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# WATT'S UP?



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## Participants Share Their Experiences

Recently, we asked Residential Real-Time Pricing Participants to share their experiences with the Program. Here are a few examples of what your peers said they are doing to manage their electricity usage and costs with Real-Time Pricing:

- Richard and Jennifer of Tinley Park keep an eye on prices and do their laundry during hours when electricity prices are low.
- Pat and Nancy of Barrington Hills start their days by checking the [daily predicted price graph](#) at [www.theWattSpot.com](http://www.theWattSpot.com), and then planning their appliance activity around the lowest priced periods for the day.
- Brad of Chicago sets the timer on his dishwasher to run it at night, when electricity prices are usually at their lowest. Many new appliances offer timers. Be sure to look for this feature when shopping for a new washer, dryer or dishwasher.
- Paul of Wheeling checks theWattSpot.com to review his electricity usage and costs as well as to learn how he can save more. The RRTP Program allows him to act rather than just talk about energy conservation.

To hear more about what other RRTP Participants are saying about the Program, check out the new videos at [www.theWattSpot.com](http://www.theWattSpot.com)!

## Save on Heat!

Residential Real-time pricing only affects your electricity costs but, at this time of year, many households are also thinking about heating costs. Whether you heat your home and your water with electricity or natural gas, the following tips can help you stay warm while keeping your heating costs under control.

Before you leave the house on these long winter days, remember to turn the thermostat down a few degrees. Or purchase a programmable thermostat and set it to automatically to suite your routine.

Set the thermostat on your electric water heater to 120° F. Many manufacturers set the temperature at 140°F, but this is hotter than necessary for most household purposes. Reducing the temperature setting can save a significant amount of energy. Each 10° F reduction in the temperature saves 3 to 5 percent in energy costs.

Thank you for your continued participation in the ComEd Real-Time Pricing Program. For additional energy saving tips to help you through the winter, visit [www.theWattSpot.com](http://www.theWattSpot.com).

Sincerely,

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