# New Commercial & Industrial Time of Use Rates Available Now

Mandatory transition occurs March 2021



# Why Time of Use rates & why are they changing?

As California moves toward cleaner and more renewable energy, it makes sense to use energy when demand is lower and renewable energy is more plentiful.

Under Time of Use (TOU) rates, electricity prices vary between peak, partial peak, off-peak, and super off-peak times. These price changes heavily correspond to available renewable energy, encouraging the use of electricity when it is cleanest and cheapest.

While most EBCE commercial electrical customers are already on TOU rates, periods of peak pricing have evolved in recent years. In order to achieve California's climate goals and manage procurement costs, EBCE and PG&E are coordinating to transition all commercial accounts to new Time of Use rates.

Additionally, in alignment with PG&E's changes, EBCE rate names will change for ease of understanding. These can be seen here:

C&I Current Rates	New C&I Rate Names
A-1	Bus Low Use (B-1)
A-6	Bus Low Use Alt (B-6)
A-10	Bus Med Use (B-10)
E-19	Bus Med-High Use (B-19)
E-20	Bus High Use (B-20)

## How are the Time of Use rates changing?

Time of Use rates vary by time of day and season. The new C&I Time of Use rates, also known as "B Rates", include changes to both the seasons and the hours.

#### Seasons

- For legacy rates there were just two seasons, Winter (November 1 - April 30) and Summer (May 1 - October 31) and were applicable Monday through Friday only.
- For the new C&I rates there are essentially three seasons, Winter (October 1 - end of February), Spring (March 1 - May 31) and Summer (June 1 - September 30) and the rates are applicable **7 days a week.** \*Note that the "Spring Season" is technically part of the Winter Season, but including a Super off-peak period.

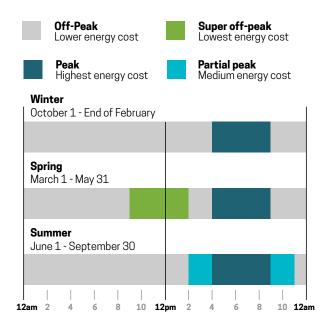
#### Legacy Rates M-F



## **Time of Day**

Under TOU rates, the pricing varies by hour, with the most expensive prices being during the "peak period".

- Under the new B rates, the peak period is being shortened and moved to later in the day.
- A new period, "super off peak", where rates are lowest is included in the Spring season from 9am to 2pm.
- The new rates include a "partial peak" period in the summer months only.

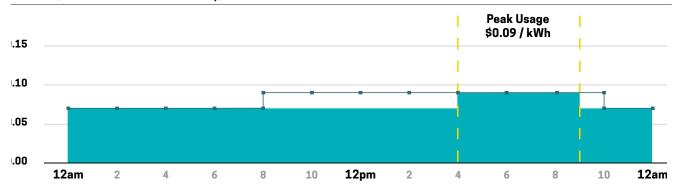


The second page of this notice contains several graphs to help visualize the difference in the rates, by hour, for a low use small business. The TOU changes are applicable for PG&E transmission and delivery charges and EBCE generation and demand charges (as well as PG&E generation and demand charges for non EBCE customers). For illustrative purposes, the graphs below show relative generation rates for a small or medium usage business in 2019. For actual rates, please visit www.pge.com/tariffs.

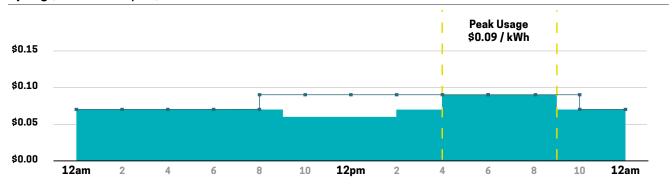
## EBCE Generation Charge by Hour (\$/kWh) for Small to Medium Businesses



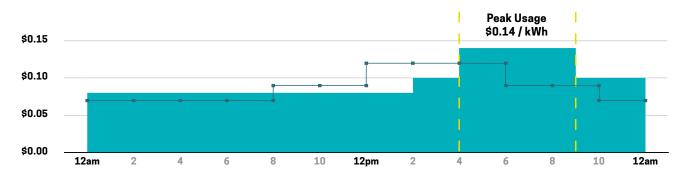
## Winter (October 1 - End of February)



#### Spring (March 1 - May 31)



#### Summer (June 1 - September 30)



If you have additional questions about the rate changes you can visit the EBCE TOU webpage at **ebce.org/new-commercial-industrial-time-of-use-rates-available-now/**, email **customer-service@ebce.org** or call **1-833-699-EBCE (3223)** 

