



WE PAY YOU TO PULL THE PLUG

Members saved over **\$7,000** in 2017 by recycling appliances!

Outdated appliances are energy hogs, driving up your monthly bill. Wouldn't you rather make money from them? Now you can! Have them picked up for recycling via Pull the Plug.

- Refrigerators (full size), \$35 each
- Freezers, \$25 each
- Window air conditioners, \$25 each

Call 855-838-7817 to schedule your pickup. Limit three appliances per year, per address.

This program is available to ECI REC members through our partnership with CLEARresult.

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SmartHub Offers Powerful Tools

SmartHub is ECI REC's online program that allows members to access their account information from a computer or smartphone. You can access the tools described below by registering with SmartHub. After registering, you will be able to download the SmartHub app on your smartphone, making this information available at your fingertips 24/7.



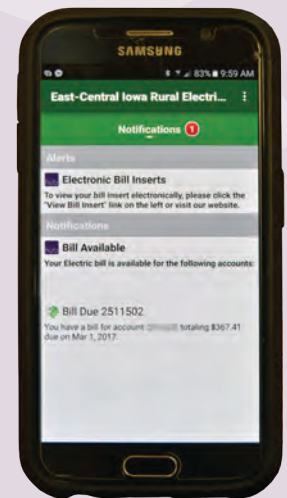
SmartHub offers **free online bill payment**, as well as links to **bill inserts**. You can also sign up for Budget Billing.



An **ECI REC Outage Map** offers near real-time information to members during an outage.



In the dynamic **My Usage** section, you'll find many tools that can help you analyze your past and current energy usage, as well as plan and conserve energy in the future. For example, you can compare your energy use and costs and set markers to monitor changes in your usage under the Analyze Your Usage tab. Under the **Explore Usage Management** tab, you'll find energy-saving tips.



Sign up for our Watts \$mart e-communications!

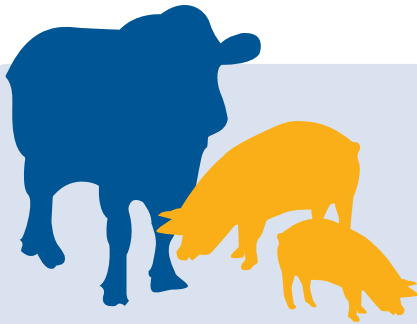
Watts \$mart provides members with FREE energy tips and resources.

In addition to a monthly e-newsletter, you can also calculate your carbon footprint and run cost comparisons of heating and cooling systems and appliances. Visit ecirec.coop, scroll to the bottom of the home page, and click on the Watts \$mart icon to sign up.

Reminder: Notification Requirements for Alternative Energy Production Facilities

Owners of alternative energy production facilities that will be attached to an electric transmission or distribution line—no matter how small (solar-powered heat pumps, for example)—are required to provide written notification to their utility of the intent to construct or install the facility at least 30 days prior to construction. Alternative energy production facilities are defined as solar, wind turbine, waste management, resource recovery, refuse-derived fuel, agricultural crops or residues, or wood-burning facilities used to generate electricity. In the written notice, the owner must provide information on the type of facility and the anticipated completion date of the construction.

If you have questions about the law or about interconnecting alternative energy facilities in general, please contact ECI REC at 877-850-4343.



ATTENTION LIVESTOCK OWNERS

If you have questions or concerns regarding stray voltage in your livestock confinement buildings or are planning the addition of a new facility, please call East-Central Iowa REC. We are committed to working with you and your electrician to eliminate any potential stray voltage concerns.

CALL 877-850-4343

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