Time-of-Use

California leads the nation in generating clean, renewable energy from sources such as wind and solar. Soon, many of California's energy customers will be moving to a Time-of-Use electric rate plan that supports the state’s ongoing commitment to clean energy.

The main difference with Time-of-Use rate plans is that when you use electricity is as important as how much you use.

You’ll benefit from lower electricity pricing during most of the day when energy demand is lower and when renewable resources are most plentiful. And electricity prices will be higher for five hours in the late afternoon and evening when demand for electricity is generally higher.

If you can make small changes, like running the dishwasher or doing laundry during lower-priced times of day, you may be able to benefit from a Time-of-Use rate plan.

Together, we can build a better energy future and healthier environment for California, without sacrificing comfort, simply by shifting some usage away from high-demand times, all while receiving cleaner and more reliable energy.

You can learn more about your rate plan options and pick one that works best for your household.

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Audio Description:

This video shows how the PG&E Time-of-Use rate plan benefits both customers and the environment. We begin with a long view of solar panels and wind turbines in the California countryside. Then we hear an overview of how Time-of-Use rates work, with scenes contrasting the lower demand for electricity during the daytime with the higher demand for electricity in the late afternoon and evening. That’s when people get home from work and start turning on lights, running appliances, and flipping on entertainment systems. We see some examples of electricity-using activities like running the dishwasher and washing machine that can be moved to lower-priced times of day, which helps move us towards a cleaner energy future for California. The closing graphic reads: learn more at pge.com/ratesinfo.