Halton Hills Hydro Spring 2010



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Providing Halton Hills with Electricity Distribution Excellence in a Safe and Reliable Manner

energy tacts Understanding your Residential Electricity Bill

The price for electricity changed on May 1st 2010

Regulated Price Plan

If you have a contract with an Electricity Retailer

Electricity Contract Price as determined

by your electricity service provider

Electricity Charge

The cost of electricity supplied to you during this billing period.

Rates set by the Ontario Energy Board 6.5 cents/kWh for 1st 600 kWh/mth 7.5 cents/kWh for usage above 600 kWh/mth

Delivery Charges

The cost to deliver the electricity from generating stations across provincial transmission lines and through Halton Hills Hydro's distribution system to your home. Rates are set by Halton Hills Hydro and Hydro One and approved by the Ontario Energy Board.

Monthly Service Charge Distribution Charge Transmission Network Charge Transmission Connection Charge

Regulatory Charges

The cost of administering the wholesale electricity system, maintaining the reliability of the provincial grid, and conservation programs. Rates set by the Provincial Independent Electricity System Operator.

Standard Supply Charge Market Service Charge Provincial Benefit

\$0.25/month \$.006873/kWh N/A

\$13.92/month

\$0.0145/kWh

\$0.0049/kWh

\$0.0040/kWh

N/A \$.006873/kWh Changes monthly (Could be a credit or a charge)

Debt Retirement Charge

The cost of paying down the former Ontario Hydro debt. Rate set by the Ontario Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure.

\$0.0070/kWh

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\$13.92/month

\$0.0158/kWh

\$0.0049/kWh

\$0.0040/kWh

Detailed definitions of these terms are provided on the back of your bill. For a complete list of approved rates for all customer classes and other specific service charges, please visit our website at www.haltonhillshydro.com or call 519-853-3701.



On July 1st Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) is Coming

The Province of Ontario will implement the HST and your electricity bill will be subject to the new 13% tax which replaces the GST.

What You can do...

1. Take the Power Pledge



Take one or more of the following actions

- I will reduce Phantom Power
- I plan to buy ENERGY STAR® lighting, fixtures and/or appliances this year
- I will become laundry smart
- I will undertake a Home Energy Audit and follow as many of the recommendations as possible
- I will get rid of my old energy-guzzling fridge or freezer
- I will make my home heating and cooling system work more efficiently

Help Halton Hills win the Community Challenge on Wednesday, August 11th 2010

Take the Power Pledge at www.haltonhillshydro.com Then, reduce your electricity as much as possible on Challenge Day

2. Invest in **Renewable Energy**

Renewable energy generation such as solar or wind can qualify for exciting price incentives through the new Feed-in-Tariff program. Visit the Ontario Power Authority website to learn more at microfit.powerauthority.on.ca



3. Conserve Electricity





Peak Saver

Just 1 or 2 degrees will help out. Joining the peaksaver program means you can help reduce the demand for electricity in your community, and you'll feel great knowing you're doing something good for the environment. Let us install a programmable thermostat that will allow us to cycle down your air conditioner during peak demand periods and receive a **\$25 rebate.** Find out more at www.haltonhillshydro.com.

The Great Refrigerator Roundup

If you have an electricity-guzzling fridge that's fifteen years old or more, you can get rid of it the easy way and save between \$120-\$150 per year. We'll come into your home, take it away for free and recycle it - ensuring that it will never guzzle electricity again. Book online today at everykilowattcounts.ca or call 1-877-797-9473



Smart Meters and Time of Use

Over 16,000 smart meters have been installed in Halton Hills. When the system is fully operational, you will be able to analyze your own energy use patterns. When Time of Use rates take effect, you will pay different prices depending on the time of day and day of the week that you use electricity. We will be providing you with detailed Time of Use information prior to making any changes to the way you are billed.

Time of Use prices are not yet in effect in Halton Hills. They will be introduced late 2010 or early 2011.







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