



**NOPEC SIGNS ELECTRIC CONTRACT**  
**Electric program to be reinstated as early as August 1.**

Dear NOPEC Member Committee:

The members of Board of Directors of NOPEC are pleased to announce that NOPEC and GEXA Energy signed an agreement today to provide electricity to our member communities. The NOPEC program is expected to be reinstated as early as August 1.

GEXA Energy is part of FPL Group, Inc. (Florida Power and Light) and the agreement is the finalization of the letter of intent that was signed on September 1.

NOPEC has included all of its electric members' eligible customers in our contract with GEXA Energy.

The agreement calls for the specific NOPEC savings to be determined after the First Energy auction that will take place in May for the regular First Energy customers. It is currently projected that the savings will meet or exceed the 5% savings that NOPEC residential customers received from 2006-2008.

According to NOPEC Chairman Joseph Migliorini, "We are very pleased to have signed an agreement on behalf of all of the NOPEC communities in our nine county area, which will reinstate the savings we have enjoyed on electric generation in the past."

NOPEC, by statute, will have to provide opt-out notice to the customers in each community, to give customers an opportunity to opt-out of the program at no charge if they so desire. It is anticipated that the vast majority of the residents in Northeast Ohio will choose to remain in NOPEC for their electricity needs, as they have done in the past, as this program provides an opportunity for savings that residential customers could not otherwise receive.

According to Executive Director Leigh Herington, "We can thank the leadership of our NOPEC member communities for the efforts they put forward in helping the Governor, members of the Legislature, and the PUCO to understand the value of Governmental Aggregation and the need for its continuation in Ohio. That continuation is about to become a reality."

If you have any question about this new contract for electric supply in your community, please contact Leigh Herington at 440.248.1992.

## Testimonials, examples of government collaboration projects in Northeast Ohio

- [City of Geneva and Harpersfield Township Form Second Joint Economic Development District](#)
- [City of Kent and Franklin Township Form Joint Economic Development District](#)
- [Mahoning County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Benefits from Creative IT System Agreement](#)
- [Orville-Rittman Compact Result of Collaboration between Two Northeast Ohio School Districts](#)
- [Northeast Ohio Communities Benefit from Formation of Innovative Regional Dispatch Center](#)
- [Northeast Ohio School Districts Experience Greater Financial Stability through Suburban Healthcare Consortium](#)

### City of Kent and Franklin Township Form Joint Economic Development District

The City of Kent and Franklin Township formalized a Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) in February 2007. It was created to generate business and additional income tax revenues through cooperative promotion. This was accomplished by opening new land for development as well as expanding infrastructure in the surrounding area.

City of Kent Economic Development Director Daniel D. Smith shares his insights regarding the successful government collaboration and efficiency project:

*“The process of creating the JEDD in the City of Kent and Franklin Township began when one of the Township Trustees approached the Kent City Manager to explore the idea. The Trustee explained how a JEDD agreement could positively impact the residents by increasing income tax revenues for Township and City services and generate new business investment through the joint promotion of economic development. Because traditional annexation often resulted in conflict and because townships cannot levy an income tax, a JEDD was the alternative that would be beneficial to both entities.*”

*“At the beginning of the process the City and Township did not completely trust each other. However, after a few cups of coffee and the realization that both entities had good intentions, trust was built and working together became a natural process in the creation and administration of the JEDD. We had officials that wanted to work together to keep the project moving forward, which was extremely important to generate momentum and additional investments.*”

*“A major part of the process was petitioning the businesses and landowners to participate in the JEDD because we needed to gain their approval in order to move forward. In most cases, getting landowners to sign our petition was easy because the added water, sewer, infrastructure and promotional services a JEDD provides makes their commercial real estate more attractive and valuable. Petitioning business owners, on the other hand, was at times more challenging. Some were resistant because they didn't see how they would directly benefit from the agreement or just didn't want to get involved. It was then our job to explain how the effort would generate business and bring a greater disposable income and wealth to the entire area. A good number signed on, but some refused. An interesting element of the JEDD is the fact that once 51% of land or business owners sign on, additional business can be conscripted (forced) to*”

*participate (i.e. five businesses sign up, four can be conscripted). This was an important detail and helped us get the approval we needed.*

*“Since the implementation of the JEDD, the results have been positive. One of the primary purposes of a JEDD is to collect new income tax revenue from the jobs it creates on the land. Since 2007, our arrangement has generated \$270,550 for Franklin Township and \$330,672 for the City of Kent. The JEDD has also resulted in better cooperation between the City and Township, thereby strengthening our lines of communication. Surprisingly, this collaboration has given us the opportunity to work side by side and we have found that we work well together.*

*“Looking back on my experience, my advice for anyone considering a similar collaboration would be to define the areas that make the most practical business sense and to have unanimous political support from local officials prior to taking the initiative to the public. I don't believe it is necessary for officials to reinvent the wheel to increase efficiencies and further collaboration; our JEDD wasn't a new concept, but for us it was a tremendous solution that fit our needs. Finally, I strongly believe officials must be open-minded from the onset and realize that at first, not everyone will agree, but with effort, cooperation and patience, eventually most will come around and support the initiative.”*

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A REVISED AGENDA AND  
REPLACES THE ONE POSTED ON APRIL 8, 2009.**

**THE KENT CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
WILL HOLD ITS REGULAR MEETING  
ON MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2009 AT 3:00 P.M.  
IN THE COMMISSION OFFICE**

**Agenda**

- (1) **Civil Service Commission**  
March 10, 2009 Commission Meeting Minutes
  
- (2) **Kent City Schools**  
Custodial I Worker Appointment  
Jason Marksberry – Appointment effective March 16, 2009
  
- (3) **Safety Administration**  
Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility List Request  
Police Officer Eligibility List – posted on April 2, 2009  
119 Total Eligible Candidates  
Candidates #1 through #50 scheduled for Physical Fitness Testing  
on April 16, 2009 at Kent State University Field House  
Fire Services Specialist Examination Final Results  
Fire Services Specialist Eligibility List – posted on April 3, 2009  
Nine Total Eligible Candidates  
Detention Officer Eligibility List – posted on March 7, 2009  
27 Total Eligible Candidates  
Part-time Clerk/Dispatcher Personnel Matter  
Dana Boylan – Termination effective March 6, 2009
  
- (4) **Service Administration**  
Water Treatment Facility  
Plant Mechanic Revised Job Description Approval  
Plant Mechanic Eligibility List Request
  
- (5) **Executive Session**

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*City Manager*

**KENT HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
STATISTICAL REPORT 2009  
1st QUARTER REPORT**

	Jan 2009	Feb 2009	Mar 2009	YTD
<b>HEALTH DEPT. \$ COLLECTED</b>				
FamAbuse fund	\$363.00	\$427.50	\$436.50	\$1,227.00
Vital Stats	\$1,815.00	\$2,137.50	\$2,182.50	\$6,135.00
Child Abuse	\$726.00	\$855.00	\$873.00	\$2,454.00
State VS	\$1,210.00	\$1,425.00	\$1,455.00	\$4,090.00
B Perm Rev	\$12.50	\$15.50	\$16.00	\$44.00
B Perm State	\$62.50	\$77.50	\$80.00	\$220.00
Food Estab.	\$372.40	\$7,146.00	\$2,303.00	\$9,821.40
Food Service	\$744.80	\$29,472.00	\$5,237.00	\$35,453.80
FSO Vending	\$0.00	\$672.00	\$123.00	\$795.00
Home Sewage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Housing	\$10,200.00	\$2,555.00	\$1,705.00	\$14,460.00
Swim Pools	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SolWst(Trks)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tattoo Parlors	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
*Misc(Xerox, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21.45	\$21.45
Septic Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
**ST Subsidy	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL COLLECTED</b>	<b>\$15,606.20</b>	<b>\$44,783.00</b>	<b>\$14,432.45</b>	<b>\$74,821.65</b>
<b>TO STATE</b>				
FamAbuse fund	\$352.11	\$414.67	\$423.40	\$1,190.18
Food Estabs	\$28.00	\$756.00	\$168.00	\$952.00
Bur.Permits	\$62.50	\$77.50	\$80.00	\$220.00
Child Abuse	\$704.22	\$829.35	\$846.81	\$2,380.38
State VS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,090.00	\$4,090.00
Food Service	\$56.00	\$2,716.00	\$308.00	\$3,080.00
Food Vendors	\$0.00	\$144.00	\$24.00	\$168.00
Swim Pools	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Wells	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,202.83</b>	<b>\$4,937.52</b>	<b>\$5,940.21</b>	<b>\$12,080.56</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$14,403.37	\$39,845.48	\$8,492.24	\$62,741.09
+Admin fee to Vital Stats	\$32.67	\$38.48	\$39.29	\$110.44
-3% FamAbuse	\$10.89	\$12.83	\$13.10	\$36.82
-3% ChildAbuse	\$21.78	\$25.65	\$26.19	\$73.62



	Jan 2009	Feb 2009	Mar 2009	YTD
<b>STATISTICAL REPORT CONTINUED</b>				
<b>INSPECTIONS</b>				
Animal Bites	2	3	12	17
Complaints	44	41	41	126
Food Estabs	16	15	32	63
Food Service	54	57	84	195
FSO Vending	0	15	13	28
Home Sewage	0	0	0	0
Housing	97	122	109	328
Schools	1	2	0	3
Solid Waste	0	4	0	4
Swimming Pls	8	0	6	14
Septic Haul.	0	0	0	0
Tattoo Parlors	1	2	0	3
Other	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>781</b>
<b>PERMIT/lic.</b>				
Food Estabs	1	27	6	34
Food Service	1	97	11	109
FS Vending	0	24	4	28
Home Sewage	0	0	0	0
Housing	64	26	19	109
Solid Waste	0	0	0	0
Swim Pools	0	0	0	0
Septic Haul.	0	0	0	0
Tattoo Parlors	3	0	0	3
Other	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>283</b>
<b>MOSQ.CONT.</b>				
Sites Treat.	0	0	0	0
Adulticide	0	0	0	0
Tot Man Hrs	0	0	1	1
<b>COMPLAINTS</b>				
Received	12	21	32	65
Abated	10	18	37	65
<b>LEGAL.COMPL.</b>				
Filed	0	0	0	0
Pre-trials	0	0	0	1
Trials	0	0	0	0
<b>COMM.DISEASE</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>324</b>
<b>IMMUNIZATIONS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>BIRTH/DEATH CERTS. ISSUED</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>818</b>