



## A Clean Energy Partnership For The Future

### TMLP Enters Into Its First Large-Scale Solar Power Purchase Agreement

The Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant has entered into a Power Purchase Agreement with COX/Manheim Remarketing, Inc., an Atlanta, Georgia-based company, for the supply of power from a PhotoVoltaic facility constructed at 123 Williams Street, North Dighton. The system size is 3 Megawatts.

At a dedication and tour held on May 3 at the site of the facility, TMLP General Manager Michael Horrigan told the gathering of local and state officials this will be a critical part of TMLP's power portfolio going forward.

"We're very pleased to add this valuable resource to the TMLP power supply portfolio," stated Horrigan. "The Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant is committed to procuring renewable energy as we move forward in negotiations with several firms to purchase clean energy from various large-scale solar projects. Environmentally speaking, it's absolutely the right thing to do."

This project will provide enough power to supply 546 average-sized residential homes for 25 years, avoid approximately 1500 tons of global warming carbon dioxide emissions annually, and will also improve air quality by reducing sulfur dioxide emissions by 787 lb/yr and NOx emissions by 590 lb/yr.

Horrigan also said that "TMLP customers benefit from projects such as these through the reduction in TMLP load and resulting savings in transmission, line losses, and generation costs."

As outlined in the agreement, any upgrades to the TMLP distribution system that need to be made to accommodate any additional capacity will be paid for by Cox/Manheim.

Horrigan stated that this will be the first of several large-scale solar projects that the TMLP will be able to procure power from, always keeping in mind the best value for our customers considering price and environmental benefits.

### Not So Long Ago...

As we head into the spring and summer and the warm weather, it's hard to believe that just a few short months ago we were buried under two feet of snow from Winter Storm "Nemo." The storm brought havoc to our area with downed trees and downed power lines in most of TMLP's service territory. It was a monumental task to restore power to all of our customers, but we were up for the challenge. Our crews worked day and night and sleep was at a premium! But they got the job done in a timely and efficient fashion.

Take a look at these photos from the storm before you take that first dip in the ocean or have that first cookout...and remember when!



### Boston Strong

With the recent tragic events at the Boston Marathon, TMLP would like to send our thoughts and prayers to all the victims and their families. Also, a tremendous amount of respect and gratitude to all the first responders, medical personnel, and law enforcement who gave their all in helping everyone in need.

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## TMLP Hosts Bristol-Plymouth High School Electric Technology Group

On Tuesday, May 21, students from the Bristol-Plymouth Electric Technology Group visited the TMLP Cleary-Flood generation station for a first-hand look at the whole process of power generation and much more. The forty-four students in this group from the Electrical Shop are being trained for careers in the electrical field. The students and three instructors were invited to the plant in conjunction with the BP Technical Advisory Group, of which TMLP's Customer Care Manager Joseph Sollecito is an active member.

The Advisory Group consists of members from electric supply personnel, equipment representatives, union labor leaders, teachers, and electric utility representatives. This group meets several times a year with the goal of making sure the students are well-prepared for a career in the electrical field as an electrician, lineman, or other industry professional.

"This gives a chance for TMLP personnel to give back to the community and to share our passion for what we do to make electrical generation, transmission, and distribution a valued service," stated Sollecito. "The future labor force is coming from this younger generation, so we must inspire young people to choose a career in the electrical industry. We worked as a team between the TMLP generation and distribution groups to put together an interesting workshop for the kids."

Students enjoyed informative lectures on electrical and mechanical maintenance, power production and associated equipment operations, engineering, and other facets of what it takes to run and maintain a power generating station. They then took a plant tour to obtain a firsthand look at how it all interrelates to power production - particularly the control room. After lunch provided by TMLP, the students visited the outside "training area" where apprentice linemen were conducting training operations. They received a newfound appreciation of what it takes to climb a utility pole and construct cross arms and other associated equipment from scratch while forty feet in the air!

TMLP General Manager Michael Horrigan applauded the workshop as a first step in an electrical career. "Not only did we give the kids a look at the practical challenges of our day-to-day jobs, but we gave them a chance to ask questions about our own career paths, the challenges we face, and the training and education that is needed to succeed in our profession."

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