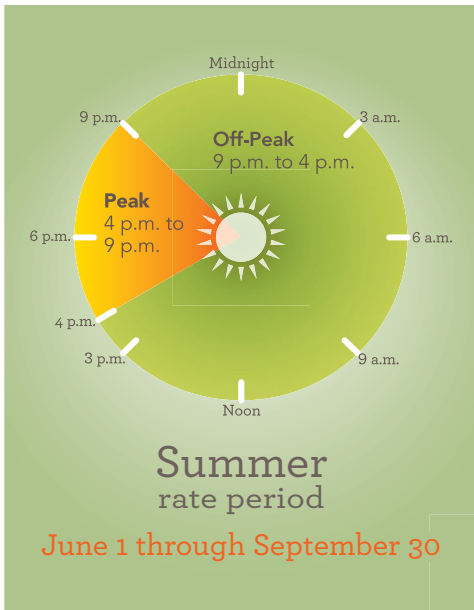


Summer shift begins June 1

Summer rates are here and run from June 1 through September 30. Rates are highest during peak hours, which are from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday to Friday. Weekends and holidays are off-peak hours. Here are some tips to help you reduce your energy usage and lower your bill during the summer.

- If possible, reduce or avoid running appliances and large equipment during peak hours.
- Consider pre-cooling your space before 4:00 p.m. and then raising your thermostat set points. The pre-cooling can help your facility stay comfortable throughout the peak period.
- SMUD measures energy usage in 15-minute intervals, so spread out or schedule equipment start times at least 15 minutes apart.



Contact your Strategic Account Advisor for more tips at smud.org/MyAdvisor. •

Make our communities Shine

Applications are now being accepted for our Shine awards.

Shine awards are competitive and funds are limited. Applicants are encouraged to apply before the deadline at **5 p.m. on Monday, July 31**. All applicants must be incorporated nonprofit organizations within SMUD's service area. To learn more, visit smud.org/Shine and register for a Shine application webinar. •



Save energy and money with an efficient HVAC system



Running your Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning (HVAC) system efficiently is an easy way to reduce your business's energy consumption, especially during the summer months when rates are higher.

Here are some quick tips to help you increase your HVAC efficiency:

- Change air filters monthly, or according to the manufacturer's recommended interval. An AC unit with dirty filters can use 5-10% more energy.
- Clean your condenser coils and evaporator coils.
- Keep vents open and air flowing. Closing doors and room vents puts extra strain on HVAC systems.
- Set your air conditioning thermostats to 78 degrees or higher. You'll save 5 -10% on cooling costs for every 2 degrees you raise the temperature.
- Use fans instead of central air conditioning whenever possible. A fan costs 90% less to operate. •



Advanced technology tools for your business

SMUD's PowerDirect program can help your business control its energy use by integrating automated response capabilities into your energy management, lighting and HVAC systems. Once the technology is installed, the systems automatically will scale back energy use when demand for energy is highest.

Reduce your energy consumption for at least 2 consecutive hours during peak hours, you'll receive an incentive of \$7.00/kWh with a 1-year commitment.

Enrollment is easy. We'll partner with you and your contractor to bring you maximum benefits. Sign up at smud.org/PowerDirect. •

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Your elected Board of Directors holds regular meetings once a month on the third Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Headquarters Auditorium. Meetings are streamed live and archived on smud.org.

Visit smud.org/Board for the latest information.

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