Greening Your Electricity:  
Points to Consider and Questions to Ask

Choosing a Green Power Option is Complicated

How much renewable energy do you want?  
Is promoting Local Renewable Power a priority?  
Is saving money a major driver?  
What does the fine print say?

Mass Energy Green Power

Visit www.massenergy.org to learn about their programs:  
Each program has a different charge per kilowatt-hour  
Know your monthly electricity usage, since costs are based on your usage     
Look at their FAQs  
Their website lists the projects they support

Green Power Suppliers

Price – Is the price a short-term “teaser” rate? If it’s a fixed price, how long is it valid? If it’s a variable rate, is there advance notice before the rate changes?  
Fees - Are there additional monthly fees in addition to the per kilowatt hour charge?  
Contract - Is there an automatic contract renewal? Will you be notified and have a chance to cancel?  
When a company advertises green or renewable energy, what exactly are they delivering?  
Remember that, by law, 10% of all power in Mass is renewable  
Where are the renewable energy projects they buy from?  
Suppliers (green and not) are listed at sites such as:  
www.eversource.com/nstar/CustomerCare/residential/CompetitiveSupplierAdmin/CompetitiveSuppliers

Community Solar

Are there specific plans for the solar farm in our area? When?  
Is there a deposit required for signing up? What happens to the deposit if the solar project doesn't go through?  
How long is the contract?  
How much will you save?  
What happens if you move during the term of the contract?