

EnergyUpdate

connected to energy solutions

Upgrade your facility for less and save money for years to come

When having work done to your facility, be sure to take advantage of SDG&E® rebates and incentives for energy-smart choices. You might be surprised at the many opportunities available in 2013 for energy-efficiency upgrades that can reduce your operating costs for years to come, including:

- **Rebates totaling up to \$350,000** per service account, per fuel, per calendar year, for 185 qualifying energy-efficient products.
 - **Incentives of up to 50%** of the cost of energy-saving projects.
 - **Selected retrofits at no cost** through our Direct Install Program for eligible small and medium-sized businesses.
 - **Interest-free loans** for qualifying projects through On-Bill Financing, with monthly loan installments calculated to be offset by energy cost savings.
- payback periods, features and benefits of energy-saving options.
- **Contact our Energy Savings Center** at 1-800-644-6133 or ESC@semprautilities.com, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Our specialists can help connect you with offers best suited to your business needs. If you're a trade professional, we can also help you come up to speed on SDG&E programs designed to meet your customers' needs.
 - **Visit sdge.com/energy-savings-solutions** anytime for an overview of business savings opportunities, or sdge.com/tradepro for information geared toward contractors. ■

Take your pick of three easy ways to get started:

- **Ask your contractor.** Trade professionals – such as electricians, heating, ventilating and air-conditioning (HVAC) specialists, plumbers, architectural-engineering teams and general contractors – can help you compare costs,

NOTE: These programs are funded by California utility customers and administered by San Diego Gas & Electric® under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. Programs may be modified or terminated without prior notice and are provided to qualified customers on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are no longer available. Eligibility requirements apply.

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8th Annual ENERGY²⁰¹³ SHOWCASE

Pick up new ideas for your business

Learn about the latest money-saving ideas to improve your business energy performance at our eighth annual **Energy Showcase** on Wednesday, May 8.

Local, national and international vendors will gather to display energy-saving products, services and strategies for facilities of all types and sizes. Featured exhibits will include electric vehicles and other clean transportation options for commercial uses.

Admission is free, but you'll need to register in advance. To reserve your place or plan an exhibit, visit sdge.com/energyshowcase. ■

◀ *Businesses of all types and sizes can benefit from SDG&E rebates and incentives for energy-efficiency upgrades. Your contractor can fill you in on options that make sense for your business, or you can contact us directly.*

▶▶▶ For more info, visit us anytime at sdge.com.



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Tampering with gas equipment is risky business

Whenever you have work done that involves your facility's natural gas service or equipment, one call to SDG&E could help you avoid making a costly, dangerous and even fatal mistake.



That mistake would be tampering with utility-owned equipment such as SDG&E gas meters, service shut-off valves and underground utilities. Working on utility-owned equipment, even inadvertently, can lead to:

- **A fire or explosion** from gas pressure build-up.
- **Loss of life** and serious injuries.
- **Damage** to your property.
- **Disruption** of your business.

In addition, any repairs will require the gas to be shut off and you will be responsible for paying for the restoration.

Call before you install

Remember, only SDG&E or our certified contractors are authorized to work on our equipment. This includes shutting off your gas service before you install an earthquake shut-off valve on your property. Call us at **1-800-411-7343** for an appointment to shut off and restore your gas service during your earthquake valve installation. To learn more about gas safety, visit sdge.com/gassafety. ■

Camp Pendleton recently earned SDG&E Savings By Design incentives topping \$1 million for five high-performance new construction projects. The projects are designed for long-term financial savings stemming from ongoing annual energy savings of more than 4 million kilowatt-hours of electricity and almost 200,000 therms of natural gas. That's enough electricity to power more than 600 homes per year and enough natural gas to be the equivalent of removing almost 450 vehicles from roadways.

Navy Capt. Marko Medved, the officer in charge of construction at Camp

Pendleton, noted that the renovated enlisted barracks take advantage of daylighting and natural ventilation to help reduce energy use.

In addition, "it is a visible improvement on the quality of life for our Marines and sailors aboard the base," said Brig. Gen. Vincent A. Coglianesse, the base commanding general and regional authority for five Marine Corps installations in the southwestern United States.

For information on incentives and services for your new construction projects, visit sdge.com/builder-services. ■

New seminars feature energy solutions for small businesses

Expand your knowledge of business energy solutions, improve operations, and even increase your profit potential by attending free seminars at our Energy Innovation Center. Our 2013 lineup includes two new workshops designed especially for owners of small businesses:

- **"Business Energy Savings Solutions Training"** provides a step-by-step guide to applying for SDG&E rebates, incentives and On-Bill Financing. This two-hour course is offered from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on March 7, April 4 and May 2.
- **"Bringing it All Together: Integrated Demand Side Management for Your Facilities"** will help you quantify costs and benefits of proposed energy-



Seminars will be held at SDG&E's Energy Innovation Center. For details or to register online, visit sdge.com/seminars.

saving projects. This hands-on workshop is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on March 12.

Visit sdge.com/seminars to register online. All workshops will be held at our Energy Innovation Center at 4760 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. in San Diego. ■

