

VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD NOTICE
2017 Energy Efficiency Charge

Since 2000, Vermont electric bills have included an Energy Efficiency Charge (EEC). Funds collected by the charge pay for energy efficiency services designed to save money by reducing Vermont's electricity needs. This notice contains the new EEC rates that take effect starting with bills sent out February 1, 2017.

The EEC pays for an organization called Efficiency Vermont to provide energy efficiency services to most of the state. For more information, including technical advice, education, rebates and other financial incentives for homes, farms and businesses, contact Efficiency Vermont toll free at 1-888-921-5990 or at www.encyvermont.com.

Energy efficiency benefits Vermont in two ways: first, using less electricity lowers the bills of individuals who take steps to reduce their power use; second, and more importantly, when statewide use goes down, it reduces electric utilities' *total* system costs, which would otherwise be paid by all electric customers through rates.

Customers of most Vermont electric utilities. Effective on February 2017 bills, the EEC rates for all customers except those of the City of Burlington Electric Department (BED) will be:

	<u>Current EEC rates</u>	<u>2017 EEC rates</u>
Residential:	\$0.01281/kilowatt hour (kWh)	\$0.01400/kWh
Commercial:		
Non-demand customers	\$0.01094/kWh	\$0.01192/kWh
Demand customers	\$0.00704/kWh plus \$1.1178/kilowatt (kW)/month	\$0.00772/kWh plus \$1.2436/kWh/month
Industrial:		
Non-demand customers	\$0.00775/kWh	\$0.00866/kWh
Demand customers	\$0.00525/kWh plus \$1.2125/kWh/month	\$0.00584/kWh plus \$1.3875/kWh/month
Street and Area Lights:	\$0.0109/kWh, determined by multiplying the light wattage by 360 hours/month	\$0.0119/kWh, determined by multiplying the light wattage by 360 hours/month

EEC rates are calculated separately for each customer group using each group's electric use and payments. Changes in usage within each group result in different percentage changes in EEC rates for different groups.

For more information about the charge, please contact your local utility or the Vermont Department of Public Service Consumer Hotline at 1-800-622-4496.