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Vending Controls

Cold vending – Why use electricity to run your vending machines when no one is around?

Vending controls represent a breakthrough in the power control of cold beverage vending machines, saving nearly 50 percent of the \$170-\$250 in annual electricity operating costs of a machine while maintaining the proper temperature for the vended product. It can also reduce vending machine maintenance costs and increase the life of the front panel fluorescent lamps.

How does it work?

- Vending controls will power down the vending machine when the area is unoccupied, yet maintain the desired product temperature.
- Vending controls determine if the compressor is operating and will not power down until it is done running to prevent short cycling the compressor.



No need to purchase new machines to reduce operating costs and greenhouse gas emissions. When equipped with a vending control, vending machines use less energy and are comparable in daily energy performance to new ENERGY STAR® qualified vending machines.

- When a vending machine is powered down and a potential customer approaches, the vending control will turn on the vending machine immediately.

What are the benefits?

- Easy to install! Just plug the vending machine into the vending control and plug the control into an electrical outlet.
- Reduces electrical consumption of beverage vending machines by up to 50 percent.
- Controls lights and refrigeration based on occupancy.
- Maintains minimum temperature requirements.
- Multiple vending machine installment options available.
- Accepted for use by Pepsi Cola® and Coca-Cola®.
- \$75 conservation rebate available.*

Cost for Dakota Electric members:*

Price \$175 + tax

Dakota Electric's conservation rebate* – \$ 75

* Must be installed in Dakota Electric's service territory to qualify for rebate.

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What you need to do

- Check with Dakota Electric to verify funding availability and program parameters.
- Installation must be complete before funds will be issued.
- Purchase vending controls directly from Dakota Electric by calling 651-463-6243.
- Itemized invoices from equipment vendors must accompany rebate application.
- Invoices must itemize labor charges, quantity and price of the equipment installed.

- Invoices must include manufacturer and model numbers for the installed equipment.
- Dakota Electric reserves the right to conduct inspections.

Contact the Energy Experts®

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Frequently Asked Questions

Will vending controls keep my drinks cold?

Absolutely – vending controls have been tested and accepted for use by both major bottlers.

Is the vending control easy to install?

Yes! Vending controls have a simple external plug-and-play product. A vending control can be installed on the wall with simple hand tools or it can be attached to the vending machine without tools using the new Easy-Install system. The Easy-Install System allows quick installation in 5 minutes.

Are vending controls safe for all machines?

Yes! Vending controls are compatible with all types of cold drink vending machines. In fact, by reducing run time of the machines, vending controls reduce maintenance costs.

Have vending controls been field tested?

Tens of thousands of vending controls are operational in the field. Typical energy savings have been independently documented to be between 35 percent and 45 percent.

Are there any locations not appropriate for vending controls?

Vending controls are not designed to be used on machines with perishable goods. Also, savings are generated as a result of location vacancy. A machine in a location that is occupied 24-hours, 7 days a week will generate little savings.

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