

# Navigating what's next: smart tools, real savings

*With new rate options and rebate programs that support energy efficiency, SEI REMC is helping you take control of your energy use and your monthly bill.*

Change can feel overwhelming, especially when it comes to your monthly expenses. But at Southeastern Indiana REMC, we believe that with the right tools and information, change can also bring opportunity. As the new rate adjustment takes effect on October 1, we want to empower you with ways to respond proactively and keep your energy costs manageable.

This is not just about a rate increase. It is about giving you more control, more insight and more options to reduce your energy use and stretch your budget. From smarter usage habits to innovative rate plans and valuable rebates, SEI REMC is here to help you make informed decisions that work for your household.

## Smart Usage Habits Can Offset Rising Rates

As cooler months approach, energy use often increases, but a few small adjustments can help you stay warm and keep your energy bill in check. Taking simple, proactive steps this fall can make a big difference all season long.

### Shift high-energy tasks to off-peak hours

If you are enrolled in the Time-of-Day rate, plan activities like doing laundry, running the dishwasher or charging devices during off-peak times such as early mornings, late evenings and weekends. Shifting when you use electricity can lower your overall cost without changing your routine too much.

### Seal out the cold

Inspect windows and doors for drafts, and seal any gaps with weather stripping or caulk. Keeping warm air inside reduces the strain on your heating system and helps maintain a consistent indoor temperature.

### Lower your thermostat settings

Try setting your thermostat a few degrees lower during the day and even more at night or when you are away. These small adjustments add up and can lead to significant savings throughout the fall and winter.

### Reverse your ceiling fans

Switch your ceiling fans to rotate clockwise during the cooler months. This helps circulate warm air downward, making rooms feel warmer and reducing the need to raise the thermostat.

### Unplug unused electronics

With shorter days and more time spent indoors, electronics tend to be used more often. When devices are not in use, unplug them or use a smart power strip to eliminate standby power consumption and avoid unnecessary energy waste.



## Your Rate, Your Choice

With the rate adjustment beginning October 1, this is the perfect time to explore which rate plan best fits your lifestyle. SEI REMC offers two options:

### A-5 Residential Rate Plan

This is the standard two-block rate plan that most members currently use.

### Time-of-Day Rate Plan

This plan features lower prices during off-peak hours. It is ideal for households that can shift energy use to mornings, evenings or weekends.

Not sure which plan is right for you? We can help by reviewing your past energy use and providing a personalized comparison. This report will show whether switching to the Time-of-Day plan could result in savings for your household. Call 800-737-4111 to speak with a Member Service Representative who can provide a personalized rate comparison based on your energy use.

## SmartHub and Prepay Put You in Control

Understanding how and when you use electricity helps you make better decisions. Our tools are designed to give you the information you need.

**SmartHub** allows you to track energy use in real time, view your billing history and set up usage alerts. Seeing how your energy use changes each day can help you make small adjustments that add up to big savings.

**Prepay billing** gives you the option to pay in advance and monitor your usage daily. It offers a flexible way to manage your energy budget and avoid unexpected bills.



## Rebates That Reward Energy Efficiency

We know that taking steps to improve energy efficiency requires time, effort and sometimes an upfront investment. That is why we offer a variety of rebates to help offset costs and make energy-smart upgrades more achievable for our members.

Whether you're making improvements to your home's heating and cooling system, upgrading appliances or exploring renewable options, our rebates are designed to support your goals and help you save both energy and money.

For full details about all available rebates, visit [www.seiremc.com/rebates](http://www.seiremc.com/rebates).

## You Are Not Alone

At SEI REMC, we are committed to helping you prepare for what is ahead. Whether you want to better understand your bill, compare rate options, explore new technology or reduce your energy use, we are here for you.

You have the ability to make informed choices, and we are here to support you every step of the way.