UNDERSTANDING YOUR CLP ELECTRIC BILL



Understanding your electric bill and how to get the most out of your energy dollar. The most significant portion of your electricity usage includes heating, cooling, refrigerators/freezers, water heating, and lighting.

This document is designed to give you a better understanding of your CLP electric bill. If you have any further questions about your electric bill or energy use, please call our billing department at 218.834.2226 or 800.580.5881.



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MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 25TH!

3 **YOUR BILL IS \$279.00** Customer Name: JOHN DOE Previous Balance 364.00 -364.00 Payment(s) - Thank you **Electric Charges** 311.40 Other Charges -32.40 279.00 Amount Due 2 Voting District

4 NOTES

APRIL PCA .03 X KWH
TO REPORT AN OUTAGE CALL 1-800-927-5550
RETURN PAYMENTS WILL RECEIVE A \$30 FEE

METER SERVICE PREVIOUS READING **CURRENT READING** MULTIPLIER DAYS USAGE **CHARGE DESCRIPTION ELECTRIC RES** 6 Meter#99999999 02/28/2022 03/31/2022 31 Days Kwh X .10517 58336 58873 537 56.48 30.00 10 Base Charge Pca/Kwh Chg 16.11 12 **ACCOUNT SUMMARY** 1000 800 50 40 600 Comparing Your Monthly Use 30 400 kWh Avg kWh/Day 20 Days Cost/Day 200 Current Billing 31 537 17.32 3.55 Previous Billing 28 426 15.21 3.36 04/21 05/21 06/21 07/21 08/21 09/21 10/21 11/21 12/21 01/22 02/22 03/22 04/22 Last Year Billing 31 459 14.81 3.12 Usage Temperature

Please return this portion with your payment.



Cooperative Light and Power 1554 Highway 2 PO Box 69 Two Harbors, MN 55616 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 123456
STATEMENT DATE: 04/07/2022
AMOUNT DUE BY: 04/25/2022

AMOUNT DUE: \$279.00

Paid By Bank



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16 Sales Tax								7.56
			Recipe Credit Capital Credit		17 Total For: 1	234 MAIN ST		311.40 -10.00 -22.40
					Other Char	ges Total:		-32.40

PAYMENT OPTIONS

COOPERATIVE LIGHT & POWER



Mailing Address:

PO BOX 69, TWO HARBORS, MN 55616

• ACH (Automatic Clearing House)
Free Bank Draft Services



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• Pay at <u>www.clpower.com</u>



• Mobile App - Coop Light & Power

Please Visit Us Online





- This box includes your personal six-digit account number, your name, statement date, and the due date.
- Each month, the Member Message box is where we include important messages for our members.
- 3 You will find the bill total in this box. It also shows your previous balance, previous payment, the current month's electric charges, and the amount due.
- The Notes box will tell you the current Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) rate, the number to call if you experience an outage, and the fee charged if a payment is returned on your account.
- This is where you find your meter number and the rate you are charged for the meter. If you have additional meters, they will be broken out individually with their own graphs and summary. One meter will display on the first page, and if there are multiple meters, they will move to the second page and on.
- This is where you will find your previous reading, your current reading, and the dates the readings took place.
- This is the multiplier on your account. Residential and Seasonal members will usually only have a multiplier of 1. Commercial and Large Power members may have a multiplier other than 1 on their account.
- B The number of days you were billed and the total usage.
- The amount you are charged for your kWhs used. The kWh rate times your usage equals usage billed.
- The Base Charge is the minimum monthly fee billed to the member to cover the cost of connection to our system.

- The Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) charge is an adjustment to your bill each month that reflects the fluctuation in the cost of power purchased from our provider, Great River Energy. The PCA is calculated by multiplying the PCA rate by your usage.
- The Account Summary box shows the usage and average cost for the current month, previous month, and previous year. This is beneficial because you are able to see if your usage in the prior month and year is in comparison to the current usage.
- The graph shows you each month's usage. Your current month will be in orange. The left vertical side represents the usage, the right vertical side represents the temperature, and the bottom line lists the months.
- The Amount Due box shows your account number, statement date, due date, and amount due. If you are on budget billing, have a credit on your account, or if your account is set up on auto-pay via your credit card or bank account this will also show up in this box.
- Round-Up is an optional program that allows CLP to round up your electric bill to the nearest dollar. The money collected goes into a fund that grants money to local non-profit organizations twice a year.
- 16 The sales tax you were charged.
- This is where you will find the total for your location. If you have multiple locations, they will be broken out individually.
- If there are any adjustments made to your bill, this is where you will see them. Depending on the adjustment, it could read "Other Charges Total," "Adjustment Total,", or something along those lines. This is not the dollar amount of your bill. You will find the total due for your account on the front page of your statement.

Payment options:

CLP has many convenient ways our members can pay their bills.

- 1. Mail mail your check with your remittance slip each month.
- 2. **Dropbox** There is a dropbox located in our parking area that allows you to drop your payment off without getting out of your vehicle. We also have a second dropbox located at the Super One in Two Harbors that is located by the ATM machine. Please do not leave cash.
- 3. AutoPay You are able to pay via automatic bank withdrawal (ACH) or automatic credit card payment. ACH payments are taken on the 25th of each month; credit card payments are taken between the 8th and 10th of each month. Forms are available in the CLP office, or you can find the form online at clpower.com. There are no fees associated with paying either by ACH or credit card. If you sign-up for automtic bank withdrawl, you will recieve a one-time credit of \$10 on your electric bill.
- 4. Pay in the office you can drop the payment and remittance slip off in the office during regular business hours.
- 5. **Online** You can pay online by creating an account at clpower.com. To assure your account gets setup correctly, you will need to know your account number. The phone numbers and email address on your account will need to match the information you are using to set the online account up. On the bottom portion of your statement's 2nd page, you will see more information on payment options. Call the office if you are unsure of what to use, and we will be happy to assist you.

Budget Billing:

Budget billing allows our members to pay the same amount each month. We calculate the budget amount by dividing the last 12 months bill totals by 12.

August is our true-up month. Your August statement will show the true balance of your account, and you will zero out your account that month. September is the month the budgets will start over. Accounts must be paid in full before being set back up on budget billing. In September, each budget billing member's amount will be recalculated with the most recent 12 months' information, and restarted. If you wish to cancel your budget billing, you must contact the CLP Billing Department. Please call the CLP office. If you have questions regarding your budget billing or want more information on budget billing.

Seasons and events that can affect your bill:

- Our members will usually see a rise in their bills in the winter months because the heat gets turned on. Other things that affect the usage include but are not limited to humidifiers, heat tape, plugging your vehicle's block heater in, live stock water tank heaters, and space heaters.
- ▶ We also like to remind our members that as the days are darker longer in the winter, lights tend to be on longer during the day than in the summer months.
- In the summer, many members have A/C units, central air, dehumidifiers, and fans running, which will increase the usage during warmer months.
- If you host holidays at your house and/or entertain, you could also see your usage increase since there are more people in your home than normal.
- Appliances that don't necessarily need to be plugged in at all times may be generating usage. You may also want to check the age and condition of your appliances, such as your fridge, freezer, dishwasher, and stove.
- One more thing to remember is to turn the lights off. It is easy to walk out of a room or the house and forget there are lights on. Take an extra 5 seconds before leaving a room to shut the light off, or an extra 3 minutes to do a quick sweep of the house before leaving to turn everything off.