Summer is here, and customers are using their air conditioners more as the temperatures rise, which increases energy bills. Here are some ways to reduce usage. Set the thermostat at 78 degrees. Every degree above 78 represents a 2% savings on cooling costs.

Cool down with a fan, which will help you raise the temperature on the thermostat a few degrees. And for all customers, including those without an air conditioner, turn off the fan when leaving the room. Seal cracks to prevent warm air from leaking into the home and remember to close those window coverings. For more tips log on to pge.com/summer.