

ENERGYWISE

FOR YOUR BUSINESS



Dakota Electric, like all utilities, experiences times of peak use. Members who reduce their electrical load by at least 50 kilowatts during these peak times can receive significant year-round savings, giving you the power to reduce your energy costs.

INTERRUPTIBLE OFF-PEAK PROGRAMS

The power to reduce your energy costs

How does it work?

During times of peak electricity use, Dakota Electric asks members to reduce their electrical load by at least 50 kilowatts (kW). Businesses achieve this reduction by manually reducing their load or installing a generator to power their facility during the peak demand period.

By participating, members help Dakota Electric reduce wholesale power purchases during times when electricity is most expensive. Dakota Electric returns these savings to members through a lower rate on electricity.

Interruptible program options

Dakota Electric offers members two interruptible program options, both with money-saving benefits.

FULL INTERRUPTION (RATE 70)

- Lowest rate available from Dakota Electric.
- Available to members who can reduce their connected load of at least 50 kW to zero during times of peak energy demand.
- To achieve zero load, most companies depend on a standby generator.
- Manually reducing your load to zero through voluntary curtailment also qualifies your business.

PARTIAL INTERRUPTION (RATE 71)

- Available for businesses that can reduce their load by at least 50 kW.
- A Dakota Electric representative will help you determine your load reduction during peak times.
- The greater your reduction, the greater your savings.

Who can participate?

Any commercial building or business able to reduce their load by at least 50 kW.



Susan McGaughey and Kathleen Boegeman of Valley Natural Foods in Burnsville save their members money by participating in Dakota Electric's full interruption program.

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RATE 70/71 GEN-SET/CURTAILMENT HISTORY

SUMMER

YEAR	NUMBER OF CONTROL PERIODS	TOTAL HOURS CONTROLLED	AVERAGE LENGTH OF CONTROL PERIODS IN
2011	7	59.5	8.5
2012	3	21	7
2013	6	33	5.5
2014	3	16.5	5.5
2015	3	19	6.3
2016	4	24	6
2017	1	6	6
2018	1	6.5	6.5
2019	2	10.5	5.25
2020	4	28	7

WINTER

YEAR	NUMBER OF CONTROL PERIODS	TOTAL HOURS CONTROLLED	AVERAGE LENGTH OF CONTROL PERIODS IN
2010-11	0	0	0
2011-12	0	0	0
2012-13	0	0	0
2013-14	0	0	0
2014-15	0	0	0
2015-16	0	0	0
2016-17	0	0	0
2017-18	0	0	0
2018-19	1	6	6
2019-20	0	0	0

The Interruptible Rate 70/71 program allows Dakota Electric to reduce its capacity and energy requirements during peak load conditions by interrupting all or a portion of a members' electric load. Scheduled interruption times can be found at <http://lmguidе.greenergy.com/GetSchedule.do> and range from 4 to 10 hours per day based on system needs. Interruptions for system emergency can occur at anytime.



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