

The Powerline

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Spring is the season of growth and renewal, and nowhere is this more evident than in our own East Tennessee. This issue of The Powerline focuses on the SCES commitment to offering programs and services to encourage renewal and sustainability of resources for generations to come. As we observe the 40th anniversary of Earth Day this month, SCES would like to remind you that the quickest way to reduce your carbon footprint is to conserve your own personal energy use. Together we can make a difference.



Earth Day is April 22, 2010 SCES encourages you to join with us and "Reduce, Reuse, & Recycle"

Surge Protectors

April showers bring... lightning! This coming season, protect your appliances with the Tesco Surge Protector available now for \$4.95 per month with a 36-month lease and a \$25.00 installation fee.

Declared by the American Public Power Association to be the "highest in quality, backed by the best warranty and the best customer service," the Tesco Surge Protector provides protection at the meter by protecting your entire house from power surges. It is designed for long life even with strong, repeated lightning activity and temporary line over-voltage conditions.

Tesco surge protectors are available only for residential services. For more information about Tesco surge protectors, call 865-453-2887.

Tree Replacement

Spring is notorious for high winds and thunderstorms which lead to power outages. The majority of power outages are a direct result of tree interference. SCES's Integrated Vegetation Management Program seeks to balance reliability of service along with the health and beauty of our trees. As a part of this program, SCES offers tree replacement in appropriate situations. Customers may choose from a dogwood or redbud to replace the problem tree. For more information about our tree replacement program call 865-774-6274.

Do It Yourself Home Energy Audit

The quickest way to reduce your carbon footprint is to reduce your energy consumption. SCES wants to make it easier done than said with our FREE "Do it Yourself" home energy audit. This home survey helps our customers find economical ways to reduce their electric bill which in turn helps to reduce TVA's electric demand. Customers completing the audit receive a personalized report that illustrates their home's energy use and cost. The report includes no-cost and low-cost tips to reduce energy consumption and monthly electric bills. Customers completing the audit will also receive an energy efficiency kit packed with items that can save customers \$2-\$4 per month. Request your home energy audit today by calling 865-453-2887 or online at www.energyright.com.

SCES—committed to providing quality programs, services, and encouraging energy stewardship.

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Green Power Switch Program

SCES is proud to participate in TVA's Green Power Switch. It's a simple idea, really. Harness the natural power of the wind, the sun, and the earth to create an energy source that's usable in our everyday lives. TVA and local power companies, working in cooperation with the environmental community, developed Green Power Switch as a way to bring green power—electricity that's generated by renewable resources such as solar, wind, and methane gas—to Valley consumers like you.

Although renewable sources like sunlight and wind are free, the technology used to capture the energy they produce is still more expensive than traditional power generation methods. However, increased demand will lead to expanded power production capacity and eventually to lower costs. Until then, the Green Power Switch Program relies on the cooperation and support of residential and commercial users.

Green Power Switch offers customers the opportunity to make a difference for only \$4 per month. This will supply a "block" of green power equal to 150kWh of energy. Purchasing two blocks of green power for one year equals the environmental benefits of planting an acre of trees in the Tennessee Valley. By choosing to pay a little more for Green Power Switch, you help advance the technology and increase the amount of electricity generated from cleaner sources.

For more information or to sign up for the Green Power Switch Program, call Lucas Harkleroad at 865-774-6264 or visit our website **www.electric.seviervilletn.org**.

Green Power Switch—another SCES commitment to helping our customers help the environment.

Did you know that you can visit SCES online at www.electric.seviervilletn.org? Our website answers many of your frequently asked questions plus details such additional services as:

- Energy Right New Homes
- Levelized Billing
- Bank Draft
- Project Round Up

- Credit Card Payments
- Dimplex Electric Fireplaces
- Marathon Water Heaters
- Outdoor Lighting

Green Power Switch Commercial And Industrial Customers

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SCES would like to thank the following commercial customers for making the switch to Green Power and demonstrating their commitment to a cleaner environment for the Great Smoky Mountains and the entire Tennessee Valley:

Alamo Steakhouse Gatlinburg **Everything Natural** Alamo Steakhouse Pigeon Forge Forbidden Caverns Anna Porter Library Ft Sanders Sevier Medical Appliance Discount Center Friends of the Smokies Bennett's BBQ Gatlinburg Gatlin Country Leather & Gallery Bennett's BBQ Pigeon Forge Gatlinburlier Tobacconist Bruce Johnson Gatlinburg Chamber Of Commerce Citizens National Bank Great Smoky Mountain National Park Great Smoky Mountain Institute City of Gatlinburg Hatcher's Cleaners City of Pigeon Forge Hills Creek Baptist Church City of Sevierville Jackson Mountain Homes Clarion Inn Kelco Ltd. Comfort Inn @ Apple Valley King's Road Inc Cross Creek Properties Lee's Total Health Pharmacy Dr. Craig Ratcliff Kenny D Maples Eight Gables Inn Ross Markley

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