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1. Executive Summary

This final evaluation report summarizes results from Lakeland Electric's two-year 3-Period Time of Use (TOU) program called "Shift-to-Save" (STS). Lakeland Electric had undertaken this study as part of a full system wide deployment of advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy's (D.O.E.) Smart Grid Investment Grant (SGIG) Program.

Lakeland's submission to the D.O.E. listed the objectives of this study to include estimating the following: the amount of peak demand savings, the amount of load shifting from on peak to off peak periods and from shoulder periods to off peak periods, and the amount of net overall electric usage savings to customers. Other objectives included assessing customer acceptance and retention, and assessing customer volunteer rates verses assigned rates, as well as customer dropout rates.

Lakeland Electric's residential customers were recruited and selected to participate in the two-year pilot using a Voluntary verses Assigned enrollment. Both groups were randomly placed in either a treatment group (on Shift to Save rate RST-1) or control group (on standard Residential rate RS) in the first year of the study. All customers were informed that they would receive monthly notifications that listed their savings or increases, and that they could choose to return to the standard rate in the first six months, along with any difference in bills being credited back to their account. In total, 6,586 customers participated in the study (2228 voluntary, and 4358 assigned) and were placed in four groups: Treatment Voluntary (Y1V) with 1017 customers, Treatment Assigned (Y1A) with 998 customers, Control Voluntary (Y2V) with 1211 customers, and Control Assigned (Y2A) with 3360 customers. The two treatment groups were placed on the Shift to Save treatment rate (RST-1) from April 2012 through April 2013, while the two control groups remained on the standard rate (RS) during the same period. Of the original 1017 Voluntary Treatment customers in Year 1, 641 remained in the program the entire year (63% retention rate). Of the 641 Voluntary Treatment customers at the end of Year 1, 555 continued to the end of Year 2 for a second year retention rate of 87 %. Similarly, of the original 998 Assigned Treatment customers in Year 1, 692 remained in the program the entire year (69% retention rate). Of the 692 Assigned Treatment customers at the end of Year 1, 603 continued to the end of Year 2 for a second year retention rate of 87 %.



In year 2, the customers in the two control groups where transitioned onto the Shift to Save rate. As such, we started with 1,008 Voluntary Treatment customers and ended with 785 for a 78 % retention rate. Similarly we started year 2 with 1500 Assigned Treatment customers and ended with 1128 for a 75 % retention rate. At the end of the study period there were a total of 1340 Voluntary Treatment customers and 1731 Assigned Treatment customers still in the program. This represents a 66 % and 69 % retention rate respectively.

A very high percentage of the customers, greater than 90 %, saved money on their electric bill on the Winter Season TOU rate but only 51 % or less saved money on their electric bill on the Summer Season TOU rate. This was true for both years and for all groups of customers. The average dollar value impacts on the bills for each group, by year and season, are listed in Table 7 in the Data Section of this report.

Data analysis was conducted to develop 12 different load impact metrics (listed in the Data Section of this report). The data analysis was broken out by the two groups of customers participating in the study: Assigned and Voluntary. None of the Assigned Group's load impact metrics were statistically significant, and most reflected a slight increase in consumption when a decrease was expected. So turning to the Voluntary treatment groups load impact analysis, the first set of load impact metrics focused on three different time periods on the system coincident peak day (August 28, 2012): peak hour of 17:00, the peak period of 15:00-20:00 and the entire 24 hours. Customers in the Voluntary treatment group produced statistically significant reductions in load on the system coincident peak hour (-0.22 kWh/customer), peak period (-1.11 kWh/customer), and peak day (-3.15 kWh/customer or -7.35%). The second set of load impact metrics focused on the same time periods as the previous set of metrics but for each of the 12 months during the first year of the study. Customers in the Voluntary treatment group consistently produced a statistically significant reduction in electricity consumption in the monthly peak hour, peak period, and peak day in at least the first five months of the study (April-August). Thereafter (September-May), monthly load impacts varied substantially and were sporadically statistically significant for all metrics. The final set of load impact metrics focused on the same time periods but over the entire course of the first year of the study. None of the Yearly load impacts over the three time periods were statistically significant. Over all time horizons, it does not appear that the Peak period usage reductions reflect a shift in usage but was rather overall energy conservation across all time periods.



The education of our customers about energy in general and specifically about TOU rate and related conservation methods appeared extremely important. Customers who understood these things appeared more likely to volunteer for the rate structure and demonstrated being receptive to the advertised behavior modifications. Those who did not volunteer appeared less likely to understand energy use and how different activities throughout the day affect their overall use and use during the peak periods.

As expected, the results of this study re-emphasize two key points:

1. Volunteers are much more likely to adjust their usage patterns in order to reduce (or shift) their electric usage, and

2. Additional educational materials are needed in order to allow our customers to better understand the practices they can use to provide any significant benefits (to the customer or the utility) of the Smart Grid and the Shift to Save Program.

In addition, the utility's experience with the study and assessment of its results influenced a number of changes at Lakeland Electric on a going-forward basis:

- 1. The Lakeland City Commission approved a new permanent 3 period time-of-use Residential rate (RSX-1) and ended the trial Residential rate (RST-1) effective 2-1-15.
- 2. The City Commission also approved revising the General Service Time of Day rate (GSX-1) from a two period to a three period rate as a result of the experience with STS.
- 3. The City Commission approved an optional Residential demand rate (RSD). We will monitor this rate to determine customer acceptance. If customers can reduce their monthly demand, both the customer and the utility will benefit. The customer will have a lower energy cost per month and the utility can defer capacity additions.
- 4. Lakeland Electric recently hired a Marketing Manager who will lead the efforts to promote the new rates.



2. Introduction

This report presents the Consumer Behavior Study (CBS) associated with award number DE-OE0000242. This study is a part of Lakeland Electric's "Smart Metering" infrastructure initiative designed to meet the capacity needs of Lakeland Electric's service territory with an environmentally conscious methodology. The Advanced Metering Infrastructure will create a 2-way communication channel that gives our utility the potential ability to influence behavior by offering direct incentives in the form of dynamic energy prices. In addition, the monitoring efforts will demonstrate how different behaviors lead to different patterns of energy consumption and drive costs, and also can allow consumers to learn through experimentation. Our study objectives are focused on five (5) primary areas:

- Promote efficiency and reduce electric consumption during peak times;
- Educate customers on pricing options, usage patterns, and peak times to enable them to make changes in their consumption behavior;
- Measure customer satisfaction with different pricing options;
- Determine the value and usefulness of the various pricing plans; and
- Compare Elect-in and Elect-out enrollment approaches.

A. Project Background

Lakeland Electric is the third largest publicly owned utility in Florida, servicing over 120,000 customers. While Lakeland Electric has always operated an efficient distribution system, receiving a Smart Grid Investment Grant (SGIG) from the Department of Energy (DOE) allowed for further automation and optimization of the distribution system. As a result of the grant, Lakeland Electric integrated Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) throughout the city of Lakeland over a two and a half year schedule. The economics of AMI metering devices provides many benefits, including providing a less expensive means to monitor and control distribution feeders, capacitor banks, reclosers, and critical switch locations on a much larger, system-wide scale.



B. Project Overview

Lakeland Electric's CBS is designed to learn more about how residential customers respond to timedifferentiated pricing. The study's new TOU trial rates (RST-1) were used for participating customers only, and provides periods where a time shift in energy consumption should result in a reduction of their energy cost. In addition, that same time shift in energy consumption should also allow the utility to realize reduced operating costs by lessening the use of less efficient generating units.

Lakeland Electric's current Ten Year Operating Plan (2014 - 2023) does not call for the construction of any new generating assets; however, new generating assets will be required after that time frame. This CBS will allow Lakeland Electric to better assess the effect of customer response to time-differentiated pricing in contributing to the future deferral of generating assets.

The overall encompassing goal of this study is to help Lakeland Electric and its residential customers better understand how to maximize energy savings from changes in residential energy-use behavior and help clarify what role the Smart Grid technologies might play.

Lakeland Electric has identified many benefits associated with the Smart Metering infrastructure:

- Deferral of capital spending for generation capacity;
- Improvements in system line losses;
- Environmental benefits resulting from reduced vehicle emissions as meter reads are automated;
- Helping customers better manage their overall energy usage and energy spending.

C. Questions of Interest Addressed in Study

Based on Lakeland Electric's study objectives and the benefits of a Smart Grid, this study was designed to address the following questions of interest:

- Would Lakeland Electric customers shift their energy consumption based on the RST-1 pricing?
- Would customer behavior be different based on enrollment status of volunteers versus being assigned?
- Would Lakeland Electric see a reduction in peak kWd by customers shifting their usage to offpeak and mid-peak?



3. Project Description

A. Design Elements

I. Target Population

Lakeland Electric has approximately 122,000 customers who are segmented into the following consumption groups:

- Residential
- Small Commercial
- Commercial Demand
- Industrial

For purposes of this study, Lakeland Electric only focused on residential customers for both treatment and control group participants.

Figure 1 represents a graph of the hourly Lakeland Electric System load from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. As evidenced by the graph, Lakeland Electric is a winter peaking utility. Typically, several times a winter, cold fronts trigger a peak demand caused by the need for early morning heat, along with other typical early morning residential home activity. In Figure 2, the residential class load is overlaid with system load on the week of January 8th (which was Lakeland's peak kWd week in 2010); clearly showing that the winter peaking dynamic at Lakeland Electric is predominately caused by residential load.





Figure 1 – Lakeland Electric System Load



System Load

Residential Load

Figure 2 – Winter Peak: System and Residential Contribution

II. Treatments

Standard Tiered Rate (RS)

The current standard Lakeland Electric rate for residential standard service (RS) is an inverted block, three-tier rate. The pricing applies to all energy (kWh) consumed in the billing period without regard to the time of consumption. The price per kWh increases based on the billing period usage of the customer in 500 kWh increments after the first 1,000 kWh. Table 1 shows the standard RS rate.



Residential Service (RS) Rate	Rate
Customer Charge	\$8.00
Energy Charge (without Fuel Charge)	Rate/kWh
First 1,000 kWh in the billing period	\$0.04882
1,001 kWh to 1,500 kWh	\$0.05382
All usage greater than 1,500 kWh	\$0.05882

Table 1 - Residential Standard Service Rate (RS)

Trial TOU Rate with Peak Period Definition (RST-1)

Lakeland's winter morning load peak is six hours long (6am to noon) with a pronounced spike between 7am to 9am. Winter evening load peak is five hours long (5pm to 10pm) with a broadly defined peak. The summer afternoon load peak is nine hours long (1pm to 10pm) with a broadly defined peak. The design of the trial TOU rate (RST-1) begins with Lakeland Electric's standard TOU rate (RSX-1), which has three (3) peak periods defined for the year; two (2) periods for winter and one (1) period for summer. The trial rate introduced a mid-peak period, which eliminates the winter afternoon peak pricing period entirely and reduces the duration of each remaining peak pricing period. The winter afternoon peak pricing period is re-designated as a mid-peak for two reasons as described below:

- If mid-peak hours in the winter evening period are designated off-peak hours, the customer has no price incentive to control consumption during these hours. While the winter evening peak is not as high as the winter morning peak, it is comparable to the summer peak, and therefore worth addressing.
- One of the pricing strategies for recharging electric vehicles is to encourage off-peak charging. Winter evening hours must deliver a price signal to electric vehicle owners that will discourage charging vehicles during the winter evening secondary peak.

Hourly TOU Schedule

All treatment customers were enrolled in the three period trial TOU rate (RST-1). This TOU rate has hours of On-Peak, Off-Peak, and Mid-Peak pricing periods. The TOU Winter Schedule was in effect from November through March and the TOU Summer Schedule from April through October. Table 2 shows the hours in each period of the RST-1 rate. The rate is designed to be revenue neutral.



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Season	Hour	RST-1	Season	Hour	RST-1
Winter	12 Mid	N	Summer	12 Mid	N
Winter	1 am	N	Summer	1 am	N
Winter	2 am	N	Summer	2 am	N
Winter	3 am	N	Summer	3 am	N
Winter	4 am	N	Summer	4 am	N
Winter	5 am	N	Summer	5 am	N
Winter	6 am	Р	Summer	6 am	N
Winter	7 am	Р	Summer	7 am	N
Winter	8am	Р	Summer	8am	N
Winter	9 am	Р	Summer	9 am	N
Winter	10 am	М	Summer	10 am	N
Winter	11 am	М	Summer	11 am	N
Winter	Noon	N	Summer	Noon	М
Winter	1 pm	N	Summer	1 pm	М
Winter	2 pm	N	Summer	2 pm	Р
Winter	3 pm	N	Summer	3 pm	Р
Winter	4 pm	N	Summer	4 pm	Р
Winter	5 pm	М	Summer	5 pm	Р
Winter	6 pm	М	Summer	6 pm	Р
Winter	7 pm	М	Summer	7 pm	Р
Winter	8 pm	М	Summer	8 pm	М
Winter	9 pm	М	Summer	9 pm	М
Winter	10 pm	N	Summer	10 pm	N
Winter	11 pm	N	Summer	11 pm	N

 Table 2 – Hourly Time of Use Schedule for Lakeland Electric

 (P - Denotes Peak Hour) (N – Denotes Off-Peak Hour) (M - Denotes Mid-peak Hour)

Table shows pricing¹ for TOU on weekdays only. Holidays and weekends are considered off-peak.

Trial Residential Rate Pricing for Time of Use (TOU)	Proposed Rate \$/kWh
RST-1 – Residential Trial TOU – 3 Periods	
(Energy Charge without Fuel Charge)	
Off-Peak	\$0.02435
Mid-Peak	\$0.0742
On-Peak	\$0.1113

Table 3 – Proposed Residential Rate Pricing for Trial Time of Use (TOU)

Recruitment Process

The flow chart below summarizes the Recruitment Process mapping. This flow chart is also shown in an expanded format in Appendix C



Lakeland Electric/DoE Consumer Behavior Recruitment and Study Process



Specifically, a subset of Lakeland's eligible residential customers was randomly selected to receive an offer to voluntarily participate in the new trial rate for this study. Of those who expressed an interest in affirmatively participating in the study, half were randomly assigned to Group 1 (Y1V). They were placed on the new trial rate in years 1 and 2 of the study while the other half were randomly assigned to Group 2 (Y2V). Group 2 remained under their existing tiered rate in year 1 and moved to the new trial rate in year 2.



The eligible residential customers who were not randomly selected to be part of the voluntary recruitment population were included in the assigned recruitment population. This smaller subset of customers were notified that they had been selected to take service under this new trial rate but could elect-out if they wanted to remain on their existing tiered rate. Those who did not elect-out were randomly assigned to either Group 3 (Y1A), who were placed on the new trial rate in years 1 and 2 of the study, or to Group 4 (Y2A), who remained on their existing tiered rate in year 1 and moved to the new trial rate in year 2.

The control groups for Year 1 consisted of the delayed treatment groups both Voluntary (Y2V) and Assigned (Y2A). There was no formal control group in Year 2 of the study.

Control and Treatment Group Sample Sizes

The minimum required sample sizes for the randomized control trial for a TOU pricing experiment were established by the DOE's Technical Advisory Group ("TAG") as 600 for the treatment group and 600 for the control group. Lakeland Electric selected a final sample size of 1000 per group, anticipating a reasonable number of early exits by participants.



III. Randomization & Assignment Methods

A randomized control trial design is foremost in the selection of customers to the defined study groups. During the early tasks of the SGIG project, Phase I, the Advanced Metering Infrastructure backbone was installed to allow the flexibility of activating customers anywhere on the Lakeland Electric system. The installment of AMI meters increased the eligible pool of customers.

B. Implementation

I. Project Schedule

Timeline

The installation of the smart meters began in March 2011. Next, treatment data was collected during the first 12 months of the Study and evaluated. An interim report that covered the design, operation, analysis and study results of the first Study period was completed and accepted by the DOE in February 2015. This final report is required by the DOE's Award Agreement. Due to unforeseen complications both the Interim and Final reports were delayed.

Evaluation and reporting dates for the Consumer Behavior Study are outlined in Table 4 below:

Reports/Evaluation	Target Date
"Preliminary" Draft of Consumer Behavior Study to DOE	11/1/2010
Final and Approved Study Plan	8/01/2011
Trial Rates approved by Utility Committee and City Commission	11/21/2011
First Study Evaluation (4/1/2012 – 3/31/2013)	3/31/2013
Strategy Review of CBSP Schedule and Progress with DOE/TAG	5/31/2013
Interim Report (from 1 st Study Evaluation) to DOE	7/1/2014
Second Study Evaluation (4/1/2013 – 3/31/2014)	3/31/2014
Data Collection and Study Period Ends	3/31/2014
Study Closeout	12/31/2014
Final Evaluation and Report	Q4 2014

Table 4 – Proposed Evaluation and Reporting Dates



Sequence

First Study Evaluation Period - During the first twelve (12) months of the study, the emphasis was on rate implementation and the launch of the marketing effort. Enrollment and usage data was collected for use in the evaluation.

In addition, Trial Rates were not adjusted during the study two year period. Similarly, the base rate charge was not changed throughout the study period; however the Fuel Adjustment charge was subject to quarterly adjustments and was adjusted several times.

Second Study Evaluation Period - Enrollment and data collection continued. Year 1 participants that continued through the end of Year 1 were allowed to continue their participation during Year 2. Year 2 participants were added to the study.

Final Evaluation, Other Analysis, and Reports – Lakeland Electric analyzed the data and prepared and submitted this report. The study results supported the decision to recommend a permanent 3 period TOU rate. Lakeland Electric also recently hired a Marketing Manager to guide its future marketing efforts.

II. Recruitment and Customer Retention Method

The Recruitment Packages consisted of the following items:

- Eligibility Letter: Provides a brief introduction to the study, describes key features, and informs eligible participants how to confirm participation.
- **Brochure**: Provides an explanation of all the key features of the program, including the option of price plans and the technology involved, such as the smart meters.
- **Confirmation Form**: This form had to be completed, signed and returned to the Lakeland Electric to enroll the customer's participation.
- **Pre-Study Survey** (Subsequently Sent): The participants were asked questions that will assist in the analysis of the data being collected. They were also asked to provide demographic information such as number of occupants, total square footage of home, average income, etc.



Participants in the study received a "Confirmation Package" approximately two weeks prior to the commencement of the study period.

These confirmation packages included include the following:

- Cover Letter: Sent to the customer to confirm that they are enrolled under the assigned rate plan.
- **Refrigerator Magnet**: Provides a reminder of the key program features, TOU schedules and how to contact customer service and utilize the Web Portal.
- **Customers' Bill Enhancement**: Participants received an additional letter each month with their bill. This letter compared the customers' bill on the TOU rate and what their bill would have been if they remained on the standard Tiered rate. It also indicated the Savings or Losses for the month.

Bill Protection Program

It was expected that some customers enrolled in the study would be skeptical of the advertised benefits and/or reluctant to change behavior patterns. In addition, the study could be perceived as a financial risk to the customers as well. In order to address this perception/reality, a financial guarantee was implemented. Customers who enrolled in the study were provided a "bill protection credit", where the customer would be provided with a calculated refund credit of the difference between their TOU bill and a calculated "standard tier rate" bill. This guarantee was active for the first six (6) month billings, if they elected to be removed from the study program during that time frame.

III. Recruitment and Customer Retention Experience

At the start of the study, Lakeland had deployed 45,000 AMI residential meters across their entire system. Lakeland randomly selected 40,000 residential AMI-enabled customers who would be asked to volunteer to the study by volunteering to take service under the utility's new experimental TOU rate. The remaining 5,000 customers who were not invited were instead included in the assigned study population and were told they would take service under the utility's new experimental TOU rate unless they indicated to the utility they wanted to remain on their existing tiered rate.

For the first phase of the "recruit and delay", 50% (1,017) of the Volunteer and (998) Assigned study population were respectively placed on the TOU rate. These customers began the six-month period of



bill protection and yearlong treatment period. The remaining Volunteer and Assigned customers were considered the "delayed" control group, as they remained on their existing rate in the first year of the study. At the beginning of the second year of the study, all "delayed" control group customers transitioned on to the TOU rate for a 12 month period, receiving bill protection for the first six months. The Year 1 treatment group participants (Voluntary and Assigned) who were still active were encouraged to remain on the study for Year 2 and most remained on the experimental rate (87 % for both the Voluntary and Assigned customers).

Consumer Behavior Treatment Groups Group Descriptions

Year 1 Volunteers (Y1V)

- This was the Opt-in group
- They are the customers that show interest in participating in the trial TOU rate
- They were asked to take a pre-study survey
- The first year's participants were randomly selected from this group
- They were the participants during year 1
- They were asked to take a post-study survey at end of year 1
- They were allowed to continue on the rate if they desired
- They took a post-study survey at end of year 2

Year 2 Volunteers (Y2V)

- This was the Recruit and Delay, Opt-in group
- They were the remaining customers not selected for Group 1 that showed interest in participating in the trial TOU rate
- They were asked to take a pre-study survey
- After the first year's participants were identified, then the remaining participants were informed that the trial is full for the first year and they were placed into the second year study group
- They did not participate during year 1
- They were asked to take another pre-study survey at end of year 1
- They started their study for year 2
- They were asked to take a post-study survey at end of year 2

Year 1 Assigned (Y1A)

- This is the Assigned group
- They were randomly selected customers that were asked to participate in the trial TOU rate
- Those that agreed were asked to take a pre-study survey
 - Those that did not agree (Group 3.1) were still asked if they would take a survey. Those that did were also asked to take a survey at end of years 1 & 2. These customers were used as an additional control group.
- They did participate during year 1
- They did take a post-study survey at end of year 1
- They were allowed to continue on the rate if they desired
- They were asked to take a post-study survey at end of year 2

Year 2 Assigned (Y2A)

- This is the Recruit and Delay, Assigned group
- After the 1st study another randomly selected group of customers were asked to participate in the trial TOU rate
- Those that agree were asked to take a pre-study survey
 - Those that did not agree (Group 4.1) were still asked if they would take a survey. Those that did were also asked to take a survey at end of year 2. These customers were used as an additional control group
- They participated during year 2



• They were asked to take a post-study survey at end of year 2

Analysis of (Volunteer) Group Table 5

Y1V	
# of Customer Volunteer Requests Sent	40,000
# of Requests Returned Volunteering	2,228
% of Customers that Volunteered	5.57%
# of Volunteer Participants at the Start of 1st year (random)	1,017
# of Participants Moving Out during 1st year	110
# of Participants Requesting Out during 1st year	266
# of Participants Completing Entire 1st year	641
% of Participants Completing Entire 1st year	63.03%
# of Participants Moving Out during 2nd year	49
# of Participants Requesting Out during 2nd year	37
# of Participants Completing Entire 2nd year	555
% of Participants Completing Entire 2nd year	86.58%
Y2V	
# of Volunteers Delayed Until Year 2 (control)	1,211
# of Volunteers Delayed requesting Out at Start of 2nd year	60
# of Volunteers Delayed Moved Out before Start of 2nd year	143
# of Volunteers Delayed until Start of 2nd year	1,008
% of Volunteers Delayed until Start of 2nd year	83.24%
# of Participants at the Start of 2nd year	1,008
# of Participants Moving Out during 2nd year	86
# of Participants Requesting Out during 2nd year	137
# of Participants Completing Entire 2nd year	785
% of Participants Completing Entire 1st year	77.88%



Analysis of (Assigned) Group Table 6

Y1A	
# of Customer Assignment Sent	4,999
# of Customers that Requested Out Initially	641
% of Customers that Requested Out Initially	12.82%
# of Assigned Customers at the Start of 1st year (random)	998
# of Participants Moving Out during 1st year	164
# of Participants Requesting Out during 1st year	142
# of Participants Completing Entire 1st year	692
% of Participants Completing Entire 1st year	69.34%
# of Participants Moving Out during 2nd year	74
# of Participants Requesting Out during 2nd year	15
# of Participants Completing 2nd Year	603
% of Participants Completing 2nd Year	87.14%
Y2A	
# of Assigned Customers Delayed Until 2nd Year (control)	3,360
# Not Randomly Selected	1,860
# of Assigned Customers Delayed at Start of 2nd year (Random)	1,500
% of Assigned Customers Delayed at Start of 2nd year	44.64%
# of Participants at the Start of 2nd Year	1,500
# of Participants Moving Out during 2nd year	128
# of Participants Requesting Out during 2nd year	244
# of Participants Completing Entire 2nd year	1,128
% of Participants Completing Entire 2nd year	75.20%

The retention rate in the 1st year for the Volunteer Group was 63.03 % while the retention rate for the Assigned Group for the 1st year was 69.34 %. We experienced almost identical retention rates for these groups when they continued on to the 2^{nd} year. The second year retention rates were 86.58 % and 87.14 % respectively.

The retention rate for the groups that started in the second year was higher. The 2^{nd} year Volunteer Group had a retention rate of 77.88 % while the retention rate for the 2^{nd} year Assigned Group was 75.20 %.



Unfortunately, no survey was conducted to determine the reasons that customers chose to leave the program during the first or second year. We therefore have no information to determine why we experienced these retention rates with the exception of the customers that moved.



Customer Engagement and Education

Lakeland Electric promoted new rate designs and emphasized the customer information features through the distribution of information that discussed in practical terms TOU billing and efficiency.

Initial participant education, beyond the material in the recruitment package, focused on engaging and educating the customer on the Smart Grid Initiative. The program required a multi-media campaign approach to promote and recruit participants. Communication medium such as direct mail brochures, company Web site, TV advertisements, and billboards also were utilized.

Education and Recruitment Materials – Focus Groups

As part of the CBS, Lakeland conducted a series of focus groups to obtain feedback from small, diverse groups of customers. Each group included up to 10 customers and lasted approximately 1.5 hours. The focus groups examined how best to communicate the complexities of the TOU rate to the average customer. In addition, the focus groups reviewed all materials that were sent to the participants.

Participant Surveys

As part of the CBS, Lakeland planned to conduct three surveys of the program participants. The surveys include:

- Baseline Survey This survey was conducted on all treatment and control group participants. The survey gathered basic demographic and attitudinal data;
- Follow-Up Survey This survey was conducted in year 2, approximately 1 year after the Volunteer and Assigned Treatment Groups' exposure to the TOU rate. The follow-up survey also obtained data on attitude and behaviors modified as a result of the TOU experience;
- 3. Close-Out Survey This survey was not performed.

The DOE and the Technical Advisory Group required a minimum set of survey questions to be asked of all program participants. These guidelines provided Lakeland Electric with a basis for our surveys².

² The survey sample can be found in Appendix A



4. Data

Data Collection – Interval Load Data

Lakeland Electric collected one (1) hour interval load data on all treatment and control group participants. Figure 3 displays an example of the type of data that is available for each of the treatment and control groups. The figure presents the average residential load from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 (January 11, 2010 was a new record peak day). The residential class peaks at 5.67 kW in the winter morning, i.e., 7 am. During the summer, the residential load peaks at 3.75 kW in the early evening, i.e., 6 pm. The hourly detail will allow us to roll-up the data into seasonal and TOU periods for analysis.



Figure 3 – Average Residential Load



Statistical Analysis

During year 1, the project was analyzed using direct comparison techniques under a treatment-control, i.e., test-control, experimental design. During year 2, the experimental design exposed the 1st Year's control customers to the TOU rate. This resulted in an inability to apply the same analysis technique. Due to a lack of experienced and knowledgeable resources capable of applying more complex analytical methods, no load impact analysis was performed for the 2nd year.

Study Metrics

Once the Study parameters and customer population of interest were identified and the data collected, Lakeland Electric evaluated the outcome, using direct comparison techniques.



A. Study Analysis and Observations

I. Definitions of Acronyms

- TY Trial Year (April 2012 April 2013)
- Y1V Interval data for year one Volunteer participants (4/12 4/13)
- Y1A Interval data for year one Assigned participants (4/12 4/13)
- Y2V Interval data for year two Volunteer participants during year one (4/12 4/13)
- Y2A Interval data for year two Assigned participants during year one (4/12 4/13)
- TU Total Use for the entire year (4/12-4/13)
- OPP On Peak Period
- OPPU On Peak Period Use Energy use during the entire On-Peak Period
- DPH Daily Peak Hour the kWh for the hour during day with highest System use
- DPP Daily Peak Period the total kWh for the OPP for the Day
- DPD Daily Peak Day the total kWh for each Peak Day
- TOU Day Any day which has an On Peak Period (no weekends or holidays)

• Analysis Calculations

- SPH (II-1a) System Peak Hour the hour during year with highest System use
 - This analysis compares kWh reduction between the treatment groups and the control groups for the one hour that is considered the System Peak Hour during the entire year.
- SPP (II-1b) System Peak Period the OPP for the day the system experiences the peak for the year.
 - This analysis compares the kWh reduction between the treatment groups and the control groups for the one OPP that occurs on the day in which the SPH occurs.
- MPH (III-1a) Monthly Peak Hour the hour during the Month with highest System use
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups for the one hour each month that is considered the Monthly Peak Hour for that month.
- MPP (III-1b) Monthly Peak Period the OPP for the MPD
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups for the OPPU each month that contains the Monthly Peak Hour (MPH).



- YDPH (III-2a) Year Daily Peak Hour total of peak hours for the entire year
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups for the totals of the peak hour each day for the entire year.
- **YPD** (**III-2b**) Year Peak Day Total of all DPP
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups for the totals of the DPP for the entire year.
- SPD% (IV-1a) System Peak Day % the day in which the SPH occurs
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups % of energy use On Peak verses Off and Mid Peak use on the day the SPH occurs.
- \circ MPD% (IV-1b) Monthly Peak Day % the day in which the MPH occurs
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups % of energy use On Peak verses Off and Mid Peak use on the day each month the MPH occurs.
- YDPP% (IV-1c) Year Daily Peak Period % total of hours during the DPP for the entire year
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups % of energy use On Peak verses Off and Mid Peak use for the totals of the DPP for the entire year.
- SDPD (V-1a) System Peak Day kWh the day in which the SPH occurs
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups kWh energy use for the entire day the SPH occurs.
- MDPD (V-1b) Monthly Peak Day kWh the day in which the MPH occurs
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups kWh energy use for the entire day each month the MPH occurs.
- YDPD (V-1c) Year Daily Peak Day kWh total of hours during the DPP for the entire year
 - This analysis compares the treatment groups and the control groups kWh energy use for every day of the year.



Note on the manipulation of the data:

The resulting data used in the following analysis is the data that resulted after we applied the following basic parameter to the raw data in order to remove obvious data collection and recording errors.

- All data points with negative numbers or a value over 50 kWh become blank data points.
 - The rationale for eliminating negative numbers was due to the fact that no one in the survey could produce a negative number, since none of the meters were reverse flow meters.
 - The rationale for eliminating numbers above 50 kWh was that only a handful of customers on our system can actually consume greater than 50 kWh, and none of them were in any of the survey groups.
 - o 0 kWh interval reads were allowed to remain since this can be a valid data point for the Residential class.



- II. Determine the <u>change</u> of <u>peak demand reduction</u> in <u>kWh</u> occurring as a result of the TOU rate. The following comparison will be performed for the "Volunteered" and "Assigned" groups;
 - 1. Compare System Peak kWh usage of participants to control group
 - a) System Peak Hour (SPH) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select SPH
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for SPH
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for SPH
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for SPH
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for SPH
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	Adjusted Sum					A	djusted	d Cou	nt		Y1A		Y1V			
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings L	ower Cl	Upper Cl		Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
Thu.Aug.09, 2012 17:00	10,708	4,067	3,184	3,183		3,324	1,200	985	1,006	0.01	0.17	(0.14)		(0.22)	(0.06)	(0.39)

<u>Analysis 1</u>

Y1V customers reduced their usage on average by 0.22 kWh on the System Peak Hour compared to Y2V. This impact estimate is statistically significant. Y1A customers increased their usage on average by 0.01 kWh on the System Peak Hour compared to Y2A. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.



- b) System Peak Period (SPP) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select SPP
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for SPP
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for SPP
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for SPP
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for SPP
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	Adjusted Sum					Α	djuste	d Cour	nt		Y1A		Y1V			
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings L	ower Cl	Upper Cl	9	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
<u>Thu.Aug.09, 2012 15:00 - 20:00</u>	48,993	18,327	14,644	14,259		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.09	0.84	(0.65)		(1.11)	(0.31)	(1.91)

Analysis 2

Y1V customers reduced their usage by an average of 1.11 kWh on System Peak Period hours compared to Y2V. This impact estimate is statistically significant.

Y1A customers increased their usage by an average of 0.09 kWh on System Peak Period hours compared to Y2A. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.



- III. Determine the change of peak period usage in kWh occurring as a result of the TOU rate. The following comparison will be performed for the "Volunteered" and "Assigned" groups;
 - 1. Compare Monthly Peak average kWh usage of participants to control group
 - a) Monthly Peak Hour (MPH) (2 comparisons for 12 months)
 - 1) Select MPH
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for MPH
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for MPH
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for MPH
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for MPH
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

		Adjuste	d Sum		А	djuste	d Cour	nt		Y1A			Y1V	
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
Tue.Apr.03, 2012 18:00	9,184	3,296	2,690	2,500	3,324	1,201	969	993	0.01	0.16	(0.13)	(0.23)	(0.07)	(0.38)
Wed.May 23, 2012 17:00	9,873	3,696	2,977	2,835	3,327	1,200	985	1,005	0.05	0.20	(0.10)	(0.26)	(0.10)	(0.42)
Wed.Jun.13, 2012 18:00	10,685	4,116	3,134	3,089	3,331	1,203	987	1,007	(0.03)	0.12	(0.19)	(0.35)	(0.19)	(0.52)
Mon.Jul.09, 2012 15:00	10,127	3,878	3,007	2,946	3,325	1,201	985	1,006	0.01	0.15	(0.14)	(0.30)	(0.14)	(0.46)
Thu.Aug.09, 2012 17:00	10,708	4,067	3,184	3,183	3,324	1,200	985	1,006	0.01	0.17	(0.14)	(0.22)	(0.06)	(0.39)
Tue.Sep.04, 2012 17:00	10,006	3,713	2,971	2,978	3,325	1,200	985	1,006	0.01	0.16	(0.14)	(0.13)	0.02	(0.29)
Thu.Oct.04, 2012 17:00	8,568	3,163	2,488	2,560	3,326	1,200	985	1,005	(0.05)	0.09	(0.19)	(0.09)	0.06	(0.23)
Mon.Nov.26, 2012 08:00	6,693	2,695	2,003	2,252	3,324	1,200	984	1,006	0.02	0.18	(0.13)	(0.01)	0.17	(0.19)
Sun.Dec.23, 2012 09:00	10,257	4,044	3,064	3,464	3,324	1,200	984	1,005	0.03	0.23	(0.18)	0.08	0.32	(0.17)
Thu.Jan.24, 2013 08:00	7,915	3,099	2,340	2,487	3,323	1,201	984	1,006	(0.00)	0.17	(0.18)	(0.11)	0.08	(0.30)
Mon.Feb.18, 2013 08:00	10,873	4,544	3,243	3,413	3,322	1,201	983	1,005	0.03	0.27	(0.22)	(0.39)	(0.11)	(0.67)
Thu.Mar.07, 2013 08:00	8,547	3,381	2,567	2,738	3,324	1,201	984	1,006	0.04	0.24	(0.17)	(0.09)	0.15	(0.34)

Analysis 3

Y1V customers reduced their kWh usage in 11 of the 12 Monthly Peak Hour measurements. These impact estimates are statistically significant in 6 of the 12 months (April, May, June, July, August, and February).

Y1A customers reduced their kWh usage in 3 of the 12 Monthly Peak Hour measurements. None of the impact estimates are statistically significant.



- b) Monthly Peak Period (MPP) (2 comparisons for 12 months)
 - 1) Select MPP
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for MPP
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for MPP
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for MPP
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for MPP
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

		Adjust	ed Sum		A	djuste	d Cou	nt		Y1A		Y1V			
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	
Tue.Apr.03, 2012 15:00 - 20:00	50,529	17,854	14,974	13,426	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	(0.03)	0.69	(0.76)	(1.54)	(0.80)	(2.29)	
Wed.May 23, 2012 15:00 - 20:00	41,943	14,949	12,630	11,316	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.17	0.86	(0.52)	(1.22)	(0.48)	(1.96)	
Wed.Jun.13, 2012 15:00 - 20:00	42,367	15,551	12,738	11,867	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.15	0.84	(0.53)	(1.17)	(0.45)	(1.90)	
Mon.Jul.09, 2012 15:00 - 20:00	48,642	18,028	14,465	13,832	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.02	0.74	(0.70)	(1.29)	(0.52)	(2.05)	
<u>Thu.Aug.09, 2012 15:00 - 20:00</u>	48,993	18,327	14,644	14,259	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.09	0.84	(0.65)	(1.11)	(0.31)	(1.91)	
Tue.Sep.04, 2012 15:00 - 20:00	34,671	12,696	10,568	9,831	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.27	0.87	(0.33)	(0.82)	(0.14)	(1.49)	
Thu.Oct.04, 2012 15:00 - 20:00	30,865	11,182	9,291	8,733	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.12	0.66	(0.41)	(0.65)	(0.08)	(1.21)	
Mon.Nov.26, 2012 07:00 - 10:00	9,752	3,709	2,985	2,978	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.09	0.30	(0.12)	(0.14)	0.11	(0.38)	
Sun.Dec.23, 2012 07:00 - 10:00	24,670	9,773	7,554	7,581	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.23	0.75	(0.29)	(0.62)	(0.02)	(1.21)	
Thu.Jan.24, 2013 07:00 - 10:00	8,665	3,101	2,601	2,544	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.03	0.18	(0.13)	(0.06)	0.13	(0.24)	
Mon.Feb.18, 2013 07:00 - 10:00	12,103	4,184	3,382	3,451	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	(0.21)	0.07	(0.50)	(0.06)	0.28	(0.40)	
Thu.Mar.07, 2013 07:00 - 10:00	12,153	4,411	3,589	3,413	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	(0.02)	0.27	(0.31)	(0.29)	0.02	(0.59)	

Analysis 4

Y1V customers reduced their kWh usage in 12 of the 12 Monthly Peak Periods measurements. These impact estimates are statistically significant in 8 of the 12 months (April, May, June, July, August, September, October, and December).

Y1A customers reduced their kWh usage in 3 of the 12 Monthly Peak Periods measurements. None of these impact estimates are statistically significant.



- 2. Compare Year average peak kWh usage of participants to control group
 - a) Year Daily Peak Hour (YDPH) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select DPH
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for All DPH in TY
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for All DPH in TY
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for All DPH in TY
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for All DPH in TY
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	A	djuste	d Cou	nt		Y1A		Y1V					
Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
2,642,850	974,197	788,705	759,341	3,325	1,201	985	1,006	5.80	132.15	(120.56)	(56.44)	4.77	(117.64)

<u>Analysis 5</u>

Y1V customers reduced their usage by an average of 56.44 kWh on the total of the YDPH compared to Y2V. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.

Y1A customers increased their usage by an average of 5.80 kWh on the total of the YDPH compared to Y2A. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.



- b) Year Daily Peak Day (YDPP) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select DPP
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for All DPP in TY
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for All DPP in TY
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for All DPP in TY
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for All DPP in TY
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

Adjusted Sum					Α	djuste	d Cou	nt	Y1A			Y1V			
Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl		
13,008,025	4,823,440	3,891,661	3,731,011		3,325	1,201	985	1,006	38.83 1085.81	(1008.16)	(308.21)	147.95	(764.37)		

<u>Analysis 6</u>

Y1V customers reduced their usage by an average of 308.21 kWh on the total of the YDPP compared to Y2V. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.

Y1A customers increased their usage by an average of 38.83 kWh on the total of the YDPP compared to Y2A. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.



- IV. Determine how much load in % is used during higher priced on-peak periods as compared to lower priced off-peak and mid-peak periods.
 Lakeland Electric estimated that up to 5% of a customer's load will be shifted from on-peak to off-peak (other) periods;
 - 1. Compare total Peak usage to Total energy use
 - a) System Peak Day % (SPD%) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select SPD
 - 2) Total Y1V OPPU, TU and count for SPD
 - 3) Total Y1A OPPU, TU and count for SPD
 - 4) Total Y2V OPPU, TU and count for SPD
 - 5) Total Y2A OPPU, TU and count for SPD
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average % savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	Adjusted Peak Hours			Adjusted Peak Day						Adj C	ount			Y1A %				Y1V %		
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A Y2V Y1A Y1V				Savings Lower CI Upper CI			(Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
<u>Thu.Aug.09, 2012</u>	48,993	18,327	14,644	14,259	170,690	63,705	51,732	50,298		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.63%	5.73%	-4.47%.		-7.35%.	-2.06%.	-12.65%.

<u>Analysis 7</u>

Y1V reduced an average of 7.35% from their usage during Peak Periods. This impact estimate is statistically significant.

Y1A increased an average of 0.63% from their usage during Peak Periods. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.



- b) Monthly Peak Day % (MPD%) usage (2 comparisons for 12 months)
 - 1) Select MPD
 - 2) Total Y1V OPPU, TU and count for MPD
 - 3) Total Y1A OPPU, TU and count for MPD
 - 4) Total Y2V OPPU, TU and count for MPD
 - 5) Total Y2A OPPU, TU and count for MPD
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average % savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	A	djusted I	Peak Hou	urs	A	djusted	Peak Day	y		Adj C	ount			Y1A %			Y1V %	
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
Tue.Apr.03, 2012	50,529	17,854	14,974	13,426	128,235	45,029	38,223	35,063	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	-0.23%.	4.56%	-5.02%.	-10.46%.	-5.41%.	-15.50%.
Wed.May 23, 2012	41,943	14,949	12,630	11,316	151,112	55,563	45,879	43,053	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.38%	6.89%	-4.13%.	-9.87%.	-3.87%.	-15.86%.
Wed.Jun.13, 2012	42,367	15,551	12,738	11,867	159,501	58,875	48,125	45,620	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.22%	6.65%	-4.20%.	-9.13%.	-3.49%.	-14.78%.
Mon.Jul.09, 2012	48,642	18,028	14,465	13,832	171,137	62,737	51,095	48,786	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.12%	5.10%	-4.86%.	-8.64%.	-3.48%.	-13.80%.
<u>Thu.Aug.09, 2012</u>	48,993	18,327	14,644	14,259	170,690	63,705	51,732	50,298	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.63%	5.73%	-4.47%.	-7.35%.	-2.06%.	-12.65%.
Tue.Sep.04, 2012	34,671	12,696	10,568	9,831	160,122	57,927	47,862	46,275	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	2.62%	8.45%	-3.22%.	-7.79%.	-1.35%.	-14.24%.
Thu.Oct.04, 2012	30,865	11,182	9,291	8,733	129,740	46,587	38,520	37,789	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.35%	7.18%	-4.48%.	-7.00%.	-0.91%.	-13.10%.
Mon.Nov.26, 2012	9,752	3,709	2,985	2,978	108,057	39,930	32,601	32,511	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	3.06%	10.34%	-4.23%.	-4.41%.	3.53%	-12.35%.
Sun.Dec.23, 2012	24,670	9,773	7,554	7,581	165,951	63,609	50,583	52,351	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	3.09%	10.17%	-3.99%.	-7.63%.	-0.24%.	-15.02%.
Thu.Jan.24, 2013	8,665	3,101	2,601	2,544	114,719	43,601	33,963	34,475	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.07%	7.05%	-4.90%.	-2.31%.	4.90%	-9.53%.
Mon.Feb.18, 2013	12,103	4,184	3,382	3,451	168,090	64,458	49,406	49,486	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	-5.92%.	1.92%	-13.76%.	-1.78%.	8.14%	-11.70%.
Thu.Mar.07, 2013	12,153	4,411	3,589	3,413	136,570	51,333	40,641	40,430	3,360	1,211	998	1,017	-0.59%.	7.44%	-8.62%.	-7.86%.	0.60%	-16.32%.

<u>Analysis 8</u>

Y1V customers reduced their % of load in 12 of the 12 months from Peak Periods. These impact estimates are statistically significant in 8 of the 12 months (April, May, June, July, August, September, October, and December).

Y1A customers reduced their % of load in 3 of the 12 months from Peak Periods. None of these impact estimates are statistically significant.



- c) Yearly usage for Daily Peak Periods % (YPD%) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select DPP
 - 2) Total Y1V OPPU, TU and count for every TOU day
 - 3) Total Y1A OPPU, TU and count for every TOU day
 - 4) Total Y2V OPPU, TU and count for every TOU day
 - 5) Total Y2A OPPU, TU and count for every TOU day
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average % savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

		Adjusted P	eak Hours			Adjusted Peak Day						ount			Y1A %		Y1V %
	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A Y2V Y1A Y1V				Savings	Lower CI Upper CI	Savings	Lower Cl Upper Cl
1	13,008,025	4,823,440	3,891,661	3,731,011	44,140,084	15,982,415	13,196,647	12,631,850		3,325	1,201	985	1,006	0.99%	27.75% - <mark>25.77%</mark> .	-7.67%.	3.68% -19.03%.

<u>Analysis 9</u>

Y1V reduced an average of 7.67% from their usage during all Peak Periods. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.

Y1A increased an average of 0.99% from their usage during all Peak Periods. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.



- Establish the amount of <u>net energy savings</u> in <u>kWh</u>. The cross sectional experimental design will allow comparison of the amount of energy consumed by test participants and control participants as a measure of net energy savings. Furthermore, the longitudinal component of the study will allow Lakeland Electric to observe change in customers use from year 1 to year 2;
 - 1. Compare treatment groups total kWh usage.
 - a) System Peak Day kWh (SDPD) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select SPD
 - 2) Total Y1V TU and count for SPD
 - 3) Total Y1A TU and count for SPD
 - 4) Total Y2V TU and count for SPD
 - 5) Total Y2A TU and count for SPD
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	Adjusted Sum					Adjusted Count						Y1A		Y1V			
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	
Thu.Aug.09, 2012	170,689.9	63,704.5	51,732.4	50,297.8		3,360	1,211	998	1,017		1.04	3.32	(1.25)	(3.15)	(0.67)	(5.63)	

<u>Analysis 10</u>

Y1V customers reduced their daily usage by an average of 3.15 kWh on the SPD compared to Y2V. This impact estimate is statistically significant.

Y1A customers increased their daily usage by an average of 1.04 kWh on the SPD compared to Y2A. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.


- b) Monthly Peak Day kWh (MDPD) (2 comparisons for 12 months)
 - 1) Select MPD
 - 2) Total Y1V TU and count for MPD
 - 3) Total Y1A TU and count for MPD
 - 4) Total Y2V TU and count for MPD
 - 5) Total Y2A TU and count for MPD
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

	Adjusted Sum			Adjusted Sum Adjusted Count			Y1A			Y1V					
System CP	Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
Tue.Apr.03, 2012	128,235.2	45,029.2	38,222.6	35,062.7		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.13	1.86	(1.59)	(2.71)	(0.93)	(4.49)
Wed.May 23, 2012	151,111.7	55,563.3	45,879.1	43,052.5		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.00	3.06	(1.06)	(3.55)	(1.38)	(5.72)
Wed.Jun.13, 2012	159,500.7	58,874.5	48,125.2	45,620.1		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.75	2.92	(1.41)	(3.76)	(1.45)	(6.07)
Mon.Jul.09, 2012	171,137.1	62,736.9	51,094.7	48,785.9		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.26	2.56	(2.04)	(3.84)	(1.40)	(6.27)
<u>Thu.Aug.09, 2012</u>	170,689.9	63,704.5	51,732.4	50,297.8		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.04	3.32	(1.25)	(3.15)	(0.67)	(5.63)
Tue.Sep.04, 2012	160,122.1	57,927.2	47,862.3	46,275.3		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.30	2.49	(1.88)	(2.33)	(0.07)	(4.60)
Thu.Oct.04, 2012	129,739.8	46,586.6	38,520.4	37,788.5		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	(0.02)	1.83	(1.86)	(1.31)	0.57	(3.20)
Mon.Nov.26, 2012	108,057.3	39,930.0	32,601.2	32,510.7		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.51	2.14	(1.12)	(1.01)	0.66	(2.67)
Sun.Dec.23, 2012	165,951.1	63,609.1	50,582.8	52,351.0		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	1.29	3.81	(1.22)	(1.05)	1.75	(3.85)
Thu.Jan.24, 2013	114,718.6	43,600.5	33,962.6	34,475.0		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	(0.11)	1.56	(1.79)	(2.10)	(0.33)	(3.88)
Mon.Feb.18, 2013	168,090.0	64,457.5	49,406.4	49,486.3		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	(0.52)	1.90	(2.95)	(4.57)	(1.89)	(7.25)
Thu.Mar.07, 2013	136,570.2	51,333.5	40,641.4	40,430.3		3,360	1,211	998	1,017	0.08	2.12	(1.97)	(2.63)	(0.36)	(4.91)

<u>Analysis 11</u>

Y1V customers reduced their daily usage in 12 of the 12 months during the on peak day compared to Y2V. These impact estimates are statistically significant in 9 of the 12 months (April, May, June, July, August, September, January, February, and March).

Y1A customers reduced their daily usage in 3 of the 12 months during the on peak day compared to Y2A. None of these impact estimates are statistically significant



- c) Year Daily Peak Period kWh (YDPD) (2 comparisons)
 - 1) Select DPD
 - 2) Total Y1V energy use and count for All DPD in TY
 - 3) Total Y1A energy use and count for All DPD in TY
 - 4) Total Y2V energy use and count for All DPD in TY
 - 5) Total Y2A energy use and count for All DPD in TY
 - 6) Calculate Lower and Upper CI (Confidence Interval)
 - 7) Compare Average kWh savings of
 - a) Y1V with Y2V
 - b) Y1A with Y2A

Adjusted Sum			Adjusted Count			Y1A				Y1V				
Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V		Y2A	Y2V	Y1A	Y1V	Savings Lov	wer Cl	Upper Cl	Savings	Lower Cl	Upper Cl
44,140,084	15,982,415	13,196,647	12,631,850		3,325	1,201	985	1,006	122.70 1,8	836.55	(1,591.16)	(753.64)	22.69	(1,529.96)

Analysis 12

Y1V customers reduced their daily usage by an average of 753.64 kWh on the total of the YDPD compared to Y2V. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.

Y1A customers increased their daily usage by an average of 122.70 kWh on the total of the YDPD compared to Y2A. This impact estimate is not statistically significant.

Analysis of the Effect of TOU rate on the Customer's Electric Bill – Savers vs Non-Savers

The following table (Table 7) recaps whether or not the customers saved on their electric bill during the Winter Season or the Summer Season for all 4 treatment groups. It was consistent that over 90 % of all treatment groups were "savers" on the TOU rate during the Winter Season but only 50 % or less of the customers in all treatment groups were "savers" on the TOU during the Summer Season.



Analysis of Savers vs Non-Savers Table 7

		# Saver	% of Group	Average Monthly Saving \$	Average Monthly Saving %	# Non Saver	% of Group	Average Monthly Saving \$	Average Monthly Saving %
Y1V			•						
Y1V Volunteers Completing Year 1	641								
Winter		589	91.89%	\$10.86	10.19%	52	8.11%	(\$3.34)	-3.38%
Summer		324	50.55%	\$7.64	5.13%	317	49.45%	(\$5.40)	-4.31%
Overall for Y1V in Year 1				\$4.74	4.06%				
Y1V Volunteers Completing Year 2	555								
Winter		512	92.25%	\$11.18	9.91%	43	7.75%	(\$3.52)	-3.31%
Summer		264	47.57%	\$7.82	5.13%	291	52.43%	(\$5.90)	-4.57%
Overall for Y1V in Year 2				\$4.62	3.80%				
Y1A									
Y1A Assigned Completing Year 1	692								
Winter		632	91.33%	\$12.62	10.53%	60	8.67%	(\$4.14)	-3.47%
Summer		305	44.08%	\$7.10	3.84%	387	55.92%	(\$5.77)	-4.22%
Overall for Y1A in Year 1				\$4.63	3.52%				
Y1A Assigned Completing Year 2	603								
Winter		563	93.37%	\$12.71	10.42%	40	6.63%	(\$3.54)	- <mark>2</mark> .98%
Summer		260	43.12%	\$7.00	3.85%	343	56.88%	(\$6.04)	-4.49%
Overall for Y1A in Year 2				\$4.61	3.46%				
Y2V									
Y2V Volunteers Completing Year 2	785								
Winter		722	91.97%	\$11.60	9.40%	63	8.03%	(\$3.67)	-3.22%
Summer		324	41.27%	\$8.77	4.76%	461	58.73%	(\$6.42)	-4.90%
Overall for Y2V				\$4.37	3.08%				
Y2A									
Y2A Assigned Completing Year 2	1,128								
Winter		1042	92.38%	\$11.72	10.03%	86	7.62%	(\$3.53)	-3.11%
Summer		480	42.55%	\$6.63	4.06%	648	57.45%	(\$6.39)	-4.81%
Overall for Y2A				\$3.91	3.16%				

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Interpretation of the data in Table 7

Every electric bill for every treatment customer for every month was analyzed to determine if the customer was a "saver" or a "non-saver" on the experimental TOU rate compared to the standard Residential rate. The table indicates that 91.3 % to 93.4 % of all treatment customers were savers on the TOU rate during the Winter Season which includes the months of November through March. These customers saved from \$10.86 to \$12.71 per month representing 10.19 % to 10.53 % of their monthly bill. The table indicates that only 41.3 % to 50.6 % of the treatment customers were savers on the TOU rate during the Summer Season which includes the months of April through October. These customers saved from \$6.63 to \$8.77 per month representing 4.06 % to 4.76 % of their monthly bill.

Two specific examples from the table are listed to facilitate understanding the numbers.

Example 1: Of the 641 Year 1 Customers in the volunteer group that completed the first year, 589 customers (91.89 %) saved an average of \$10.86 per month during the Winter Season on the TOU rate. This represents approximately 10.19 % of their average monthly Winter Season bill. Conversely, 52 customers (8.11 %) experienced an average increase on their electric bill of \$3.34, representing 3.38 % of their average monthly bill, as a result of the TOU Winter Season rate.

Example 2: Of the 1128 Year 2 Customers in the volunteer group that completed the second year, 480 customers (42.55 %) saved an average of \$6.63 per month during the Summer Season on the TOU rate. This represents approximately 4.06 % of their average monthly Summer Season bill. Conversely, 648 customers (57.45 %) experienced an average increase on their electric bill of \$6.39, representing 4.81 % of their average monthly bill, as a result of the TOU Summer Season rate.

There did not appear to be any significant difference in savings whether the customer was in the Volunteer or Assigned group. However, all customers that remained on the TOU rate did save overall. This data is biased since customers were allowed to elect to be removed from the program and be made whole during the first 6 months of being on the TOU rate.



5. Conclusions

Data analysis was conducted to develop 12 different load impact metrics (listed in the Data Section of this report). Customers in the Voluntary treatment group produced statistically significant reductions in load on the system coincident peak hour (-0.22), peak period (-1.11), and peak day (-3.15 and -7.35%). At a monthly level, customers in the Voluntary treatment group consistently produced a statistically significant reduction in electricity consumption in the peak hour, peak period, and peak day in at least the first five months of the study (April-August). Thereafter, monthly load impacts were sporadically statistically significant for all metrics. This resulted in none of the Yearly load impacts being statistically significant. It does not appear that the Peak period usage reductions reflect a shift in usage but was rather overall energy conservation across all time periods. None of the Assigned Group's load impact metrics were statistically significant, and most reflected a slight increase in consumption when a decrease was expected.

The education of our customers about energy in general and specifically about TOU rate and related conservation methods appeared extremely important. Customers who understood these things appeared more likely to volunteer for the rate structure and demonstrated being receptive to the advertised behavior modifications. Those who did not volunteer appeared less likely to understand energy use and how different activities throughout the day affect their overall use and use during the peak periods.

As expected, the results of this study re-emphasize two key points:

1. Volunteers are much more likely to adjust their usage patterns in order to reduce (or shift) their electric usage, and

2. Additional educational materials are needed in order to allow our customers to better understand the practices they can use to provide any significant benefits (to the customer or the utility) of the Smart Grid and the Shift to Save Program.

Although the trial TOU rates did not appear to cause a shift in usage from Peak demand, the customers were still able to reduce their electric bill on average while on the TOU rate for the entire year. This was one of the reasons we were able to convince the Lakeland City Commission to approve a permanent



three period Residential TOU rate and revised the General Service Time of Day rate (GSX-1) from a 2 period to a three period rate. The City Commission also approved an optional Demand Rate. We will monitor this rate to determine customer acceptance. If customers can reduce their monthly peak demand, both the customer and the utility will benefit. The customer will have a lower energy cost and the utility will be able to defer capacity additions. Marketing plans are currently under development to promote the new rates.



6. Appendices

Appendix A - Survey Instrument



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form. Numbers between the endpoints of the scales represent intermediate values.

Instructions: For each of the following questions, please bubble in the circle that most

closely approximates your answer. Use a black or blue pen or a #2 pencil to mark the

Not Like This> x ග්	ĺ

The following survey is sponsored by Lakeland Electric, your local electric power provider. It is designed to help us understand our customers better. Please take a few minutes to answer the survey, then mail it back in the postage paid envelope. The survey is strictly confidential. Please do not include your name, address, or anything else that could identify you. Thank you in advance for your time and answers.

1. Do you own or rent your home? O Own O Rent	
2. What type of residence do you live in? Do you live in a	
O Single family	
O Duplex or two-family	
O Apartment/condo in a 2-4 unit building	
O Apartment/condo in a greater than 4 unit building	
O Townhouse or row house (adjacent walls to another house)	
O Mobile home house trailer	
3. Does your home have central air conditioning? O Yes	O No
4. Do you have any window unit air conditioners? O Yes (a	answer question 5) O No (skip to question 6)
5. How many window unit air conditioners do you have?	
6. Do you have a programmable thermostat? O Yes (a	answer question 7) O No (skip to question 8)
7. Is the programmable thermostat currently set to automatically change temperatures during the day when no one is home?	⊖ Yes ⊃ No
8. Do you have an electric clothes dryer? O Yes	⊖ No
9. Including yourself, how many adults, 18 or over, currently live in your household?	
10. And how many of these adults are over 65?	
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household at least part of the week?		
12. Do you or does anyone in your household have a chronic illness or disability that requires regular or occasional in-home medical treatment?	() Yes () No	
13. Is there someone home Monday to Friday sometime between 1 PM and 5 PM at least one day a week?	⊖Yes ⊖No	
14. Is there anyone in your household working full time for pay?	() Yes (answer question	n 15) O No (skip to question 16)
15. Do you or anyone in your household have a job where you work at home at least one weekday a week rather than go into an office or some other location?	() Yes () No	
16. Do you remember receiving information from your utility asking you to participate in a utility pilot program?	O Yes (answer questio	n 17) O No (skip to question 18)
17. Was the information useful in helping you decide whether or not to participate in the pilot?	O Yes O No	
18. What is the primary language spoken in your home?	O English O Viet	namese
	O Spanish O Rus	sian
	O Chinese O Othe	er
	() Korean	
19. Last year- that is, in 2010- what was your total household income from all sources before taxes?	O Less than \$10,000	O \$75-99,999
	O \$10-24,999	O \$100-149,999
	○ \$25-49,999	\$150,000 or more
	O \$50-74,999	
20. What is the LAST grade or class that you COMPLETED in school?		
O None, or grade 1-8		

O High School incomplete (grade 9-11)

O High School graduate (12 or GED certificate)

O Technical, trade, or vocational school AFTER high school

O Some college, no four-year degree (includes associate degree)

O College graduate (B.S., B.A., or other four-year degree)

O Post-graduate or professional schooling after college (towards Master's degree or Ph.D., law, or medical school)

21. How many central air conditioning units do you have?

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22. Do you have a swimming pool pump?	() Yes	O No
23. Do you have any solar electric panels?	() Yes	O №
24. Do you have any solar hot water heater panels?	O Yes	ON₀
25. How many bedrooms are there in your primary residence?		
26. How many bathrooms are there in your primary residence?		
27. Do you have internet access in your primary residence?	O Yes	O No

28. Following are a list of things some people do and some don't. Please bubble in the things you normally do.

- O In the winter, I keep the heat on so that I do not have to wear a sweater.
- O I wait until I have a full load before doing my laundry.
- O In the winter, I leave the windows open for long periods of time to let in fresh air.
- O I wash dirty clothes without prewashing.
- O In the winter, I crank up the heat when I get up to warm the house.
- O In the summer, I turn the air conditioner to a lower temperature so the house does not get too hot.
- O I usually turn off the lights in a room when I leave the room.
- O I usually set the thermostat at 68 degrees or lower in the winter.
- O I usually raise the thermostat to at least 76 degrees or higher, or use the air conditioner less, in the summer.
- O I have already switched or plan to switch to the new, energy efficient fluorescent compact light bulbs (CFLs).

This concludes our survey. Thank you for your time and answers. Now please put the survey in the postage paid envelope and mail it back to us.



Appendix B Consumer Behavior Treatment Groups Recruitment Process



first 6 months, if they drop out, their bills ded so that they were hat they would have	
ed in their previous	
ets web-based energy	
n): TOU rate in year 1 (1020 customers)	
delayed, current rate in year 1, ear 2 (1213 customers)	
e-out): TOU rate in year 1 000 customers)	
: delayed, current rate in year year 2 (3368 customers)	



Appendix C Consumer Behavior Treatment Groups Recruitment and Study Process





Figure 4 - Groups Recruitment and Study Process



Appendix D Marketing Instruments

I. Recruitment Letter for Assigned Customers



Dear Valued Customer,

One of the greatest advantages of having your new Smart Meter is that it now allows us to offer you a **new rate plan** that could **lower your electric bill**. It's called "Shift-to-Save." If you can shift some of your power usage to times of the day when power costs us less to generate ("Off-Peak"), you should be able to save money on your electric bill.

As a part of a trial study for the U.S. Department of Energy, **you have been selected at random to participate in the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan**. Please read the enclosed brochure for more details on the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan and how it compares to the Standard Rate Plan. After reading the brochure, we hope you'll be enthusiastic about being one of the first to experience and evaluate the benefits of the new rate plan.

Participation details:

- Read the brochure to become familiar with the benefits of the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan.
- Read the back of this letter for information about your start date, ongoing support and pricing protection.
- The trial study requires us to recruit a certain number of participants. However, if you do not wish
 to participate, please fill out the enclosed response form and return it to us by March 9. We've
 provided a postage-paid envelope for this purpose.
- You may go back on the Standard Rate Plan any time during your trial period.

Before you start on the new plan, you will receive a welcome package with further information.

Your feedback in shaping the future of Lakeland Electric is invaluable to us. We thank you for becoming a "smart grid pioneer" by participating in this innovative program!

Sincerely,

Jim Stanfield General Manager



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II. Enrollment Form for Assigned Customers

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NO, I do not wish to participate in the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan.

If for any reason you do not wish to participate in the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan trial study, **please fill out this response form and return it to us by March 9**. When you're finished, place the form in the postage-paid envelope provided and drop it in a mailbox.



No, I do not wish to participate in the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan.

Name		
Address		
Lakeland Electric Account Number		
Daytime Phone Number	Evening Phone Number	
Home Address		
Email Address		
Signature		
Comments?		



III. Recruitment Letter for Voluntary Customers



Dear Valued Customer,

One of the greatest advantages of having your new Smart Meter is that it now allows us to offer you a **new rate plan** that could **lower your electric bill**. It's called "Shift-to-Save." If you can shift some of your power usage to times of the day when power costs us less to generate ("Off-Peak"), you should be able to save money on your electric bill.

As a part of a trial study for the U.S. Department of Energy, **we're offering this new rate plan to** Lakeland Electric customers on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please read the enclosed brochure for more details on the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan and how it compares to the Standard Rate Plan. After reading the brochure, we hope you'll decide to become a smart grid "pioneer" by being one of the first to experience and evaluate the benefits of the new rate plan.

How to get started:

- · Read the brochure to become familiar with the benefits of the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan.
- Read the back of this letter for information about your start date, ongoing support and pricing protection.
- To sign up, fill out the enclosed confirmation form and return it to us by March 9. We've provided a postage-paid envelope for this purpose.
- The Shift-to-Save Rate Plan is voluntary. You may go back on the Standard Rate Plan any time during your trial period.

Before you start on the new plan, you will receive a welcome package with further information.

Your feedback in shaping the future of Lakeland Electric is invaluable to us – but it's up to you to take the first step by signing up for the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan. I hope you'll consider being a participant in this innovative program.

Sincerely,

Jim Stanfield General Manager



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IV. Enrollment Form for Voluntary Customers



After completing this form, just **return it to us by March 9** in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Please provide all information requested, including your email address. It will be used for account verification and to communicate updates and news about the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan.

The trial period will last 12 months. The purpose of the study is to show customers how they can save money by modifying their electricity usage patterns to their advantage. If you decide to leave the study within the first six months because you have not experienced savings, we will credit you the difference between what you paid on the Shift-to-Save Rate Plan versus what you would have normally paid on the Standard Rate Plan.

If we have any questions about the information you've provided, we will contact you. If not, you will receive a Shift-to-Save welcome package before you begin the new rate.



Yes, please enroll me!

Name		
Lakeland Electric Account Number		
Daytime Phone Number	_Evening Phone Number	
Home Address		
Email Address		
Signature		



V. Shift to Save Brochure





Powering lower electric bills and higher customer satisfaction.

The new Shift-to-Save Rate Plan from Lakeland Electric is a good example of how we're putting smarter – and more economical – power in your hands. It's all made possible by your Smart Meter and the city-wide network that supports it. This brochure will help you understand the benefits of the new plan and how it compares to the way you're used to being billed for your electricity.

Your Current or "Standard" Rate Plan.

Most Lakeland Electric customers are billed for their electricity usage based on the Standard Rate Plan. This plan uses three different levels or "tiers" and looks like this:

0-1000 kWh: 9.89¢ per kWh

1,001-1,500 kWh: 10.39¢ per kWh

1,500 kWh and above: 10.87¢ per kWh

Costs include energy and average fuel charges only. Taxes and other surcharges may apply.

The fewer kilowatt hours you use, the less your bill will be each month.

Rates as of October 1, 2011



VI. TOU Schedule – Refrigerator Magnet

