

Commercial customers! Check these money saving ideas

The East Grand Forks Water and Light would like to remind our commercial customers of our Commercial Energy Rebates. Below you will find a list and a short explanation of the programs that you can take advantage of. Please call Bonnie at the Business Office, 218-773-1163 if you have any questions on any of these programs.



Commercial Lighting Replacement Rebate
This program provides monetary incentive for commercial electric customers to upgrade the lighting in their facility to more energy efficient fixtures.

Commercial Weatherization Rebate
We will rebate our commercial electric customers a portion of the costs to weatherize their facility.

Motor Efficiency and VFD Rebates
These rebates will assist our commercial customers to upgrade to more efficient motors, saving them operational expenses.

Commercial Cooling Equipment Rebate
We will rebate our commercial customers

for purchasing and installing qualifying cooling equipment in new or existing buildings.

Commercial Custom Rebate
We will look at commercial energy efficient upgrades that do not fit under any of the above rebate programs and see if the project will qualify for a rebate by calculating to see how much energy the project will save.

We offer many payment options

Along with bill payments through the mail, we offer you other payment options.

Automatic withdrawal works like this: With your permission, we notify the bank of what you owe us monthly. The bank will withdraw that amount out of your account. You receive your regular bill so you have a payment and usage record. Please come into our office to set this up.

You can also drop by our office in city hall to pay your bill, or drop it into one of three drop boxes: at City Hall, the East Grand Forks Hugo's or the Senior Center parking lot.

Our office accepts credit card payments with VISA and MASTERCARD and you can also go online to www.waterandlight.info and click on Make A Payment to make your payments online.

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Summer is the time for energy efficiency improvements

What better time to improve the energy efficiency of your home or business than summer? For more information, read on!

A good place to start is with your central air conditioner. Central air conditioners should be checked and cleaned on a regular basis in order for them to run efficiently. The East Grand Forks Water and Light helps our customers by offering an Air Conditioner Tune-Up Rebate. Our customers can receive up to a \$60.00 rebate when they have their central air conditioner tuned up by a licensed and insured heating/cooling contractor.



Applications must be filled out and signed by the Air Conditioning Technician, so obtain your application before the tune-up is performed by going to our website at www.waterandlight.info or come into our office at 600 Demers Ave to pick up your application.

Residential rebate program helps pay for building improvements

The East Grand Forks Water & Light helps its customers with energy efficiency improvements by offering a rebate up to \$500 through its Residential Weatherization Rebate Program. Some improvements that qualify are:



- Adding insulation to attics and walls
- Caulking and weather stripping
- Replacing exterior doors or windows with ENERGY STAR® qualified models.

Some requirements for this program are:

- A building permit is required
- If you want to be rebated for the labor on your project, you must use a Minnesota Licensed Contractor or a contractor working under an exemption from the state of Minnesota.

If you would like help deciding what energy improvements would be most effective in your home, we also have our HOME ENERGY AUDIT program. The Water and Light will subsidize the cost of an energy auditor to come into your home and show you what energy improvements would be most helpful.

Free efficiency upgrades offered to electric water heater owners

If you are a customer of the East Grand Forks Water and Light and have an ELECTRIC WATER HEATER, we have a new program for you called our Direct Install Program. With this program, we are offering the installation of energy-saving items in your home free of charge.



Below, are the energy saving items that are available to be installed and how much energy and money you can save.

Estimated Annual Savings

	kWh Savings (per unit)	0.08 per kWh
CFL bulbs (6 bulbs)	43	\$20.64
Kitchen aerators	191	\$15.28
Bath aerators	191	\$15.28
Showerheads	468	\$37.44
Water heater turndown	758	\$60.64
Total Savings	1,651	\$149.28

Tri-Valley Opportunity Council is helping us administer this program, so if you have an Electric Water Heater and are interested, please call Tina at Tri-Valley @ 1-800-584-7020 Ext. 2026 to set up an appointment for a representative to come to your home and make these installations.

Earn significant bill credits by signing-up for load management

Water Heater Control = \$6.00 Monthly Credit

If you have an electric water heater and it is over 40 gallons, you can sign up for our Water Heater Control Program. We will install a controller on your water heater and it will be cycled off and on during peak times. We will give you a \$6.00 credit on your utility bill each month for this program.

Central Air Conditioner Control = \$6.00 Monthly Credit

You can also have your Air Conditioner controlled and we will give you a \$6.00 credit on your utility bill for the **4 summer months**. We will install a controller on your Central Air Conditioner and it will cycle off and on during peak times. Call the Business Office for more information on either of these programs at 218-773-1163.

Call 8-1-1 before you dig

If you are planning to dig on your property, state law requires that you call Gopher State One Call at least two (2) business days in advance. This free service ensures underground utility lines are marked with color-coded paint or flags. Hand digging is required within two feet either side of the utility markings. Call 1-800-252-1166 or 811.