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Digger's Hotline

The summer project season is here. Call 811 or visit www.diggershotline.com before you start any digging project. Wisconsin law requires that anytime you disturb the ground's surface that you call Digger's Hotline. The consequences of not calling Digger's Hotline can be fatal and very expensive.

When you call Digger's Hotline they will notify all utility providers of your intention to dig. Please allow 3 business days for utility personnel to come and mark the location of their facilities.

Digger's Hotline is free service.

Grants Available

Algoma Utilities, through funding available from our power supplier, WPPI Energy, is soliciting requests from local organizations interested in a Community Contribution Grant or Economic Development Grant. Typically, grants are awarded to Algoma Utilities, not for profit customers, to help offset specific community programs or project costs.

Grant requests will be accepted at the Utilities' office through July 9, 2018. To be considered for a grant, non-profit organizations must submit a letter requesting assistance. The letter should include information as to how the not for profit organization will use the funds to benefit the community or local economic development. Organizations must also show that funds are necessary to complete a project or program and the time frame in which the grant would be utilized.

Examples of past grants include, but are not limited to:

- Algoma school projects
- Local safety programs
- Literacy and youth programs
- Local economic development programs
- Spring/Summer festivals or events
- Park improvements
- Power quality improvement projects

Letters should be sent to: Algoma Utilities, Attn: Office Manager, 1407 Flora Avenue, Algoma, WI 54201. If you have any questions concerning the grant programs please contact the Algoma Utilities' office at (920) 487-5556.



Did You Know?

Energy costs more in the summer.

Because of increased air conditioning use, overall customer demand for electricity is at its highest in the summer months – and our cost to serve you is also the highest in the summer.

Due to higher costs across the electric system, your bill is likely to increase during this time of the year.

Here are some ways to save energy and lower your bill during the summer:

- Plan chores that require electricity for off-peak hours - 8 p.m. to 8 a.m.
- Close shades and blinds during the day to block some of the sun's warmth.
- Open the windows for fresh air and use fans when you need a little cooling effect.
- Utilize ceiling fans to circulate the air - they can make it feel 4 degrees cooler.
- Window A/C units should be shaded or kept out of the sun.
- Have your A/C unit tuned-up.
- Seal up cracks and spaces so conditioned air does not get outside.
- Grill out to avoid heating up your house.
- Unplug electrical devices you don't use.
- Line dry clothes.
- Change to LED bulbs.
- Unplug extra refrigerators/freezers. If you must have a spare the best area to keep it is in your basement. They work harder to keep items cold or frozen in the garage.
- Install a programmable thermostat and set it to 80 degrees when you are away from home.



A/C Tune-up Incentive

A tune-up of your central air conditioner unit can improve its efficiency and increase its life span. Without regular cleaning and maintenance, an air conditioner can lose up to 5% of its original efficiency for each year of operation.

Algoma Utilities offers cash incentives to encourage regular inspection and maintenance of central air conditioners. If you are a homeowner or business owner with a central air conditioner, you may be eligible for up to \$35 toward a professional service inspection and tune-up. Rebates will be granted on a first-come, first-serve basis, until allocated funds are spent.

You can obtain more information and applications for the A/C Tune-Up Incentive at our office or you can visit our website at www.algomautilities.com and look for the A/C Tune Up icon at the bottom of our home page.



Manage Your Account With e-Care

Our customer web portal offers you the option of managing your account from home at any time. Visit our home page at www.algomautilities.com and view the **Manage Your Account with e-Care** article to learn how to get started.



Pool Filling Program

Algoma Utilities offers a Pool Filling Sewer Credit Program. You can obtain a credit on the sewer portion of your utility bill if you complete a Pool Filling form. **Before you fill your pool you will need to read your water meter and again after your pool is full.**

Forms can be obtained at the utility office or by visiting: www.algomautilities.com under the Customer Services tab and click on Water Department. Then simply return the form to Algoma Utilities **prior to the end of the month your pool is filled.** Credits are only given for usage of 1,000 gallons or more.



Do you have a new number?

There are times when it is necessary that we reach you. If you have changed your phone number please call the Algoma Utilities at 920-487-5556 or fill out the form below. Then return it with your next payment so we can update our records.

-----Cut Here and Return-----

Name on Account: _____
Service Address: _____
Phone numbers: _____



Algoma Utilities' Annual Water Quality Report Available

This year's Annual Water Quality Report, also referred to as the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), is available for viewing on-line at <https://www.algomautilities.com/sites/algomautilities.com/files/2017%20CCR.pdf>.

We encourage readership of this document as it contains information on the quality of your drinking water. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Algoma Utilities makes continual efforts to improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. **Algoma Utilities is pleased to report that our drinking water is SAFE and meets federal and state requirements.**

Copies of the Consumer Confidence Report are also available at Algoma Utilities, City Hall, Chamber of Commerce and Algoma Public Library.

If you prefer to receive a paper copy of the Consumer Confidence Report by mail, please check the box below and return the form to our office. You may also request a copy by calling us at 920-487-5556 or by e-mail at algomautilities@wppienergy.org.

Please include your mailing information:
Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____

