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## Energy tips to shake the winter's chill

Many of us are spending more time at home so we're probably using more energy. Here are some no-cost and low-cost energy-saving tips. We know that every little bit helps, especially now.

- Shift activities like running your dishwasher or doing laundry to the off-peak hours, before 4pm or after 9pm.
- Weatherize your home by caulking and sealing all seams, cracks and openings to the outside. This can save 10% - 20% on your heating bill.
- Use LED light strings to reduce the cost of decorating your home for the holidays. LED bulbs are safer, use up to 90% less energy and last 10-25 times longer.
- Turn your thermostat down 7° - 10° for 8 hours a day and you can save up to 10% on your bill.
- Use warm water instead of hot and cut a load of laundry's energy use in half; using cold water will save even more.



For more savings tips, visit [sdge.com/winter](https://sdge.com/winter).

## Prevent missed payments to avoid power shut offs



Have you or someone you know ever overlooked your utility bill? We have a third party service to help prevent power shut-off for you or someone you know who is sick, elderly or often away. You choose a third party, such as a friend, relative or community agency. If we send you a late-payment or shut-off notice, we'll also send a copy to your designated third party who can remind you too. Complete an application at [sdge.com/thirdparty](https://sdge.com/thirdparty).

## Water heater tips put safety and savings on tap

Did you know that when you use water you use energy?

- Save energy and money by setting the water heater thermostat to 120° or less, or wrap the tank in a specially-designed blanket to help retain its heat.
- As required by law, make sure your water heater restraints are secured to the wall studs to prevent movement or toppling during an earthquake.
- Keep flammable products away from the water heater and vent system to help prevent fire hazards.
- Keep the area around the water heater clean, free of items around it and well-ventilated to prevent it from having to work harder.
- Save more with an SDG&E water heater rebate at [sdge.com/rebates](https://sdge.com/rebates).

For more energy safety information, visit [sdge.com/safety](https://sdge.com/safety).

## Winter savings tips for your business

There are ways to save money when it comes to your business's energy use.

Try these tips to trim your winter energy bills.



- Insulate your facility, and weatherstrip and caulk drafty doors and windows to help prevent heat from escaping.
- Tune up your heating system annually to improve efficiency and comfort. Schedule a no-cost energy audit at [sdge.com/BES](https://sdge.com/BES).
- Upgrade your lighting with LED bulbs, especially if you're decorating for the holidays. They use less energy and are safer too.
- Switch off or power down your electronic devices when not in use and use smart power strips.

For more savings tips, visit [sdge.com/business-winter](https://sdge.com/business-winter).

## Stay in-the-know

Catastrophic events such as wildfires or storms are not uncommon in our region so it's critical to be prepared. Either of these scenarios could cause a power outage. Stay informed by signing up for outage notifications via email, phone or text. Sign up for outage notifications in four easy steps\*:

- Go to My Account ([sdge.com/MyAccount](https://sdge.com/MyAccount))
- Click on the 'Alerts and Subscriptions' tab
- Select 'Outage Notifications' from the drop-down menu
- From there, choose the way you want to stay informed

\*If you've already signed up for outage notifications, double-check that your contact information is correct.



## Proposition 65 warning

SDG&E is a regulated public utility that provides energy service to 3.6 million people through 1.4 million electric meters and 873,000 natural gas meters in San Diego and southern Orange counties. Our service area spans 4,100 square miles. For a map of our service area go to [sdge.com/about-us](http://sdge.com/about-us).

Natural gas and treated wood utility poles are used throughout our service area. In accordance with Proposition 65, the following warnings are provided:

### Natural gas combustion

**WARNING:** Entering this area can expose you to chemicals including formaldehyde, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer, and carbon monoxide, which is known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

### Treated wood utility poles

**WARNING:** Entering this area can expose you to chemicals including pentachlorophenol, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

## Advertencia de la Proposición 65

SDG&E es una empresa de servicios públicos regulada que ofrece servicio de energía a 3.6 millones de personas a través de 1.4 millones de medidores eléctricos y 873,000 medidores de gas natural en los condados de San Diego y sur de Orange. Nuestra área de servicio abarca 4,100 millas cuadradas. Para ver un mapa de nuestra área de servicio vaya a [sdge.com/about-us](http://sdge.com/about-us).

En toda nuestra área de servicio se utilizan gas natural y postes de madera tratados para servicios públicos. De conformidad con la Proposición 65, se proporcionan las siguientes advertencias:

### Combustión del gas natural

**ADVERTENCIA:** Entrar a esta área puede exponerle a sustancias químicas, entre las que se incluyen formaldehído, conocido por el estado de

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ENERGY RESOURCES	2019 SDG&E Power Mix	2019 SDG&E EcoChoice Mix	2019 CA Power Mix
<b>Eligible Renewable<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>31.3%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>31.7%</b>
Biomass & Biowaste	2%	0%	2.4%
Geothermal	0%	0%	4.8%
Eligible Hydroelectric	0%	0%	2.0%
Solar	17%	100%	12.3%
Wind	13%	0%	10.2%
<b>Coal</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
<b>Large Hydroelectric</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>
<b>Natural Gas</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>34.2%</b>
<b>Nuclear</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
<b>Unspecified sources of power<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>7.3%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Percentage of Retail Sales Covered by Retired Unbundled RECs<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	
<p><sup>1</sup>The eligible renewable percentage above does not reflect RPS compliance, which is determined using a different methodology.</p> <p><sup>2</sup>Unspecified power is electricity that has been purchased through open market transactions and is not traceable to a specific generation source.</p> <p><sup>3</sup>Renewable energy credits (RECs) are tracking instruments issued for renewable generation. Unbundled renewable energy credits (RECs) represent renewable generation that was not delivered to serve retail sales. Unbundled RECs are not reflected in the power mix or GHG emissions intensities above.</p> <p><b>Some customers may be served by more than one electricity portfolio.</b></p>			
For specific information about this electricity product, contact:	<b>San Diego Gas &amp; Electric</b> <b>800-411-7343</b>		
For general information about the Power Content Label, please visit:	<a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/pcl/">http://www.energy.ca.gov/pcl/</a>		
For additional questions, please contact the California Energy Commission at:	<b>Toll-free in California: 844-454-2906</b> <b>Outside California: 916-653-0237</b>		
<p>The drop in SDG&amp;E's renewable procurement percentage compared to previous years is mostly due to a technical rule change adopted by the California Energy Commission for power content label reporting purposes. Without the rule change, our renewable percentage would be around 40 percent. While our energy portfolio fluctuates year to year, our company's commitment to a clean energy future remains steadfast. To help decarbonize the grid, SDG&amp;E is investing heavily in the infrastructure needed to maximize the use of clean power. Learn more at <a href="http://sdge.com/sustainability">sdge.com/sustainability</a>.</p>			

California como causante de cáncer, y monóxido de carbono, conocido por el estado de California como causante de defectos congénitos u otros daños reproductivos. Para obtener más información, vaya a [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

### Postes de madera tratados para servicios públicos

**ADVERTENCIA:** Entrar a esta área puede exponerle a sustancias químicas, entre las que se incluye pentaclorofenol, conocido por el estado de California como causante de cáncer. Para obtener más información, vaya a [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).