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DID YOU KNOW?

Q: *Is there a way to lower my energy bill, my energy use, and help the environment?*

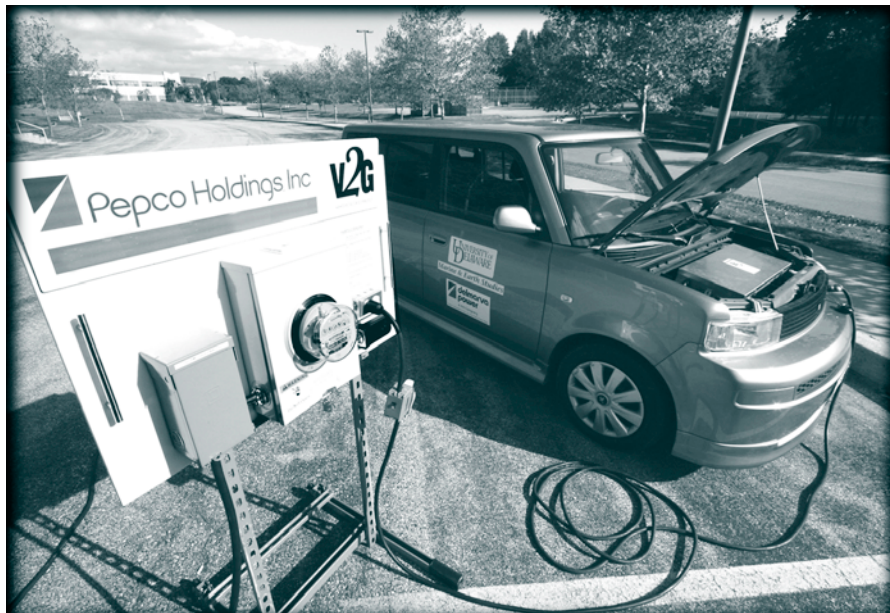
A: There is. You can lower your bill, your energy use, and help the environment all by switching standard incandescent bulbs in your home to a compact fluorescent light (CFL). And right now, you can go to a participating The Home Depot store to receive a discount of \$1.50 on a single bulb and \$3 on a multi-pack.

Did you know that an incandescent 60-watt bulb you already use can be replaced by a CFL that uses only 15 watts? Replacing just one bulb in your home will save you \$42 over the life of the bulb.

If every Maryland residential customer replaced just one bulb that was on for 3 hours a day, that would save more than 23 million kilowatt-hours a year. That's enough energy to power 23,000 homes for a year.

CFLs can replace nearly every standard incandescent bulb you already use. They screw into normal sockets as any other bulb and come in a variety of colors to suit your needs, from cool white to soft yellow.

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University of Delaware Receives \$250,000 for Electric Vehicle Research

Pepco Holdings, Inc., Delmarva Power's parent company, has provided \$250,000 to the University of Delaware to support research on all-electric, emission-free vehicle technology capable of feeding power back to the electric grid.

The Vehicle-to-Grid – or V2G – technology works by using energy stored in the vehicle's battery to provide power for the electric grid.

If feasible, the eco-friendly technology could reduce the amount of peak period electric generation from power plants and, in turn, help address our nation's energy challenges.

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In Kent & Sussex Counties, DE; and the Eastern Shore of MD: 1-800-898-8045
For Natural Gas Emergencies in New Castle County, DE, ONLY: 302-454-0317*





Megawatt U—A Great Resource for Learning Safety

Delmarva Power has an outstanding resource for kids—as well as adults—to learn the basics of electricity and electrical safety. It is our Web-based tool called Megawatt U.

The site includes information on how electricity is produced and how it ultimately travels to your home.

Interactive cartoons and quizzes make learning fun, while driving home the need for staying safe around electricity.

Visit Megawatt U online at www.delmarva.com and click on the “Safety & Conservation” link.

DID YOU KNOW *(cont. from front)*

For more information on energy-efficient lighting and to take the “change a light” pledge, log on to www.energystar.gov, or visit www.delmarva.com.



Maryland (Area code 410)

Mar 1: 7th Annual Downtown Bel Air Chocolate Festival; Bel Air Armory, Main St., Bel Air; 410-638-1023, <http://downtownbelair.com>

Mar 8: Handbell Ringers Concert; Convention Center 40th & Bay, Ocean City; 302-677-0187, www.area111.org

Mar 15: 8th Annual Eagle Festival; Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge



Kitchen Appliances—Use Them Safely

Electric kitchen appliances make fixing meals convenient. Follow these tips so you can use them safely:

- Keep appliances away from water and make sure your hands are dry when using them.
- If an appliance falls into water, unplug it before retrieving it.
- Keep appliance cords away from stoves or other heated surfaces.
- Do not touch an electrical appliance with metal objects.
- Unplug all electrical appliances before repairing or cleaning.
- Use electrical appliances with three-pronged plugs.
- Do not overload outlets with too many appliances.
- Hire a licensed electrician to install a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in your bathroom and kitchen where appliances are used near water.

To learn more about electrical safety, visit our Web site at www.delmarva.com.

Visitor Ctr., Cambridge; 410-228-2677, <http://blackwater.fws.gov>

Mar 15: Mai-Ni Chen Dance Company; Harford Community College, Amoss Center, Bel Air; 410-836-4211, <http://harford.edu/cultural>

Mar 22: Spring Celebration; Main St., Berlin; 410-641-4775, www.berlinmdcc.org

Mar 30: Mid-Atlantic Symphony; Community Church, Ocean Pines Rt.

589, Ocean City; 888-846-8600, www.midatlanticsymphony.org

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