

Beat the Peak FAQs

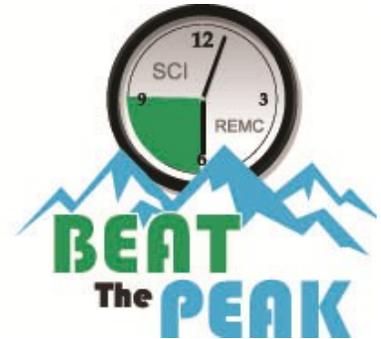
Q: What is “Beat the Peak”?

A: “Beat the Peak” is a program designed to encourage members to become more aware of the energy they use and to reduce their energy usage during “peak” demand periods.

Q: When are the peak periods?

A: Peak demand periods occur when the demand for electricity is the highest. Summer: June-August, 5-8pm.

Winter: December-February, 7-9am or 6-8pm.



Q: How does the “Beat the Peak” program work?

A: When the REMC determines that a peak period is approaching, we will alert all participants by e-mail, text message, or phone calls as to the anticipated day and time of the peak period. This alert will be published and sent up to 24 hours before the scheduled peak period. The message will suggest ways to help limit your energy consumption, such as: waiting to run the dishwasher, washer, and dryer; adjusting your thermostat by 3 degrees, and turning off all unneeded lights and appliances. This will help you make the necessary adjustments, and save on your electric bill.

Q: Why does the South Central Indiana REMC want me to reduce my consumption?

A: The answer is simple, SCI REMC is different than most electric utilities because it is a cooperative. Since we are a cooperative, we are owned by YOU and all the other 33,000 members that are served by the REMC. Our goal has always been to provide energy to you at the lowest possible cost while encouraging you to use this energy wisely and efficiently. If we all work together to promote wise and efficient use of this energy, we can help hold down future energy costs that you pay each month.

Q: What are other ways to reduce your energy consumption?

A: You can learn more about your home’s overall energy efficiency by conducting your own energy audit. You can use some of the tools we have available on our website, such as our “Home Energy Calculator.” You can also view some other free energy tools available on our website under the “Efficiency Resources” tab. You can view our website www.sciremc.com.

