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Freetown, MA - Our Town's community electricity program has posted the latest Electricity Disclosure Label, which describes the energy mix for all program options. The label can be found in the resources section on the program website [MassCEA /Freetown](#).

Freetown Community Electricity Aggregation is a program offered by the Town of Freetown to provide residents and businesses with Town-vetted options for electricity supply. Freetown Community Electricity Aggregation does not replace Eversource, the electric utility in Freetown, which continues to deliver electricity, repair any outages, and billing, so customers continue to receive one bill. The program website, [MassCEA /Freetown](#), contains a description of the program, forms, and a phone number to call with questions.

Composed of the 25 municipalities listed below, this ongoing bulk-purchasing program launched in January 2016 with the goals of providing a new level of competitive choice, long-term price stability, and reduced electricity rates for participating residents and businesses.

Disclaimer: There is no guarantee of savings under CEA as compared to your utility's basic service rate because the utility electric supply charge changes every six months for residential and small business customers and every three months for large business customers.

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Customers that receive solar electricity benefits from net metering credits, community shared solar or similar payments will continue to receive those benefits. More information about Community Shared Solar is available [here](#)!

Freetown residents are bracing for extended power outages as Karpowership, a major electricity provider in Sierra Leone, has significantly reduced its supply to the capital city. This comes after the SLPP government's outstanding debt to Karpowership reached \$46 million, with non-payment dating back to November 2023.

The reduction is drastic, with Karpowership cutting its supply from 65 MegaWatts (MW) to a mere 5 MW. This limited power will reportedly prioritize essential services, leaving many homes and businesses facing extended blackouts.

This situation evokes memories of a bygone era. Before 2007, Sierra Leone was infamous as the



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&#8220;darkest city&#8221; under President Kabbah&#8217;s administration. Residents relied heavily on generators, nicknamed &#8220;Kabba tigers,&#8221; to cope with the lack of electricity.

The restoration of electricity under President Ernest Bai Koroma in 2007 marked a significant improvement. Sadly, the progress seems to be reversing under President Bio&#8217;s leadership. His claim of &#8220;sufficient electricity generation&#8221; at the State Opening of Parliament now rings hollow, especially with the current distribution limitations.

The government&#8217;s previous assurances about the Ivory Coast electricity grid and a constant power supply now appear to be empty promises. EDSA&#8217;s (Electricity Distribution and Supply Authority) explanations of cable theft and technical issues seem further undermined by Karpowership&#8217;s direct statement regarding the debt-related reduction.

The lack of electricity will be particularly harsh given Freetown&#8217;s hot climate. Businesses and households will struggle to operate and maintain comfortable living conditions.

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