



TIDINGS

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You Can Keep



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Ride the Green Wave

Bringing Conservation to Life

Beaches Energy Services is dedicated to the concept of bringing conservation to life. Saving our customers money and conserving energy are important to us. Everything we do is centered on those two ideals: from the *Tidings* newsletter to our rebate program. For everyone at the beaches, beach life is something we want to protect. That's why Beaches Energy Services provides tips on how you can save money and energy.

Tidings Tips: Easy New Year's Resolutions

Yes, you *can* keep these resolutions. For one, no dieting or exercising is required. Two, they easily become habits. And last, but definitely not least, **they save you money.**

- Change incandescent bulbs to CFLs or LEDs.
- Remember 68° in winter, 78° in summer. Those are optimal thermostat settings. (On winter nights, pile on blankets and set below 68°.)
- Use ceiling fans to increase comfort when you're in a room: circulate air up in winter, down in summer.
- Check the HVAC filter every month, and keep a spare for changing.
- Close the fireplace damper when the fire is out.
- Turn off lights and electronics you're not using. Remember that electronics and chargers are still "on"—using standby energy—unless unplugged. Turn them off at night or when away.
- Wash clothes in cold water, do full loads, and air-dry when possible.
- Cook and reheat in the lower-power microwave, toaster oven, and crock pot.
- Rinse dishes for the dishwasher in cold water (just scraping works with some models), fill the racks, and turn off the "heat-dry cycle."



Electric price for 1,000 kilowatt-hours

	September	January
Base charge, residential	\$4.50	\$4.50
KWH base charge	\$74.57	\$74.57
Power cost adjustment	\$58.84	\$50.84
Total	\$137.91	\$129.91

Beaches Energy Services continues to provide utility service at the lowest possible cost. In our effort to maintain rates below the state average, the power cost has been reduced by \$8.00 per 1,000 kilowatt hours. Through this reduction, our customers will start saving money immediately due to decreasing power costs.

Rebates Pay You to Save!

Energy-efficient home improvements lower utility bills. Beaches Energy Services rebates lower what you *pay* for those improvements. Now that's a win-win for your wallet—not to mention a win-win for conserving energy and protecting the environment.

The rebates are dollar credits applied directly to your utility bill. Up to a total of \$1,675 is available for the purchase and installation of energy-saving equipment and improvements, small and large. With today's technical advances in energy efficiency, it's truly easy to **Do a Little and Save a Lot**—especially with rebate help from Beaches Energy Services. Learn more at beachesenergy.com, or call us at 904-247-6241.

Qualified Products or Improvements	Maximum Rebate
A/C Heat Pump SEER 14	\$100
A/C Heat Pump SEER 15 or higher	\$300
Programmable Thermostat	\$25
Duct Leak Repair or Replacement	\$150
Attic Insulation Upgrade	\$300
Window Film/Solar Screen	\$100
Solar Water Heater	\$500



Energy-Efficient REBATES