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Gear up for summer to keep cooling costs down

As the weather heats up, it can be challenging to keep cooling costs down. Here are a few steps that can help you save money.

- **Sign up for Reduce Your UseSM Rewards** at sdge.com/reduceuse.
- **Target your best opportunities to save** with My Energy Survey, sdge.com/survey, and other energy management tools you'll find in My Account, sdge.com/myenergytool.
- **Have a Summer Saver** device installed on your central air-conditioning unit to earn an annual bill credit. Learn more at sdge.com/summersaver.
- **Visit a Cool Zone** to escape midday heat and save on cooling costs. Find one near you at sdge.com/czonesites or by calling the County of San Diego at **1-800-510-2020** and pressing 6.

- **Upgrade your home or business for less** with rebates and incentives for qualifying energy-efficiency improvements at sdge.com/rebates.
- **Watch one-minute videos** for quick money-saving tips on home cooling, weatherization, indoor and outdoor lighting, popular electronics, second refrigerators and pools at sdge.com/energydiet.

Explore more summer savings ideas at sdge.com/summer.

NOTE: Energy-efficiency programs are funded by California utility customers and administered by SDG&E[®] under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. SDG&E is not responsible for goods and services selected by the customer.

When your plans call for more power, give us a call

When you let us know ahead of time about big changes in energy needs for your home or business, it gives us an early opportunity to check our equipment and, if necessary, upgrade it.

We track local and regional changes in energy use constantly so that we can plan how to best meet everyone's needs for electricity and natural gas.

To help us serve you better, please call us toll-free at **1-800-411-7343** when you're in the planning stage for any changes that may significantly increase your need for electricity. Examples include:

- **Rewiring** your existing electric meter panel to a larger size.
- **Remodeling** your home or expanding your business.
- **Installing** a charging unit for an electric vehicle.

- **Adding** a central air-conditioning unit, tankless electric water heater or any other large electric appliance or equipment for which a permit is typically required for installation.

We'll check our electric equipment to make sure our system remains ready to serve your area. By calling us as early as possible, you – or the contractor who will be doing your electrical work – can help prevent local system overloads, outages and power quality problems, such as low voltage or flickering lights.

For work on your side of the meter – including your electrical panel and all internal wiring at your home or business – be sure to consult with a licensed electrician.

Request this alert if heat is harmful to your health

If extreme heat would be harmful to the health of anyone living in your home and a moderate indoor temperature is a must, be sure to enroll in SDG&E's **Temperature Sensitive Program**. With this free service, you'll receive advance notice of state-directed power outages. An automated phone call will alert you to prepare for a temporary loss of air conditioning.

To sign up for the Temperature Sensitive Program, call us at **1-800-411-7343** or download the program application at sdge.com/tempsensitive.

If you participate in SDG&E's Medical Baseline Program, then you're already on the call list for outage notices and do not need to enroll in the Temperature Sensitive Program.

Pida este aviso si el calor es dañino para su salud

Si el calor extremo pudiera ser dañino para la salud de alguien que vive en su casa y una temperatura interior moderada es imprescindible, asegúrese de inscribirse en el **Programa de Sensibilidad a la**

Temperatura de SDG&E. Con este servicio gratuito, se le avisará anticipadamente en caso de que haya apagones ordenados por el estado. Una llamada telefónica automatizada le avisará para que se prepare para prescindir temporalmente del aire acondicionado.

Para inscribirse en el Programa de Sensibilidad a la Temperatura, llámenos al **1-800-311-7343** o descargue el formulario de inscripción del programa en sdge.com/asistencia.

Si participa en el Programa de Asignación Médica Inicial de SDG&E, entonces ya está en la lista de personas a las que se les va a avisar en caso de un apagón y no necesita inscribirse en el Programa de Sensibilidad a la Temperatura.

You could receive tax credits for installing qualifying energy-efficient products in 2013. Credits include 30% of the cost of solar panels and solar water heaters, and up to \$500 for roofing, insulation, windows and doors. Click the "tax credits" link at energystar.gov.

Proposition 65 warning

As a result of Proposition 65, the State of California lists substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm. We want you to be aware of the following so you can minimize exposure to substances on the state's list related to natural gas and electricity distribution.

WARNING: Natural gas and some materials used by San Diego Gas & Electric® at its facilities and work areas contain substances known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

Natural gas

In its original state, natural gas contains substances on the state's list of substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm. To reduce exposure, leave the area of the gas leak and call us immediately at **1-800-411-7343**.

Natural gas combustion

All combustion, including the combustion of natural gas, produces substances on the state's list of substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

Facilities and work sites

Some materials found at our facilities and work sites contain substances on the state's list of substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm. We handle all materials carefully for your good health as well as ours; however, exposure to substances on the state's list may occur at these locations.

For more information, visit the state's Proposition 65 website at <http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html> or write to us at:

Environmental Services

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Clip to contribute: You can help green energy grow

You may make voluntary contributions at any time to a state trust fund aimed at growing California's renewable energy supplies. One way is to make a donation the next time you pay your SDG&E bill. Just write a check made payable to "**Renewable Resource Trust Fund**" and enclose it – along with this article – in the same envelope as the check you make payable to SDG&E. We'll forward your trust fund check to the California Energy Commission, which administers the fund.

Donations support the commission's Renewable Energy Program for producing more electricity from sustainable resources, such as wind, sun, biomass and geothermal formations. Contributions are **not** tax deductible.

For more information, phone the Renewable Energy Call Center toll free at **1-800-555-7794** or visit www.energy.ca.gov/renewables/history.html.

Advertencia de la Proposición 65

Como resultado de la Proposición 65, el Estado de California enlista las sustancias que son conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos. Queremos que esté consciente de lo siguiente para que pueda reducir al mínimo la exposición a las sustancias relacionadas con la distribución de gas natural y electricidad que aparecen en la lista del estado.

ADVERTENCIA: El gas natural y algunos materiales usados por San Diego Gas & Electric® en sus instalaciones y lugares de trabajo contienen sustancias conocidas por el Estado de California como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos.

Gas natural

En su estado original, el gas natural contiene sustancias que aparecen en la lista del estado de sustancias conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos. Para reducir la exposición, abandone el lugar de la fuga de gas y llámenos inmediatamente al **1-800-311-7343**.

Combustión del gas natural

Toda combustión, incluyendo la combustión del gas natural, produce sustancias que se mencionan en la lista del estado de sustancias conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos.

Instalaciones y sitios de trabajo

Algunos materiales que se encuentran en nuestras instalaciones y lugares de trabajo contienen sustancias que aparecen en la lista del estado de sustancias conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos. Manejamos todos los materiales con precaución para cuidar su buena salud y la nuestra; no obstante, la exposición a sustancias mencionadas en la lista del estado tal vez ocurra en estos lugares.

Para más información, visite el sitio web de la Proposición 65 del estado en <http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html> o escríbanos a:

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