

NEWSLETTER



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\$\$\$SAVINGS REPORTS\$\$\$



2015

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As a cost savings initiative the Energy Cooperative of America has decided to eliminate the distribution of the monthly savings reports. We will realize a savings in paper, postage and manpower.

We will be providing Annual Savings reports to all members.

Any commercial customer that is interested in obtaining a savings report may contact us at anytime and we will be happy to accommodate your request.

Residential customers may access a cost comparison tool on the utilities website.

Listed below are the links to the cost comparison tool via the utility website:

National Grid— <https://www1.nationalgridus.com/StateLandingNY>

National Fuel— <https://acctsvcs.nationalfuelgas.com/HistRateCompUnauth.aspx>

NYSEG & RGE—access account management through the utility website. Then choose the compare your supply costs tab to obtain your comparison.

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

The United States Post Office has informed the Energy Cooperative of America that 1st Class Mail delivery will now take 2 to 3 days to deliver. Please plan accordingly to avoid finance charges. Please mail your payments to us at PO Box 925 Amherst, New York 14226.

For your convenience we are able to email your invoices directly to you. We also offer direct debit payment via your checking account on the invoice due date. If you are interested in either of these services please contact Margie at 716-580-3506 extension 210 or mcastillo@ecamerica.org

Energy Cooperative of America



Did You Know We are in the Following Service Territories

No matter where your business address is located in the state of New York and Pennsylvania, ECA has you covered with natural gas and electricity buying power. Here is a list of the utilities we service:

National Fuel Gas	Con Edison	West Penn Power
National Grid	Metropolitan Edison	Penelec
New York State Electric & Gas	PPL	
Rochester Gas & Electric	PECO	

Polar Vortex and Electric Prices

Polar Vortex is a large pocket of very cold air, typically the coldest air in the Northern hemisphere, which sits over the polar region during the winter season. Well the year of 2014 the dreaded Polar Vortex put the North East and other areas into a deep freeze for the first three months of the year. This resulted in New York and Pennsylvania Winter peak usage records and put a strain on gas pipelines to deliver natural gas. The electric commodity markets became extremely volatile, driving electricity supply prices over the \$0.10 per kWh this period.

This past summer and fall the temps were average with no major heat waves in July and August. The actual summer peak usage day was September 2nd which is usually in July or August. Electric prices since the spring have been very reasonable, averaging between four to five cents.

Currently, half way thru this winter season we are far ahead on natural gas storage levels and feeling normal winter temperatures. Natural gas is trading below \$3 and electric prices are back to historical January prices. We feel confident that you will not experience the POLAR Vortex pricing we saw last winter. The future markets for both natural gas and electric are looking reasonable for the remainder of 2015.

New York is ranked 2nd among the 50 states in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Investment



The Energy Cooperative is proud to offer our customers the option of renewable energy.

Our renewable portfolio is comprised of wind power, hydro and bio mass gas.

Currently we are servicing 1,104 business and residential customers with renewable energy.

The New York State Public Service Commission will be issuing our 2013 Environment Label by April 2015.

If you are interested in obtaining this environmentally friendly energy source you may contact our marketing department at info@ecamerica.org or 1-800-422-1475.

There is a premium of 1 cent per Kwh to purchase renewable energy

2015 Annual Board Meeting

The Energy Cooperative of America held its Annual Board Meeting in November. Board Members Michael Boyd, Lou Terragnoli and John Marsh were re-elected to a three year term. The 2015 Annual meeting will be held on Friday, November 20, 2015.