

Smart Ways To Save Energy

(NAPSA)—All over America people are now turning on their computers to save energy. According to Edison Electric Institute, that's because electric companies now use the Web and other high-tech devices to offer consumers unique ways to save. For example:



Electric companies now use the Internet to help consumers save money on their electric bills.

- Online Energy Audits—The audits let consumers find out where their home energy is used the most and offers specific, energy-saving recommendations.
- Direct Load Control Programs
 —In exchange for credit on the bill, a
 consumer lets the electric company
 remotely cycle off or shut down big
 energy-using appliances for brief
 periods. Such programs can be especially helpful with air conditioners,
 water heaters and pool pumps.
- Time-Of-Use—Some electric companies are experimenting with time-of-use programs that tell consumers the varying price of their electricity throughout the day.

For more information, contact your electric company, or visit www.eei.org.