



**CITY WATER LIGHT & POWER
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

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Springfield, Illinois - City Water, Light and Power (CWLP) customers can purchase locally generated solar power beginning this month through its new program, "mySolar." CWLP residential or commercial customers who want to go green can subscribe to the program online or by mail and purchase the power through their CWLP bill. There are a total of 3,700 kWh blocks of energy made available for a minimum one-year term to participating customers. Subscribers can purchase solar as many as 100 kWh blocks of their choosing at \$4.40 each until all are reserved.

The mySolar program provides CWLP customers the benefits of solar power without the up-front cost of installation or for those without the space to install their own solar panels.

CWLP customers can read more about program or sign up online at <https://www.cwlp.com/ConservationHome/ConservationInformation/MySolar.aspx>. Because there are a limited number of energy blocks available, the subscription period will close when all blocks are reserved. Requests received before January 15 that have met the requirements will be able to begin the program right away, with the first billing for the program in February. Questions may be directed to CWLP Energy Services at 789-2070 or nrgxperts@cwlp.com.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

The solar energy associated with mySolar is from a new installation, a photovoltaic (PV) array, consisting of 716 ground-mounted panels. These were commissioned and put into service in December. The installation is located behind Harrison Park subdivision, adjacent to the Sangamon Valley Trail and the utility's Washington Substation at 606 Old Tippecanoe Drive.

GRNE Solar partnered with local labor from B&B Electric to build the solar farm. Construction began November 5 and all work, including safety testing, was completed December 13. The ground-mounted PV solar array is south facing to maximize sun exposure for the site.

CWLP's electric resources encompass an 80-square-mile service territory. Its generating facilities include four coal-fired power plants; two oil-fired gas peaking turbines; a dual fuel natural gas and oil-fired combustion turbine; and this new 250 kW solar farm. For more information about CWLP and its electric division, visit www.cwlp.com.

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To schedule a time to photograph or video the solar installation, contact CWLP Energy Services, 789-2070 or nrgxperts@cwlp.com