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Decorative LED lights can save 90% in holiday lighting costs and they're cool to the touch, making them safer for children. For a free "Holiday Lighting" brochure with safety tips, visit www.sdge.com/holiday.

▶ TIMELY TIP

As winter nights grow longer, home lighting use goes up. Today's energy-efficient lighting products can help you save money. For a quick overview, download SDG&E's free brochure, "Home Lighting," at www.sdge.com/forms.

Whenever you shop for new lights and fixtures, choose energy-efficient products to lighten your electric load and your energy bills. You'll save on purchase prices, too, when you choose ENERGY STAR®-qualified lighting products with an SDG&E® "Promotional Price" sticker.

"It costs only pennies per day to power a single light bulb, but all the lighting that you use at home over a month may add up to 10% to 20% of your electric bill," says Debra Reed, SDG&E president and chief executive officer. "To help you light your home for less, we worked with lighting manufacturers and retailers to offer special low prices on energy-efficient lighting products at 75 stores throughout our service area."

Today's energy-efficient lighting products come in all kinds of shapes, sizes and wattages for indoor and outdoor uses. The two most popular alternatives to traditional incandescent light bulbs for the home are:

- **Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)**, which use 75% less energy to produce the same amount of light as incandescents and last up to 10 times longer.
- **Light-emitting diodes (LEDs)**, which can save up to 90% in lighting costs compared with traditional incandescent lights and last much longer.

For more information, including a list of participating retailers, visit www.sdge.com/homerebates and click on "Residential Lighting Program," or call the SDG&E Energy Information Center at 1-800-644-6133. For an energy cost comparison of holiday lights, see the chart on the back page.

The Residential Lighting Program is funded by California utility customers and administered by SDG&E under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission.



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SAFETY NOTICE:

Maintain your gas lines

SDG&E is responsible for maintaining the gas lines that carry natural gas to your meter. However, if you're a property owner, you are responsible for maintaining all gas lines on *your* side of the meter. Such customer-owned gas lines include all piping that goes:

- From your gas meter to the appliances on your property.
- From a curbside gas meter to the home (when the meter is not right beside the home).
- From your meter underground to a building, pool/spa heater, barbecue or other gas appliances.

To properly maintain your gas lines, you should have them periodically inspected for corrosion and leaks, and repair any unsafe conditions immediately. A licensed plumbing or heating contractor can assist you in finding, inspecting and repairing your gas lines. Call **811** toll free to reach Underground Service Alert (USA) at least two workdays before digging in your yard. Upon notice by USA, SDG&E will mark, at no charge, where SDG&E-owned gas and electric lines are buried – sometimes mere inches below the surface. To help prevent costly damage or injury, use appropriate hand-digging tools to dig carefully within 2 feet of any marked underground gas lines.

NOTE: If you own a master-metered gas line system, the U.S. Department of Transportation requires you to notify your tenants of the information above. You may do so by keeping this notice posted continuously in a common area frequented by your tenants.

AVISO DE SEGURIDAD:

Dé mantenimiento a su tubería de gas

SDG&E tiene la responsabilidad de mantener la tubería de gas que llega *hasta* su medidor. El dueño del inmueble es responsable de mantener la tubería que esté de *su* lado. Su tubería incluye desde el:

- Medidor de gas hasta los aparatos domésticos.
- Medidor de banqueta hasta la casa.
- Medidor subterráneo hasta una construcción o aparatos de gas.

Un mantenimiento adecuado incluye inspecciones para detectar corrosión y fugas, así como las reparaciones necesarias. Un contratista con licencia en plomería o calefacción puede ayudarle. Llame sin costo al **811** para contactar a Underground Service Alert (USA), cuando menos dos días hábiles antes de excavar en su jardín. En cuanto avise USA, SDG&E marcará, sin cargo, la localización donde estén las líneas de gas y electricidad de SDG&E – a veces a unas cuantas pulgadas debajo de la superficie. Si excava a menos de 2 pies de la marcación, excave manualmente con la herramienta apropiada.

NOTA: Si tiene un sistema de medidor maestro, el Departamento de Transportes de los Estados Unidos requiere que notifique a sus inquilinos la información arriba mencionada. Puede hacerlo poniendo continuamente este aviso en un área común frecuentada por sus inquilinos.

ENERGY COST COMPARISON OF HOLIDAY LIGHTS



Type of decorative light*	Low-use household*	High-use household*
Outdoor holiday lights, standard C7 incandescent (1,500 watts for 300 bulbs)	23¢ per hour, \$41 per month	38¢ per hour, \$68 per month
Miniature holiday lights, incandescent (300 watts for 300 bulbs)	5¢ per hour, \$8 per month	8¢ per hour, \$14 per month
LED holiday lights (13 watts for 300 bulbs)	2/10 of 1¢ per hour, 35¢ per month	3/10 of 1¢ per hour, 58¢ per month

*Figures are rounded off. "Low-use" electric cost estimates reflect a rate of \$0.15 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for households using 130% or less of the baseline electric allowance shown on the SDG&E bill. "High-use" electric cost estimates reflect a rate of \$0.25 per kWh for households using over 130% of the baseline electric allowance. Monthly costs are based on use of lights for 6 hours per day for 30 days. The price you pay may vary depending on your tiered rate and other factors.