



Electric Bill Breakdown

Understanding Your Electric Bill



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Bill for: JOHN SMITH
123 MAIN ST
NEW TOWN PA 12345

Billing Period: Jan 20 to Feb 17, 2010 for 29 days
Next Reading Date: On or about Mar 17, 2010
Bill Based On: Actual Meter Reading

Standard Residential

Charges from Penelec this billing period

When contacting an Electric Generation Supplier, please provide the customer numbers below.
Call Penelec at 1-800-545-7741 with questions on these charges.

Basic Charges

Customer Number: 888888888 0006497384 - Standard Residential - PN-RSD

Distribution		Customer Charge	7.98	
	1,539 KWH	x 0.039792	61.24	
Total Distribution Charges			69.22	69.22
Consumer Education Charge	1,539 KWH	x 0.000120		0.18
Generation	1,539 KWH	x 0.050120		77.13
Transmission	1,539 KWH	x 0.006960		10.71
State Tax Surcharge			-0.07	
			-0.09	
Total State Tax Surcharge Charges			-0.16	-0.16
Late payment charge				2.72
Total Charges				\$ 159.80

Number used to enroll online with TriEagle

You choose the supplier/cost

Unchanged - if using competitive supplier this is rolled into generation

Your current **PRICE TO COMPARE** for generation and transmission from Penelec is listed below. For you to save, a supplier's price must be lower.

Standard Residential - 0006497384

5.70 cents per kWh

Customer reserves the right to shop for an electric supplier.

Remains regulated by PUC

Distribution Charge - Charges for the use of local wires, transformers, substations, and other equipment used to deliver electricity to end-use consumers from the high voltage transmission lines.

Customer Charge - A monthly basic distribution charge to cover costs for billing, meter reading, equipment, maintenance, and advanced metering when in use.

State Tax Adjustment Surcharge - A charge, or a credit, or electric rates to reflect changes in various state taxes included in your bill. The surcharge may vary by bill component.

Consumer Education Charge - A monthly charge for ongoing consumer education concerning your bill, shopping for electricity, energy efficiency and conservation.

Transmission Charge - Charges for moving high voltage electricity from a generation facility to the distribution lines of an electric distribution company. Based on federally regulated charges.

Generation Charge - Charges for the production electricity.

KWH - (Kilowatt-hour) - The basic unit of electric energy for which most customers are charged. The amount of electricity used by ten 100-watt lights left on for 1 hour. Customers are usually charged for electricity in cents per kilowatt-hour.

RSD - The rate for service to a private home.

Choosing a competitive supplier for your electric generation

Electric customers in Pennsylvania were among the very first in the United States to have the ability to choose the company that supplies their electricity. You may be able to choose your electric generation supplier (EGS) in areas where competitive electricity supplies are being offered. Consumers may be able to secure supply rates below the prices offered by their utility. Generation supply costs comprise the majority of the average electric bill. Consumers are encouraged to proactively engage competitive suppliers – whose price is unregulated by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) – to obtain pricing information for the generation portion of their bill. Competitive offers may not be available in all areas.

Why should I shop for electricity?

Just like you would shop for any household item, you can shop for your electricity to find the best deal and the best service for you needs. Remember, saving just one cent per kWh could translate into more than \$100 a year in savings, depending on usage. Competitive offers may not be available in all areas. Log onto www.PAPowerSwitch.com to learn about suppliers in your area.

I participated in a pre-pay program with my utility, but would like to choose another supplier. What happens to my money?

The money that you deposited in a pre-pay plan and any interest will be applied to your account, no matter who supplies your electricity. Penelec offers 7.5% interest on pre-pay amounts. It's not too late to sign up.

Will I still be able to take advantage of "budget billing"?

Yes – Be sure to tell the competitive supplier that you want budget billing, which allows you to pay a "fixed amount" each month, providing certainty in your bills. Budget billing averages bills out over 12 months, but does not guarantee an annual fixed rate as budget bills are subject to quarterly adjustments based on usage.

What is the "price to compare"?

The price to compare (PTC) is the price per kilowatt hour (kWh) your electric distribution company will charge. When asked, the competitive supplier also will provide you with a PTC, allowing you to make an apples-to-apples comparison on price for the generation portion of your bill. Be sure to ask how long the price is effective and verify if taxes or other fees are included in the PTC.

My utility company has always been a good company. Why should I switch now?

Penelec does not care if you choose a competitive supplier and is encouraging its customers to shop around. Penelec will continue to deliver your electricity, provide reliable service and respond to outage problems. The quality, reliability, and maintenance of your electric service should not change as it is still monitored by the Commission. You may be able to save money with a competitive supplier or you can stay with Penelec. It's your choice.

For further information, contact the Public Utility Commission:

Write

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Commission Bureau
of Consumer Services
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

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1-800-692-7380
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or hearing loss, dial 7-1-1
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