

**D R A F T**

**STRAW BALLOT**  
**Membership Input on the Question**  
**of Merging With, or Being Acquired by, EMERA Maine**

**DIRECTIONS:** The Board of Trustees of the Swan’s island Electric Cooperative is seeking to measure membership interest in merging with, or being acquired by, EMERA Maine. Please circle the number beside the statement below which best reflects your views. Sign the ballot at the lower right corner and print your name under your signature. Ballots which are unsigned will be discarded. The person signing the ballot must be identical to the person who is responsible for Co-Op Bill.

1. I FAVOR the Board of Trustees expending time and resources, including legal counsel, to formally explore the possibility of securing mainland electric rates for residents of Swans Island and Frenchboro through a merger with, or an acquisition by, EMERA Maine – an investor-owned utility. I understand that the membership of the Swan’s Island Electric Cooperative will have the opportunity to examine, discuss, and vote on any final agreement which might be negotiated between the Swan’s Island Electric Cooperative and EMERA Maine.
  
2. I DO NOT FAVOR the Board of Trustees expending time and resources to formally explore the possibility of securing mainland electric rates through a merger with, or an acquisition by, EMERA Maine – an investor-owned utility. I value the independence of our Electric Cooperative and believe that opportunities to deliver sustainable, affordable electric power to the residents of Swans Island and Frenchboro lie in the future and should not be traded away.
  
3. I have no opinion on this matter at the present time.

Member Signature

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Printed Name of Member

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