eCourse Outline

How to Read Your Energy Bill

Course Outline – a breakdown of the acronyms and line item charges on a sample electric bill

• An overview of the front page of the energy bill
  o Payment due
  o Usage history
  o Current month’s usage summary
  o Current month’s charges

• Next page
  o Location address
  o Meter readings
  o Total demand use
  o Past year’s monthly kWh use
  o Summary of billing charges
    ▪ Electric supply services
    ▪ Delivery services
  o Breakdown of total charges and how charges are determined monthly
    ▪ Supplier services
    ▪ KW distribution charge
    ▪ KW transmission charge
    ▪ DW stranded cost recovery charge
    ▪ Distribution charge
    ▪ Transmission charge
    ▪ Stranded cost recovery charge
    ▪ Systems benefits charge

• Final page
  o Demand profile
    ▪ Over year profile of your energy demand, which provides opportunity for analysis, budgeting energy costs, and cash flow planning.