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## Energy Savings Days

From June through September, smart meter customers will have the opportunity to earn bill credits for reducing their energy use on designated Energy Savings Days. Last summer, nearly 1 million BGE customers reduced their energy use and earned more than \$32 million in bill credits. Energy Savings Days are typically very hot summer weekdays when the demand for electricity is expected to be particularly high. BGE schedules Energy Saving Days when homes and businesses are both using higher amounts of electricity. There could be up to six Energy Savings Days each summer. To ensure you receive advance notification of an Energy Savings Day, sign up for phone, email or text alerts through **BGE.COM/MyAccount**. To learn more about Energy Savings Days, visit **BGE.COM/EnergySavingsDays**.

### HERE'S HOW IT WORKS



### we'll notify you

BGE will notify you by phone, email or text, usually the day before an Energy Savings Day.

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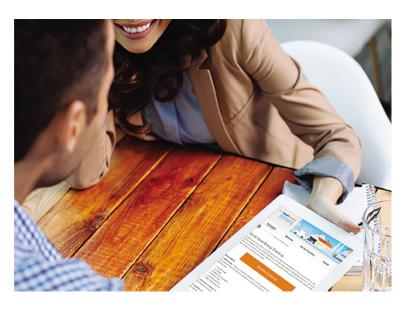
### reduce your use

Energy Savings Days typically occur between 1 pm – 7 pm. Take actions to use less electricity and save. For energy savings tips, visit **BGE.COM/EnergySavingsDayTips**.



#### earn rewards

Within a few days, we'll notify you to let you know how much you saved. You'll earn bill credits of \$1.25 for every kilowatt-hour saved compared to your typical usage on recent days with similar weather. Your credits will appear on your next bill.



## Here's a quick way to save

Want a quick and easy way to increase the energy efficiency of your home and help you start saving immediately? Schedule a Quick Home Energy Check-up. In about an hour, a trained Check-up professional will walk through your home and identify ways you can reduce energy use and save money. Your Check-up professional also will provide and install up to 15 energysaving items like LEDs at no additional cost. Visit **BGESmartEnergy.com/SENQHEC** to schedule your Check-up!

EmPOWER Maryland programs are funded by a charge on your energy bill. EmPOWER programs can help you reduce your energy consumption and save you money. To learn more about EmPOWER and how you can participate, go to **BGESmartEnergy.com**.

## Save energy & money all summer



### MAINTAIN YOUR A/C SYSTEM

Most of your warm weather energy expenses are directly related to cooling your home. Schedule regular maintenance to keep your system running at peak efficiency.

### **USE My Account ONLINE TOOLS**

Your BGE online account provides the tools you need to track your energy usage in near-real time. Compare energy usage trends, measure results of energy-saving practices, and set alerts to let you know when energy usage is trending high.



#### **REDUCE HOT WATER USAGE**

Water heating accounts for about 18% of home energy consumption. Reduce hot water usage by installing faucet aerators and efficient flow showerheads and adjusting your hot water heater to 120°F, or the low setting.



### USE A PROGRAMMABLE THERMOSTAT

Save about \$180 per year in energy costs by using a programmable thermostat to automatically adjust your temperature settings. Take advantage of savings when you're sleeping or not at home.

Visit BGE.COM/Save for more energy and money-saving tips.



### National Volunteer Month

Through the employee volunteer network *Powering Communities* BGE employees lend their time and talent to nonprofit organizations that support community development, education, the environment and celebrate arts and culture. In support of National Volunteer Month, BGE organized more than 50 community service projects for the company's 3,200 employees, family members and friends to participate in throughout April.



### Nautical knowledge

National Safe Boating Week is scheduled each year as the first full week before Memorial Day weekend. Please remain safe this season with these helpful power line safety tips for boaters:

- > Be sure to avoid power lines when you are towing or storing your boat.
- > Before your trip, make sure you know exactly how much overhead space your boat requires.
- Look up before you launch and use a spotter to make sure your boat clears any obstacles, including overhead power lines. Even on land, your boat can get caught in overhead power lines.
- Check the clearances listed on nautical charts as you approach any overhead power lines. Don't forget to add the extended height of any mast-mounted equipment or antennas.
- > Check the clearances before you raise or lower your mast.
- > Approach all overhead power lines with caution, and make sure flags and antennas are folded down.
- > Look for warning signs that indicate underwater electrical cables and never anchor your boat near them.