

ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR YOUR BUSINESS



Improve your bottom line

East Central Energy can help your business select the most efficient energy systems. There are many ways you can save on energy costs with our wide selection of customizable programs and receive great rebates and incentives. Below you will find a summary of the programs that are designed especially for businesses like yours. Don't hesitate to contact one of our energy experts to help you identify a program that will work for you and your business.

Lighting

Did you know lighting often accounts for over 40% of your energy bill? Improved technology in today's lighting products has increased lighting system efficiency. This is good news for your business, resulting in reduced operating and maintenance costs. Lighting system paybacks often range from one to four years. Rebates are available through East Central Energy for new and retrofit lighting projects.

New and Retrofit Premium Efficiency Motors/ASDs

You likely have various motors in your business. By purchasing or replacing motors with premium-efficient motors, you could be eligible for a rebate. East Central Energy offers rebates for motors which meet the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) Premium Efficiency Motor Standards.

Ground Source Heat Pumps

Geothermal (ground source) heat pumps are two to three times more efficient than standard furnaces. In addition to heating, they cool your building. A rebate is available for using this technology. The Department

of Energy and the Environmental Protection Agency endorse geothermal heat pumps as among the most efficient and environmentally friendly heating and cooling options available.

Cooling – Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

Does your business use cooling equipment? The cooling rebate programs provide rebates when you purchase or replace equipment with qualifying commercial cooling equipment. The higher the efficiency, the more rebate you receive!

Our energy experts can help you identify an energy-saving program that will work for you and your business.



LET US BE YOUR GO-TO ENERGY EXPERTS – WE CAN HELP YOU WATCH THE SAVINGS GROW!



Your facility can be more energy efficient than you ever thought possible with our creative ways to help you save energy.

Agriculture

Several rebates and incentives are available for agricultural businesses. Some of the various installations that have rebates and incentives are compressor heat recovery systems, pre-coolers, lighting, NEMA premium-efficient motors, and adjustable speed drives.

Beverage Vending Machines and Glass-Front Cooler Machine Controllers

Reduce the energy cost to operate cold beverage vending machines and glass-front cooler machines by installing control devices which use occupancy or moisture-based technology. A VendingMiser® occupancy sensor can save up to 45% on the operation of cold beverage machines. This is an easy-to-install item and greatly reduces energy costs. A DoorMiser® reduces energy by controlling the use of anti-sweat heaters for refrigerated glass display doors.

Contact us

If you have any questions, please contact your strategic accounts representative at East Central Energy, 1-800-254-7944 or www.eastcentralenergy.com.

Energy-Efficient Equipment (E3) Commercial Financing Program

ECE and Great River Energy have a new loan program available to help commercial members finance energy-efficient equipment which reduces energy use. Interest rates of 0-3% and terms are based on the type of project, the equipment installed, and the calculated payback through annual energy savings. The minimum loan is \$20,000 per project, not to exceed \$350,000, with a maximum maturity of 10 years. The type of equipment eligible for financing is variable speed drives, motors, heat pumps, agricultural equipment, cooling equipment, and custom energy-saving projects.

Wellspring Wind Energy

Time to go green? Lots of consumers are starting to think about their personal carbon footprint and choose businesses and services based on their environmental footprint. East Central Energy is proactive in the support of wind power and was the first utility in the five-state region to offer a “green pricing program.”

Green pricing is an optional service that allows customers an opportunity to support a greater level of investment in renewable energy technologies. Participating members pay a small premium on their electric bill to cover the incremental cost of the additional renewable energy.