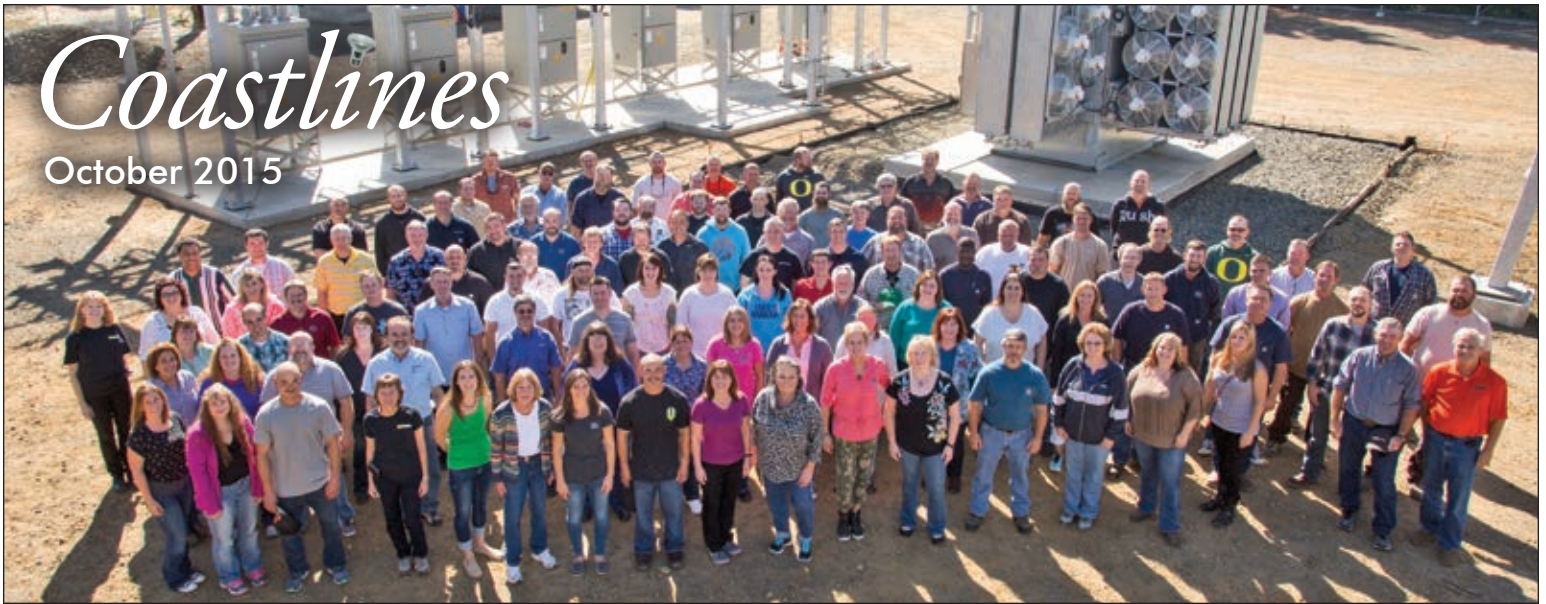


# Coastlines

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Our 127 employees are your friends and neighbors; we are here to serve you in the tradition of public power.

Photo by Cohen & Park

## Do You Know Your Central Lincoln?

*In honor of Public Power Month, we're collecting food for those in need, holding a contest, and more*

**Public Power**

**AN AMERICAN TRADITION THAT WORKS®**

Like community schools, parks, and hospitals, public power utilities such as Central Lincoln work to meet local needs. Public power means communities served have more control, so the benefits produced by public power— including affordable electricity costs, reliable service, and a focus on local goals— are shared by the communities we serve.

October is Public Power Month, and we'll be celebrating! In our offices in Florence, Newport, and Reedsport we'll be:

- Serving coffee and cookies October 5-9
- Collecting canned and other non-perishable foods for local food banks all month
- Drawing for a free iPad mini in each of those offices

How to enter the drawings? Online at [clpud.org](http://clpud.org), or, an "I Know My Central Lincoln" contest entry form is in your billing envelope. (Some of the contest answers are in this issue of Coastlines, and the rest can be found in various places on our website: [clpud.org](http://clpud.org)) Contest entry forms with seven or more correct answers will be entered in our drawings for an iPad mini! One entry per account only please.

The term "public power" means we are owned by the people and the communities we serve. Central Lincoln provides electricity in a large 700-square-mile district, which includes ten cities, parts of four counties, and 38,600 meters district-wide. The electricity we sell you comes from hydroelectric dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers; the Columbia Generating Station, a nuclear facility in Washington; wind power; and small hydropower facilities.

Because we are community-owned, Central Lincoln exists for just one reason: to serve you. In recent years, that's meant adding online services, including paperless billing (customers receive a link to their bills via email each month), and MyMeter, an online system for you to keep track of when you are using the most electricity, and when you're using the least, offering information you can use to cut back your electricity use, and reduce your bills.

One of our customers' favorite payment options is AutoPay: Customers who use AutoPay authorize us to use their credit or debit cards to pay their bills each month. We email a link to their bill, or we "snail mail" their bills to them via U.S. Mail, and 20 days later, charge or debit the card that's been authorized. The easiest way to sign up for AutoPay is online— by clicking on "MyAccount Online & Paperless Billing" on the home page of [clpud.org](http://clpud.org).

Our mission is to "provide the people of Oregon's Central Coast with reliable and affordable electricity in the tradition of public power." From quality customer service, to rebates for home improvements to help you save electricity, from serving cookies in honor of Public Power Week, to collecting food for those in need, we hope you'll agree we honor that mission.



Energy-saving tips and latest news:  
[www.twitter.com/CLPUDInfo](http://www.twitter.com/CLPUDInfo)



Outage info: [www.twitter.com/CLPUD](http://www.twitter.com/CLPUD)  
or report an outage at **1-866-484-3783**



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A COMMUNITY-OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITY

# What Does It Cost to Run a....?

Estimated prices to run home appliances with our residential 7¢ per kWh rate\*

Appliance	Watts	Hrs/Month	Cost/Month	Appliance	Watts	Hrs/Month	Cost/Month
Air Conditioner (window unit)	1047	200	\$14.65	Light Bulb (LED/CFL)	20	180	\$0.25
Blender/Food Processor	600	2	\$0.08	Microwave Oven	1000	15	\$1.05
Cable Box	45	150	\$0.47	Oven	2000	20	\$2.80
Clock Radio	4	4	\$0.01	Range, Large Burner	2100	20	\$2.94
Coffee Maker	900	10	\$0.63	Refrigerator Pre1978	479	300	\$10.06
Computer, Desktop	150	30	\$0.32	1978-1989	319	300	\$6.70
Computer, Laptop	30	30	\$0.06	1989-1992	256	300	\$5.38
Crock Pot	100	32	\$0.22	1992 or newer	160	300	\$3.36
Dehumidifier	250	126	\$2.21	Sewing Machine	100	10	\$0.07
Dishwasher	1440	21	\$2.12	Stereo System	300	150	\$3.15
Dryer, Clothes	4400	30	\$9.24	TV, CRT 19"	150	150	\$1.58
DVR	45	150	\$0.47	TV, LCD/LED 42"	150	150	\$1.58
Electric Blanket	64	120	\$0.54	TV, Plasma 50-56"	300	150	\$3.15
Exercise Treadmill	1500	10	\$0.99	Toaster	1000	5	\$0.35
Food Dehydrator	600	4	\$0.17	Toaster Oven	1100	8	\$0.62
Freezer	500	200	\$7.00	Vacuum Cleaner	1000	10	\$0.70
Hair Dryer	1000	6	\$0.42	Ventilation Fan	200	30	\$0.42
Heat pump (ductless)	700	180	\$8.82	Video Game (xBox 360 or PS3)	190	50	\$0.67
Heater, Portable	900	30	\$1.89	Video Game (Nintendo Wii)	18	50	\$0.06
Heater, Baseboard	1500	180	\$18.90	Washing Machine	400	30	\$0.84
Hot Tub (Heater)	1200	300	\$25.20	Water Heater, Heat Pump	1000	183	\$12.81
iPad (charge)	12	45	\$0.04	Water Heater, 52 gallon	4500	135	\$42.53
iPhone (charge)	5	90	\$0.03	Wok	1000	1	\$0.07
Lawn Mower, Electric	1200	4	\$0.34	<b>Current Rate: \$0.07 per kilowatt hour (kWh)</b>			

\*These are estimates. Your results may vary.

Our Engineering Manager, Bruce Lovelin, loves his Honda Fit, which costs just \$1.23 to fully charge to 85 miles. Customers with Nissan LEAFs find it costs \$1.79 to fully charge to 100 miles.



## A Great Deal? Check Out Our HPWH Rebates

If you have an electric water heater at home, water heating may account for 15-20% of your electricity costs. A heat pump water heater (HPWH) may help you save up to 50% of those costs every month.

Until December 31 this year, GE is offering a \$300 discount on GeoSpring heat pump water heaters. Here in Oregon, these GE water heaters may be purchased for as little as \$699 for the 50-gallon models--for which Central Lincoln's rebate is \$500. 80-gallon models may be found for \$1,299, and the Central Lincoln rebate is \$1,000. (In order to get these rebates, a qualifying HPWH must be installed by an approved installer.)

And, the state of Oregon is offering tax credits for

the purchase and installation of HPWHs. Those tax credits won't pay for installation, but they can help with plumbing fittings and the cost of a HPWH that isn't covered by Central Lincoln's rebates. On the Central Coast, stores such as Roby's, Sears, and Coast to Coast sell GE GeoSpring HPWHs. (Go to [www.geospring.com](http://www.geospring.com) and click "Where to Buy" for more locations.)



In part, HPWHs work by taking heat out of the air around them. So they work well in garages and attics. And they serve as dehumidifiers also. To find out if a HPWH is a good option for you, call our energy experts at 1-888-883-9879. They can also tell you how to apply and qualify for our HPWH rebate. Please make certain to call them before you purchase or install an HPWH.