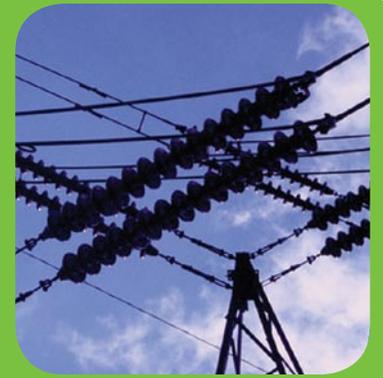


Voluntary Load Response

Save money and help the environment by reducing energy use at peak times



If your business can reduce its electrical usage, ComEd will help you save money

The Voluntary Load Response (VLR7) program rewards businesses for curtailing electricity usage. Any firm that can lower their energy consumption by at least 10 kilowatts when ComEd requests a reduction is eligible. VLR7 participation will not only be beneficial to your company, but also will be beneficial to the environment by lowering energy use, which reduces the emission of greenhouse gases.

All commercial ComEd accounts within the ComEd service territory are eligible to participate in VLR7, even those purchasing their power from an alternative energy supplier.

Whenever ComEd asks VLR7 participants to reduce their usage, the company will notify energy managers what their savings will be. Energy managers can decide when a request is made whether or not they will lower their usage. Incentives for lowering usage are based on hourly wholesale energy market prices and/or ComEd system conditions. Cash or billing credits will be delivered to participating firms by the end of each calendar year.

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What are the requirements to participate?

Voluntary Load Response is available to commercial customers who:

- Are within the ComEd service territory and take service under any ComEd retail electric supply or delivery services tariff
- Have an “interval recording meter” or have a written ComEd waiver indicating they have an alternative method to measure usage at particular times
- Be able to reduce usage by at least 10 kilowatts

What is the payment amount?

Payments represent two aspects of typical customer billing. Just as there is an energy charge, there is an energy incentive for reducing usage. The second incentive is the transmission and distribution portion, reflecting the reduced demand on ComEd’s delivery system that comes from energy curtailment.

Under an energy curtailment, VLR7 participants will earn at least \$0.25 per kilowatt-hour for each hour of voluntarily reduced energy usage. This incentive may vary depending on the hourly energy market and/or ComEd system conditions at the time ComEd seeks a usage curtailment.

Incentives for a transmission and distribution curtailment will vary depending on system conditions. Unlike energy curtailments, there is no guaranteed minimum payment for participating.

Customers cannot benefit from incentives for the energy component if they are part of an energy incentive program offered by another curtailment service provider. Participants may wish to check with their Retail Electric

Supplier regarding the existence of any load response programs that offer an energy portion incentive that could be earned during a ComEd transmission and distribution curtailment.

How much notice is given before interruptions begin?

Participants receive at least a one-hour notice before each load response curtailment.

How long will each interruption last?

Participants will be asked to participate for no less than 2 hours and generally no more than 8 hours.

Are there any penalties for nonperformance?

No.

Additional Information

Each participant’s load response efforts will be measured against a theoretical load curve that averages the five previous business days’ actual usage. Actual reduction will be the difference between this average and the participant’s actual usage during curtailment. Participation in the VLR7 program each year is self-renewing. You must contact your Account Manager to terminate participation.

See your ComEd Account Manager for more details or call 1-877-4-ComEd1 (426-6331).

This information on the ComEd load response program is intended strictly to provide information on this program and is not a solicitation for any ComEd retail electric supply tariffs or services.

