
Adjustments in WPCA, renewables charges

Your bill this month includes a credit reflecting a decrease in the cost of energy the cooperative buys to provide you electricity.

At the same time, we have been forced to increase the state Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency charge to cover costs of meeting the state Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard.

The Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment (WPCA) will provide a monthly rebate of \$5 per 1,000 kWh. The Renewable & EE Mandate charge will increase from 31¢ to 72¢ for residential accounts and \$1.54 to \$3.59 for commercial accounts.

If, for example, you use 1,500 kWh of electricity, you will see a \$7.50 reduction on your bill from the WPCA and an increase of 41¢ for the Renewable and EE Mandate charge, for a net credit of \$7.08.

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Hot energy saving tips

Set your thermostat to 78.

Your thermostat should be set as high as comfortably possible in the summer. For every degree change you make in the thermostat setting, you can expect at least a 3 percent cost difference.

Put your dishwasher to work.

Use your automatic dishwasher if you have one. It uses less water than washing dishes by hand. Always wash a full load, and let dishes air-dry to save even more.

Microwave or grill.

Nothing is more energy efficient for cooking than your microwave. It uses two-thirds less energy than your stove. You can also cook many meals on a grill. Your house will stay cooler, too, if you aren't using the cooktop or oven.

Pull the blinds.

Keep drapes and blinds closed to block the hot summer sun.

Make the switch to CFLs.

If you haven't done so already, switch out any incandescent light bulbs in your home with energy-saving compact fluorescent lights.
