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## TMLP Sets Policy Committing to Non-Carbon Emitting Energy Goals

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TMLP is proud to announce that we have officially created a policy for our commitment to non-carbon emitting energy goals. On Tuesday, May 14, 2019 the TMLP Commission unanimously voted in favor of a new policy to obtain 80% of our electric power from non-carbon emitting fuel sources by 2050. This comes on the heels of implementing a new Go Green 100% program that offers customers a choice for energy through renewable options, specifically for our customers who want their electricity to come from 100% renewable energy sources.

The Massachusetts Global Warming Solutions Act of 2008 creates a framework to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) by 80% by 2050. Despite TMLP not being mandated by the state we seek to honor the spirit of this statute. This policy is in line with our mission to provide rate-payers with reliable, competitively priced services in a sustainable, environmentally-sensitive and customer-centric manner.

As a public power provider, it's our responsibility to the rate-payers to offer services that not only meet their needs in an environmentally conscious manner but also balances this with remaining competitively priced. We want to meet our 80% by 2050 goal in a way that protects our customers and keeps their service reliable. TMLP recognizes it can play a role to help in achieving the goal of a cleaner environment.

“The TMLP Commission through the implementation of this new policy is committing our resources to meet that goal. Tuesday night's meeting was a momentous occasion because we have set the TMLP's path forward for the next 30 years” said Kenneth Goulart, TMLP General Manager.

Since the mid 1990's TMLP has been progressive in participating in non-carbon emitting energy source power purchases. We offer many educational and monetary energy efficiency programs to our customers. We will also continue to offer programs that support renewable generation within our 100-square mile territory. We want our customers to know that while they are working hard to conserve energy and their carbon foot-print so is the TMLP.

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TMLP serves over 38,000 customers in Taunton, Raynham, Berkley, North Dighton and sections of Lakeville and Bridgewater.

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