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TAKE A LOAD OFF!

CGEMC'S Load Management Program

You can

receive up to a

\$30 electric bill

Central Georgia EMC's Load Management program, The Switch, is your silent partner in keeping down the cost of electricity. Since the load management program monitors the electric load on the entire system, the goal is to reduce electric consumption only during peak use times.

Weather is a big factor in Load Management programs. Peak electrical use times occur on the hottest days during the summer. Periods of peak energy use correspond with the times when wholesale electricity costs are high. By reducing energy consumption during this time, you help reduce costs—for yourself and CGEMC.

The Load Management season will run in the summer during June, July, and August. The control periods generally occur just a few days during Load Management season, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

Peak alerts generally occur on the warmest summer afternoons, usually between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. The Switch indicates a load control period when the red LED lights are illuminated on The Switch.

When you choose to participate in the Load Management Switch program, CGEMC will install a switch that communicates with your water heater and central air conditioner during these peak demand times. The Switch turns off your water heater for up to five hours and cycles off your central air conditioner compressor for 7 ½ minutes out of every half-hour.

Participants in the Load Management program will receive an annual credit of \$10 for the water heater switch and \$20 for the central air-conditioner switch—a maximum of \$30 per metered residence.

The switches are installed and maintained by CGEMC, at no cost to you. For more information or to sign up, please call us at 770-775-7857 or 800-222-4877, or email us at csr@cgemc.com.

*Water heaters must be electric and a minimum of 50 gallon capacity.



CUSTOMERS DUE REFUNDS

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Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Your home works hard for you. Consider giving your home an energy checkup. CGEMC has a professional energy auditor who can diagnose where your house could be losing energy and where you can start saving money. Energy auditors check for air leaks, inspect insulation, survey heating and cooling equipment—and more. After making efficiency upgrades, you could save 5 to 30 percent on your energy bills!

—Source: U.S. Department of Energy

CENTRAL GEORGIA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION ANNOUNCES ITS UNCLAIMED CAPITAL CREDIT CHECKS FOR 2009

In compliance with O.C.G.A. § 44-12-236 of the Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act, Central Georgia EMC is attempting to locate former members whose capital credit checks were issued in 2009, but have been returned by the U.S. Postal Service as "undeliverable" or have otherwise been unclaimed.

A list indicating the names of these former members can be found by visiting our website, *www.cgemc.com*, or by viewing the list at our office, located at 923 S. Mulberry St., Jackson, GA 30233. If you know the correct address of these individuals or have any helpful information, please contact our office, or notify the person to contact us as soon as possible by calling 770-775-7857 or 800-222-4877.

The last possible date to claim these funds is August 28, 2015. If not claimed by this date, they will be designated for charitable uses, as permitted by O.C.G.A. § 44-12-236.



Earth Day

Come celebrate Earth Day on Wednesday, April 22, 2015. Each member who visits our office that day will receive a compact fluorescent lightbulb and information about increasing the energy efficiency of your home. The give-away starts at 8 a.m. and ends when our supply is depleted.



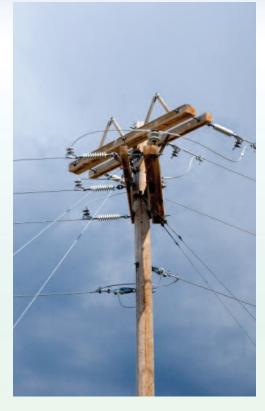
Smart Grid Upgrade

Central Georgia EMC recently completed a three-year smart grid upgrade to our distribution system with the implementation of Fault Detection Isolation Restoration (FDIR) software. With FDIR, CGEMC expects to reduce both the size of outages and restoration times. FDIR uses electronic reclosers (specialized power system switches) and communication networks to automatically sense a fault, isolate power-line

damage, and restore service to as many customers as quickly as possible.

Most overhead power line faults are temporary (i.e., caused by severe weather) and reclosers can automatically restore power within seconds. However, some faults are permanent and require a technician or lineman to clear the trouble or make repairs. The goal of the FDIR project is to reduce the amount of customers affected during an outage when repairs are required.

The workhorse platform for the success of the FDIR project is the CGEMC SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) system. This software tool allows dispatchers and technicians to utilize communication networks to observe the power system and control apparatus such as reclosers and capacitors. This system allows us to:



- Centrally monitor and control the power system status (i.e., open or closed, energized or de-energized)
- Centrally monitor distribution network power flow
- Centrally monitor and report actions performed in the field
- Remotely collect apparatus operational and performance data
- Remotely collect power system event diagnostics
- Remotely program power system apparatus

We actually monitor almost 1,000 devices on the CGEMC distribution network via the SCADA system.

Holiday Notice

The Central Georgia EMC office will be closed Friday, April 3, 2015. In the event of a power outage, please call our 24-hour automated system at 770-775-7857 or 800-222-4877 for an immediate response. System operators are on duty to assist you.





Buttermilk Custard Pie *From the kitchen of*

Fave Boynton



Ingredients:

- 1 ½ cups granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons plain flour
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine, cooled
- 1 teaspoon lemon flavoring (can substitute banana flavoring)
- 1 cup (whole milk) buttermilk
- 1 unbaked deep-dish pie shell; set aside

Directions:

Mix all ingredients together thoroughly in a bowl. Pour mixture into an unbaked pie shell. Bake at 350 degrees approximately 25 minutes. Can add blueberry topping or your own favorite topping. Serve hot or cold.



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Unclaimed Property

The following names have outstanding credit balances as of June 30, 2010, with Central Georgia EMC. If you know any of these people listed, or their heirs, please have them contact our office during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 770-775-7857 or 1-800-222-4877. Unclaimed property will be sent to the state of Georgia.

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Is It Time to Upgrade Your HVAC?

As much as half of the energy used in your home goes to heating and cooling. So making smart decisions about your home's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system can have a big effect on your utility bills and your comfort. Members who replace their current HVAC system with a more efficient heat pump system are eligible for a rebate.



Heat Pump Rebates

- Air source heat pump (16 SEER or greater), \$200
- Geothermal heat pump, \$250 per ton (up to 3 tons)
- Conversion from gas to electric air source heat pump (16 SEER or above),
 \$350

For more information regarding our 2015 Heat Pump Rebate program, visit our website at *www.cgemc.com/hvac-rebates/* or request the information to be mailed at 770-775-7857 or 800-222-4877.