

## Winter weather is here

Chilly winter weather is settling in. As the temperature drops, keep in mind there are two “variables” that contribute to your bill; the amount of natural gas you use to heat your home and extreme weather conditions, both of which impact your energy use. DTE Energy is committed to helping you keep your energy bills under control.



Here are simple, effective heating tips you can use to start saving energy today!

- Check your ductwork for air leaks, especially at joints. Seal off air leaks with foil-faced tape rather than duct tape.
- Seal your windows! It may be too cold outside to caulk around them, but you can still install low-cost, clear plastic window sheeting over leaking windows to keep cold air out.
- Keep objects away from heat registers or baseboard heaters to permit maximum airflow.
- Check your furnace air filter every month. At a minimum change the filter every three months. Dirty filters block air flow causing your furnace to work harder.

For more tips, visit [dteenergy.com/staywarm](http://dteenergy.com/staywarm).

## Secure. Convenient. Paperless.



At DTE, delivering safe, reliable energy and ensuring the security of your personal information are our top priorities. We're pleased to offer **eBill Paperless Billing** - one of our variety of flexible billing and payment options - which delivers a safer, more convenient way to receive your bill directly to your inbox.

When you sign up for eBill, you'll also receive quick, easy access to important account information - including your amount due and your due date - and you'll be able to conveniently pay your bill anywhere, anytime, through direct links in your statements; you'll also reduce your environmental impact!

Take the first step toward creating a more secure billing and payment arrangement tailored to your needs. Visit [dteenergy.com/eBill](http://dteenergy.com/eBill) to enroll online.

## DTE welcomes new wind park to its portfolio



DTE's latest renewable energy wind project, Pinnebog Wind Park, has officially started generating electricity. The new park's 30 wind turbines can power more than 22,000 homes.

Pinnebog Wind Park is located in Huron County in Michigan's Thumb Region and is an expansion of DTE's Echo Wind Park.

With the commissioning of Pinnebog, DTE now has 13 wind parks in its energy portfolio along with 28 solar installations.

Projects like this increase our renewable energy generation capacity and our ability to provide our customers with energy that is affordable, reliable and clean. To learn more, visit [empoweringmichigan.com](http://empoweringmichigan.com) and search for "Pinnebog."

## Online or in person? You choose your way to save.

Looking for ways to stretch your household budget this winter? We make it simple by offering two easy ways that lead to energy savings.

### HOME ENERGY CONSULTATION

A DTE energy expert will come to your home to provide a personalized Home Energy Profile and install FREE energy-saving products in about an hour - **up to \$400 value**. Schedule an appointment today! Call **866.796.0512** (press option 2) or schedule online at [dteenergy.com/hec](http://dteenergy.com/hec).



### HOME ENERGY SURVEY

In just a few minutes you'll learn the best ways to save energy at home. Plus, you may also qualify for a free Energy Efficiency Kit with easy to install energy-saving products - **up to \$45 value**. Get started today at [dteenergy.com/homesurvey](http://dteenergy.com/homesurvey).



## Keep the cold air out and think about a whole home approach!

Keep the cold air out and save by upgrading your insulation and receiving **\$475** in rebates! Do it yourself or find a participating contractor at [dteenergy.com/eed](http://dteenergy.com/eed).

Want to do more than just insulation? Take the whole-house energy efficiency approach and get up to **\$2,650** in rebates. Learn more at [dteenergy.com/hprebates](http://dteenergy.com/hprebates).



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