

## Quick Facts: New Water Plan for the Clear River Energy Center

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### **What's changed in your water plan?**

Invenergy is proposing to become a new water customer of the City of Woonsocket. We'll be just like any other water customer – we'll use water from the city's water facility to supply our Burrillville power plant.

### **What does this mean for Woonsocket?**

We've offered to pay the city more than \$18 million over the next 20 years to become a new water customer. This is money the city could use for tax relief, to invest in schools or infrastructure, and to fund retiree pensions.

Here's how the proposed water-supply agreement breaks down:

- \$500,000/year for 20 years, escalating annually, in payments to the city's General Fund (\$14 million total)
- \$200,000/year for 20 years in PILOT payments
- \$200,000/year for 5 years, which can be used for a student's scholarship or new athletic fields
- Water payments at prevailing rate

### **What will this mean for Woonsocket water bills?**

Adding Invenergy as a water customer may actually decrease water bills for Woonsocket water users. State regulators previously mandated that Woonsocket build a new water treatment facility. With Invenergy paying more than its share as a water customer, there will be less of a burden on other water customers once the cost of building that facility is passed on to customers.

### **How will you get the water to the power plant in Burrillville?**

We're decided that the best option to transport the water to the Burrillville facility is via truck, rather than the pipeline we were previously considering. This will require only 2 or 3 trucks a day, and will be less disruptive than digging up the roads to lay 14 miles of new water pipes. We'll pay to build a water-filling station in Woonsocket, and we'll hire up to 3 new employees to operate the water trucks.

### **Does Woonsocket have enough water for this?**

On average, we would use between 15,000 and 20,000 gallons of water per day. That's less than we previously estimated needed: We've engineered a solution that significantly cuts our water usage. The City of Woonsocket has more than enough water to go around. Our use represents less than one percent of the City's available supply.

### **What kind of water is this? Some have referred to this water as "wastewater."**

We'll use potable water from Woonsocket – not wastewater.

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