

Practice Electrical Safety Year Round

May is National Electric Safety Month, a good time to remind everyone to be safe around electricity all year long. Here are a few simple tips to remember.

Outdoor Safety

- Avoid power lines when carrying long or tall items such as ladders or scaffolding, hold them parallel to the ground. Look up before raising them in the air.
- Never touch a power line. If you see a wire down, call 1-800-833-7476 to report it.
- If you work near power lines, maintain at least 10 feet of distance between you and the power line.
- Call 811 before you dig to have underground utilities marked.

Indoor Safety

- Never stick any object into an electrical outlet.
- Do not overload an electric circuit with too many appliances.
- Use electrical appliances with the UL (Underwriters' Laboratory) symbol.
- Use a surge suppressor or install a surge arrester to protect sensitive electronics from voltage surges.

Visit atlanticcityelectric.com for more safety tips.

Walking the Talk on Reducing Our Carbon Footprint

When it comes to reducing our carbon footprint, here are some steps Atlantic City Electric is taking to become more eco-friendly.

- Launching **Green Bill**, our paperless billing and payment option to reduce paper waste. Visit atlanticcityelectric.com and click **My Account** to sign up for **Green Bill**.
- Converting from traditional-fueled vehicles and trucks to an alternative fuel fleet, such as hybrid bucket trucks, bio-diesel fueled trucks, plug-in hybrid vehicles and hybrid compact cars.
- Launching a pilot project for switching from traditional streetlights to energy-efficient LED (light-emitting diode) streetlights. If the pilot goes well, we will expand this eco-friendly effort throughout our service territory.
- Offering **My Account**, our online energy tool where customers can analyze their bill and learn how to reduce their energy use and save money.
- Purchasing solar renewable energy certificates (SRECs) from eligible customers who invest in new photovoltaic systems for homes and businesses.

Want to check your carbon footprint? The **My Account** tool features a personal carbon footprint calculator so you can join Atlantic City Electric in protecting our environment. Visit atlanticcityelectric.com today.

DOE Awards PHI Federal Job Training Grant

The U.S. Department of Energy recently awarded \$4.4 million in federal stimulus funds to Atlantic City Electric's parent company, Pepco Holdings, Inc. (PHI), as part of the Smart Grid Workforce Training Grant.

The grant accelerates the company's goal of establishing a well-trained workforce to operate the Smart Grid and to provide sound energy advice to customers.

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Jun 3: Cape May Music Festival Concert: Bay-Atlantic Symphony; 1st Presbyterian Church, 500 Hughes St.; 609-884-5404 or 800-275-4278, www.capemaymac.org.

Jun 14-20: ShopRite LPGA Classic; Seaview Dolce Resort, Galloway; www.shopritelpgaclassic.com.

Jun 17: Chefs at the Shore Atlantic City Aquarium Benefit; Atlantic City Aquarium, Atlantic City; 609-348-2880 x.22, www.acaquarium.com.

Jun 19: Harbor Fest; Cape May's harbor; 609-884-5404 or 800-275-4278, www.capemaymac.org.

Jun 23: FUNday at Playland Benefit; 10th & Boardwalk, Ocean City; www.cqinc.org.

Jun 26: Antiques & Fine Crafts Fair; Greater Cape May Historical Society; 609-898-1236, cmroadrunner@verizon.net.

Jun 26: Egg Harbor Township Heritage Day; Veterans' Memorial Park, Ocean Heights Ave. & Swift Dr., Egg Harbor Township; 609-927-9096, EHT300th@aol.com.

FOR MORE THINGS TO DO IN THE REGION, click on "About Us" and then "In the Community" at atlanticcityelectric.com.

To include a future event either in LINES or online, fax to: 302-283-6095, or e-mail: lines@atlanticcityelectric.com.

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It also recognizes PHI's leadership position in Smart Grid deployment.

Funds will be used in three areas: 1) train more than 700 new and existing employees in customer care and advanced metering infrastructure, 2) retrain workers in Smart Grid technology, and, 3) create more than 50 jobs to implement the Smart Grid.

Smart Grid will enhance service reliability, help customers reduce energy use and save on energy costs while laying the groundwork for carbon footprint reduction, electric vehicle adoption and less dependency on foreign oil.



Your Life. Plugged in.™

Energy Conservation Helps Lower Summer Bills

Summer is just around the corner, bringing humidity, higher temperatures and potentially higher energy costs.

Follow these simple conservation tips and take control of summer energy bills.

- Unplug chargers for cell phones, MP3 players and laptops when not in use.
- Turn off power strips when not in use.
- Switch from incandescent to compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs).
- Use ceiling fans.
- Wash laundry in cold water, be sure your dryer's lint filter is clean, or, air dry clothes. Let dishes air dry as well.
- Set your thermostat to 78 degrees or higher during the cooling season.
- Turn off lights and close doors to all rooms not in use. Keep shades, curtains and blinds closed on sunny summer days.
- Use your microwave to cook when possible.



Find more cost-cutting, energy-saving tips, visit atlanticcityelectric.com or call 1-800-642-3780 to request our **85 Ways to Save Energy and Money** brochure today.

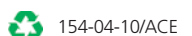


Keep Your Meter Free and Clear

Please help us serve you better and avoid estimated bills. The best way to do that is to make sure our meter readers can safely read your meter each month. Here's how you can help:

- Trim any trees or shrubs for easy access to the meter.
- Keep the area surrounding your meter free and clear of clutter.
- Secure all animals for the safety of our meter readers.

Atlantic City Electric appreciates your help as we strive to provide quality customer service.



Customer Service, Mon-Fri, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.: (800) 642-3780
TTY Telephone Number for Hearing Impaired: (800) 898-8056
To Report Power Outages: (800) 833-7476