#### **Energy Efficiency**

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# Choose DuPage: ComEd Energy Efficiency Program Overview

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- Safety Message and Webinar Instructions
- Welcome Message ComEd & Choose DuPage
- Customer Perspective Drummond Industries
- Overview of the ComEd Energy Efficiency Program and its Offerings
- Resources & How To Get Started
- Q&A



# Summer Safety Message: Keeping Workers Hydrated

Summer is here, and so is the heat! To prevent heat illness among indoor and outdoor workers, it is important for employers to ensure workers are hydrated, have easy access to water, and can rest. Employers can encourage proper hydration by:

- Equipping all work areas with accessible and visible cool water
- Encouraging workers to drink at least one cup (8 ounces) of water every 15-20 minutes while working in the heat
- Maintaining a cool or shaded rest break location
- Designating a relief person so that workers can take a water break or having water brought directly to workers that cannot leave their work area
- Consider providing electrolyte products when workers perform strenuous, sweat-producing job tasks for extended periods of time

Source: OSHA.gov



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- The deck will be provided to all registrants following the presentation
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  - ComEd.com/Webinars
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  - If relevant, please also include who your question is directed toward
  - There will be time at the end of the presentation for speakers to answer questions
- Three separate poll questions will be asked of the audience during the webinar, and a question box will appear allowing the audience to select their response



#### **Presenters**



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# Overview and Introduction from Choose DuPage





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# **Choose DuPage**

**Business Attraction | Business Retention | Business Growth** 

#### **Connect DuPage**

#### **PROGRAM GOALS**

- Promote business to business connections in DuPage
- Address current supply chain challenges
- Raise awareness and opportunity for DuPage County businesses, including those veteran, minority, women, disadvantaged, and disabled-owned.
- Education events
- Register in our supplier portal

#### **Sustainable DuPage**

#### **PROGRAM GOALS**

- Promote positive environmental impacts
- Create a Green Business Checklist
- Customized Green Business Assessments
- Educational events

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# Customer Perspective: Drummond Industries





**Steve Loerop**Vice President, Drummond Industries

#### **Drummond Industries**

Family-owned company, founded in 1968, specializing in plastic injection molding and comprehensive part assembly, catering to new and existing manufacturing lines.

 50,000-square-foot Bensenville facility, operating 24 hours a day, 5 days a week

#### ComEd Energy Efficiency Program Involvement

- Have completed five Standard projects since 2015
  - Indoor LED Fixtures & Retrofits
  - Installed Four All-Electric Injection Molding Machines

#### Project Snapshot

Total project costs: \$573,000

ComEd Energy Efficiency Program incentives: \$73,000

Estimated annual energy savings: 407,500 kWh

- Estimated annual electric savings cost: \$28,525

\*Assumes an electricity rate of 7 cents per kWh



#### **Drummond Industries**

#### Key Takeaways

- Convenient process
  - Application was quick and straightforward
  - Received support from dedicated Outreach Representative
- Consistent communication throughout
  - Received updates on application timeline, approvals, and payment

#### EE Project Benefits

- Reduced electricity use and costs
- Reduced maintenance (elimination of hydraulic fluid)
- Increased precision, repeatability, and faster cycle times
- Quieter, cooler working environment

#### Next Steps/Future Plans

Replace hydraulic presses with new All-Electric presses





### **Energy Efficiency**

# Poll Question #1

What is your facility's biggest barrier to pursuing energy efficiency projects? (select all that apply)

- A. Time commitment
- **B.** Lack of funding
- C. Don't know where to start
- D. Need stakeholder support
- E. Other



# Overview: ComEd Energy Efficiency Program



**Eric Hamersly**Outreach Service Provider

# Why Does Energy Efficiency Matter?

Helps customers save money by lowering their energy bills

#### Good for the local economy

- Helps business customers increase profitability and free up capital to reinvest
- Stimulates job growth and job training in energy efficiency

#### **Positive environmental impacts**

• Reduces our carbon footprint



#### About The ComEd EE Portfolio (From 2008-Q4 2023)

156.5

\$9.0

billion on customer bills saved

82.47

million Net MWh saved

6.90

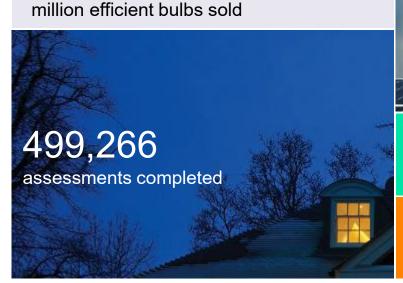
million cars off the road for a year

38.73
million acres of trees planted



\$1.98

billion in incentives provided to customers\*



166,158

business projects completed

4,845,658

rebates & incentives provided

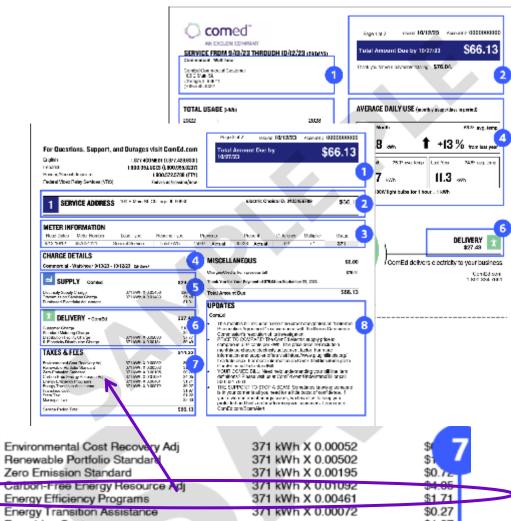


<sup>\*</sup>Based on lifetime net MWH savings realized through CY2022. Incentives for the ongoing year is based on applied percentage of about 65%.

# **Energy Efficiency is Funded by ComEd Customers!**

- ComEd customers fund the program with charge on every monthly bill
- Rate is based on customer kWh usage
- \$9 billion in energy costs saved since 2008
- Nearly 70 billion pounds of carbon emissions reduced





Rates will vary based on customer demand category and monthly kWh usage. Customers should ask their Account Manager or Energy Efficiency point of contact for their specific cost estimates.

## **ComEd Clean Energy Solutions**

We help customers save energy, save money and help the planet.

With a comprehensive suite of demand side management (DSM) solutions, we aim to deliver environmental impact while driving equitable outcomes and seamless customer experience.



## ComEd Energy Efficiency Program - How Can We Help?



#### **Facility Assessments**

- Find areas of opportunity to reduce energy use
- It's FREE!
- Whole facilities
- Virtual walk-thru option
- Fleet Electrification Assessments
- Public Schools Carbon-Free Assessment



**Incentives** 

- Financial benefit to help reduce the cost of your project
- Customer covers project costs, then receives incentive to help offset those costs (may authorize payment to service provider/EESP)
- Often, the more energy you save, the more you earn in incentives



**Instant Discounts** 

Point-of-sale discounts on:

- Lighting
- HVAC
- High efficiency fork truck battery chargers
- Lithium-ion electric fork trucks



**Optimization** 

- Whole-building retrocommissioning
- Rooftop HVAC units
- Refrigeration and cooling
- Compressed air
- Strategic Energy Management (SEM)

## **Facility Assessments**

#### A Great First Step for Any Facility

Facility assessments identify energy-savings opportunities along with their simple payback on investment

#### Assessment benefits:

- FREE to customers
- Performed by an ComEd Energy Engineer
- Provides detailed report with estimated energy savings
- Identifies capital energy efficiency opportunities as well as low-cost / no-cost operational measures
- Report serves as helpful road map for future planning and cadence of those applicable opportunities
- Virtual facility assessments also available

<u>Fleet Electrification Assessments</u> are also available to identify vehicles and charging infrastructure to meet your fleet's needs.



#### Standard and Instant Discounts Incentives

Financial Benefit by Simple Payback						
Estimated <2 Year Payback Opportunities						
Measure	Annual Cost Savings	Project Cost	Incentive	Simple Payback (Years)		
Replace Metal Halide Lighting	\$4,500	\$17,200	\$9,700	1.7		
Subtotal	\$4,500	\$17,200	\$9,700	1.7		

Estimated 2-5 Year Payback Opportunities						
Annual Cost	Project Cost	Incentive	Simple Payback			
Savings	Project Cost	incentive	(Years)			

Measure	Savings	Project Cost	Incentive	(Years)
Replace Chiller	\$21,300	\$158,200	\$106,500	2.4
Subtotal	\$21,300	\$158,200	\$106,500	2.4

#### Estimated >5 Year Payback Opportunities

Measure	Annual Cost Savings	Project Cost	Incentive	Simple Payback (Years)
Install Building Energy Management System	\$177,900	\$1,315,800	\$303,600	5.7
Replace T8 Lighting	\$40,300	\$400,000	\$117,500	7.0
Retrofit HVAC Fans	\$2,400	\$27,000	\$4,500	9.4
Potrofit Existing Chiller	മാട ഉവവ	¢500 000	¢97 000	10.1





### **Energy Efficiency**

# Poll Question #2

Which of these are the most motivating factors for your facility to pursue energy efficiency? Select all that apply.

- A. Operating cost reduction
- **B.** Environmental concerns
- C. Alignment with sustainability goals
- **D.** Community interest
- E. Other



## **Standard Offering**

#### Standard Offering Provides Incentives on a Per-Unit or Per-Fixture Basis

- Incentives for upgrades
- Most projects require a pre-application
- Most projects require use of an Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) certified Service Provider

#### **Measure Categories include:**

- Indoor/Outdoor Lighting Upgrades
- Networked Indoor/Outdoor Lighting Controls
- HVAC including Variable Speed Drives
- Energy Management Systems

#### **Promotions – 10% for Made in Illinois**

Promotion Name			Final Application Submittal Timeframe	Eligibility
Made in Illinois	10%	Anytime	By December 31, 2024	All private and public customers installing equipment that is at least 50% manufactured or assembled in Illinois



# Case Study: Zion-Benton Public Library

The Zion-Benton Public Library identified energy saving opportunities through a free facility assessment, then upgraded interior and exterior lighting to LEDs equipped with occupancy sensors and daylighting controls.

The library also installed a building energy management system to better control its energy usage.

#### **Project Snapshot:**

• Total project cost: \$13,335

• ComEd Energy Efficiency Program incentive: \$11,985

• Project cost after incentive: \$1,350

• Estimated annual electric savings cost: \$4,263

Estimated payback after incentive: 4 Months



## **Custom Offering**

Incentives for non-standard projects including retrofits, replacements, upgrades and more.

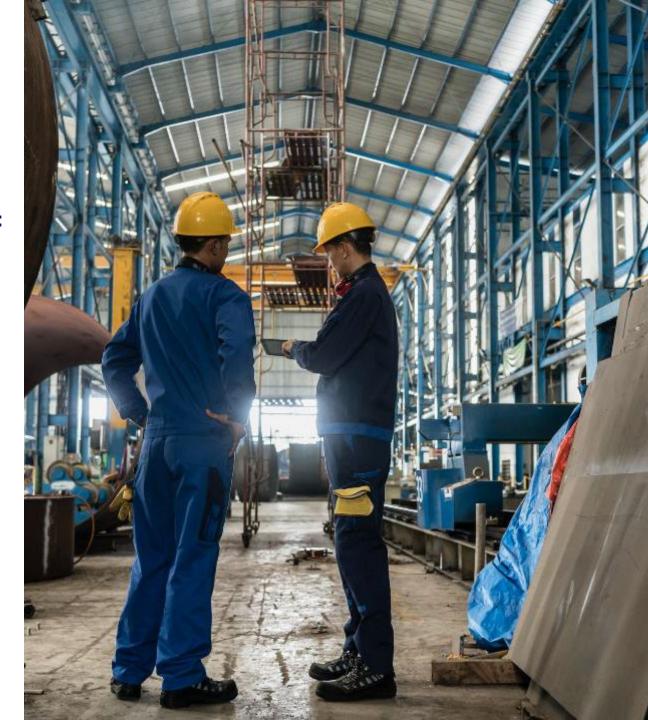
#### **Measure categories include everything that is non-standard:**

- Specialty/New Construction Lighting
- VFD motors > 200 Hp
- IT Equipment Upgrades, and more

For additional program information, click here.

#### **Promotions – 15% for select communities**

Promotion Name	Percent	Pre- Application Submittal Timeframe	Final Application Submittal Timeframe	Eligibility
15% for Select Communities	15%	Before December 31, 2024	By December 31, 2024	All customers in Select Communities & Zip Codes



# **Small Business Offering**

- Eligible customers:
  - Small businesses and public facilities
    - Private and Public: < 400 kW Peak Demand</li>
- Must use closed network of 77 professionals, qualified, trained, and approved Energy Efficiency Service Providers
- Incentives typically cover 50% 75% of the project cost
- Small Business Energy Assessment Equipment categories can include:
  - Indoor and Outdoor Lighting
  - Refrigeration
  - HVAC
  - Compressed Air
  - Weatherization
- For more info on Small Business:
  - www.ComEd.com/SmallBiz



## **Small Business - Additional Project Incentives**

Additional Incentive	Percent	Pre-Application Submittal Timeframe	Final Application Submittal Timeframe	Eligibility
Public Sector Promotional Campaign	15% (capped at \$10k)	Before October 31, 2024	By December 13, 2024	Must be a public facility with a peak demand under 400 kW for the past 12 months
30% Select Communities Campaign	30% (capped at \$20k)	Before October 31, 2024	By December 13, 2024	All customers in select communities & ZIP codes
Summer Savings Campaign	Varies	Before September 22, 2024	By December 13, 2024	All small business eligible customers (public and private facilities with a peak demand under 400 kW for the past 12 months)

<sup>\*</sup>Public sector campaign CAN be combined with the 30% additional incentive promotion for a total additional incentive of 45% (combined cap of \$30k). Summer Savings may also apply!

#### **Small Business Process**

- Schedule an assessment with an Energy Efficiency Service Provider
  - ComEd.com/SmallBiz
    - "Get Started"
- Allow access to all areas of your facility to identify all old existing equipment
- Review the recommended equipment upgrades with the available incentives from ComEd
- Make any adjustments to ensure your goals are met
- Sign the Pre-application to confirm your project scope
- Upon application approval, the Energy Efficiency Service Provider will install the new efficient equipment
- Your signature on the final application confirms completed proper installation and satisfaction with the project and releases the ComEd incentives



# Case Study: McDonald's Arlington Heights

The Arlington Heights McDonald's saved on energy costs through installing LED lights with occupancy sensors and replacing old HVAC systems to more energy efficient units.

#### **Project Snapshot:**

• Total project cost: \$74,502

• ComEd Energy Efficiency Program incentive: \$45,909

• Project cost after incentive: \$28,593

Estimated annual electric savings cost: \$13,424

• Estimated payback after incentive: 2.12 years



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# McDonald's in Arlington Heights

#### Small Business Offering – Case Study

#### **Project Summary**

Edgar Herrera and his family have owned 12 McDonald's restaurants, including an Arlington Heights location, since 1991. Over the years, maintenance costs rose and aging HVAC equipment failure resulted in loss of business on hot days. When Herrera attended a McDonald's event, he learned about the ComEd Energy Efficiency Program. This led him on a path to successfully upgrade his air conditioning units which saved him money and energy.

ComEd connected Herrera with an authorized Energy Efficiency Service Provider to provide a free assessment, and help with installations and paperwork.

#### The Solution

The Service Provider made sure Herrera understood the program benefits, the financials, and the energy-saving equipment options for his facilities. He started by upgrading to LED lights and moved on to the HVAC units.

"The assessment was straightforward and easy to understand. They came out one day to check out my restaurants and within a couple days had an assessment for me that explained the costs and how much money I would save. I used that to make a decision and realized it was in my best interest to replace HVAC units," said Herrera.

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#### **Energy Saving Improvements**

AC replacement Economizer with demand control ventilation New LED fixtures with occupancy sensors

Estimated Annual Energy Savings 95,482 kWh

#### **Total Project Cost** \$74,502

**ComEd Energy Efficiency Program Incentive** \$45,909

#### **Project Cost After Incentive**

\$28,593

Project

Estimated Annual Electric Cost Savings \$13,424

#### **Estimated Payback After Incentives** 2.12 years

"The ComEd Energy Efficiency Program is fantastic and only possible for me thanks to the incentives and the help of the Service Provider." - Edgar Herrera, McDonald's Franchise Owner

#### **Instant Discounts**

Instant price reduction provided by the distributor – no incentive applications necessary.

- Incentives only available to customers via Participating Distributors (over 110 participating distributors)
- Includes point-of-sale discounts on qualified lighting,
   HVAC, lithium-ion electric fork trucks, and high efficiency battery charger products
- Download the program guides from <u>ComEd.com/BizLights</u> and <u>ComEd.com/BizHVAC</u>





#### **Energy Efficiency**

# Poll Question #3

Which of the following types of projects would you like to further explore and implement? Select all that apply.

- A. Indoor or Outdoor Lighting
- B. Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning
- C. IT Optimization
- **D. Free Facility Assessment**
- E. Other



## **Industrial Systems Offering**

- Customer receives a fully-funded study of their industrial equipment
  - Study Report includes energy conservation measures, estimated savings, incentives, & payback
  - Incentive Rate: \$0.18 / annual kWh
    - Additional 15% incentive for capital projects completed in <u>Select Communities</u> in 2024
- Highly qualified network of <u>Energy Efficiency Service Providers</u> (EESPs)
- Program website: <u>ComEd.com/IndustrialSystems</u>



Chiller Systems



Compressed Air



Industrial Refrigeration



Water Treatment



Process Efficiency

## **Industrial Systems – Fix-It-Now**

Fix-it-Now captures savings from improved operations and maintenance by fixing compressed air leaks, optimizing refrigeration, and tuning chillers



Compressed air leak repairs at your facilities— at no cost to you!



Fast, high-impact energy savings and dollars that can drop to your bottom-line



Improved systems performance & reliability



Annual eligibility for on-going improvement



Elevated understanding of your facilities' air systems

# Strategic Energy Management (SEM)

SEM is a holistic program that focuses on behavioral approaches to energy management and operational measures.

- Customers work with an Energy Coach to manage their energy management practices and identify/implement energy efficiency opportunities
- Customers participate in an energy scan to identify projects and the SEM team builds an energy model to measure and track energy savings over the program period
- Energy savings are based on operational and behavior changes
  - Increased savings incentive structure up to \$0.06/kWh and \$2,000 for participant engagement

Program website: ComEd.com/SEM



# **Retro-Commissioning (RCx)**

Engineering study of building systems to identify low-cost improvements to building operations with simple paybacks of <18 months

- Study-based approach:
  - Fully funded engineering
    - Expected savings 5-10% of annual usage
    - Calibrate and optimize building systems such as HVAC and lighting
  - Three types of studies:
    - RCx Flex
    - Monitoring-Based Commissioning (MBCx)
    - Virtual Commissioning (VCx)

Program website: ComEd.com/RCx



# **RCx Options: Solutions for Every Building**

Offering Name	Target Building Size	Incentive	Duration
Retro-Commissioning (RCx) Flex	Any	Fully-funded RCx Flex study covering the costs of engineering services	6-15 months
Monitoring-Based Commissioning (MBCx)	Greater than 150,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	Fully funded MBCx study covering the costs of monitoring software and engineering services	18+ months
Virtual Commissioning (VCx)	Any	Fully-funded remote analysis of energy usage and technical assistance	3 months

# Case Study: Michigan Plaza

Downtown Chicago's Michigan Plaza saved on energy costs through participating in both the RCx and MBCx studies, resulting in a combined energy savings of 4,742,514 kWh.

#### **Project Snapshot:**

- Total implementation cost: \$11,990
- ComEd Energy Efficiency Program incentive: \$158,272
- Estimated annual electric savings cost: \$141,632
- Estimated payback after incentive: < 1 month

Watch the video



## **Building Operator Certification**

A nationally recognized training and certification program focused on energy-efficient building operations and preventative maintenance procedures

- Facilities with BOC graduates are proven to save energy, have lower energy bills, and offer improved comfort for occupants
- ComEd customers who earn the Training Certificate of Completion will receive a <u>full reimbursement</u> of the \$1,400 course tuition
- Go to <u>BOCCentral.org/ComEd</u> for information on Illinois tuition and training schedules



#### **New Construction**

Provides technical assistance and incentives for new construction or major renovation

- For projects to qualify, ComEd must be engaged during the design phase and prior to designs being submitted for permits
- Design must exceed current Illinois Energy Conservation Code requirements
- Must implement significant beyond-code energy conservation measures for <u>at least two</u> of these primary building systems:
  - Lighting
  - Primary HVAC
  - Envelope
  - Qualified refrigeration

Program website: ComEd.com/NewConstruction



## K-12 Offering

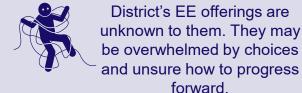
#### **Public School Carbon Free Assessment**

- The Public Schools Carbon-Free Assessment (PSCFA) is a free facility assessment which identifies measures to save your school energy and money. ComEd offers guidance and technical assistance to help PSCFA participants implement recommendations.
- In the last year alone, ComEd has completed over 350 free assessments and helped schools achieve their energy saving goals.
- PSCFA participants receive:
  - Guidance on becoming carbon-free
  - Instant ways to save money and reduce carbon emissions
  - Details on supporting electrification (like electric buses)
  - Solar energy potential of your building
  - Guidance on WELL certification
  - Grant and Funding Opportunity Identification

#### K-12 Outreach

- A school district's Outreach Representative is a dedicated account manager to help you achieve your energy efficiency goals.
- Outreach representatives help school districts with:
  - Requesting Facility Assessments, including the no-cost PSCFA for Public Schools
  - Standard, Custom and Instant Discount Program Incentive Applications
  - ComEd Energy Efficiency Program Information
  - Lighting Discounts
  - HVAC Tune-Ups
  - Efficient Cafeteria Equipment Upgrades
  - IT Enhancements
  - Facility Upgrade Funding Opportunities
  - Technical Expertise

#### K-12 Customer Journey:







The PSCFA identifies EE measures and a path forward for the school district. TA and K-12 follow up to provide quidance.





The K-12 Outreach team provides portfolio and education on incentive process. Customer can pursue savings to achieve energy and financial goals.

# Other Clean Energy Solutions Offerings

# **Beneficial Electrification: EV Rebates and Customer Tools**

ComEd's Business & Public Sector EV Program provides commercial customers with a simple and cost-effective path to fleet electrification—including rebates for purchasing EV's and installing charging infrastructure.

- For additional information visit <u>ComEd.com/CleanEnergy</u>
- Explore the <u>Commercial EV toolkit</u>
- Generate a customized Fuel Cost Savings and Carbon Reduction estimate when considering Fleet Electrification with the <u>ComEd Fleet Electrification Calculator</u>
- Contact your LCS representative or the EV team at EVsmart@ComEd.com
- ComEd EV Brochure



# **Solar Incentives and Customer Tools**

Federal and state incentives are offered to ComEd customers who choose to go solar.

- For additional information visit <u>ComEd.com/Solar</u>
- To learn about any incentives your business may qualify for, launch the <u>solar calculator</u>
- Contact your LCS representative or the Green Power Connection team at <u>GPCTeam@ComEd.com</u> or (800) 825-5436
- Additional information can be found here:
  - Getting Started With Solar
  - Guide to Going Solar for Businesses



# For Residents: Home Energy Savings

- Who is Eligible?
  - Homeowners
  - Renters (with landlord's permission)
  - Customers with a ComEd, Nicor Gas, Peoples Gas or North Shore Gas account
- What types of homes?
  - Single family homes, condos, townhomes, 2-flat buildings
- FREE energy-saving products with installation included
  - Can include WaterSense® certified Showerheads, LED light bulbs, programmable thermostats, pipe insulation, and more
- **FREE** personalized home assessment report
  - In home and virtual options

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#### **ComEd Resources**



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