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**Mark your calendar!!!**

Algoma Utilities will be coordinating a hazardous and recyclable materials recycling day on **Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Items such as fluorescent bulbs, ballasts, batteries and computer components (monitors, CPUs and keyboards) are disposed of in an efficient and safe manner. **Customers will be charged a disposal fee for the materials they bring in to be recycled.**

All bulbs and ballasts must be in boxes and closed. **Do not tape bulbs together.** Quantities must be written on the outside of the box. **Batteries over 9 volts must have the terminals taped.** Algoma Utilities reserves the right to deny acceptance of any material.



**Celebrate  
Public Power**

Across the nation each October, more than 2,000 community-owned utilities, like Algoma Utilities, observe Public Power Week. Public Power means our homes and businesses run on electricity provided by a utility that is community-owned, not-for-profit, and has a mission to serve local citizens.

This year, during the month of October, Algoma Utilities would like to support the Violence Intervention Project. The Violence Intervention Project provides safety and supportive service to families in crisis from domestic violence and sexual assault.

Donate a **new-packaged item from the list below** to benefit the Violence Intervention Project and **receive a FREE gift! Supplies are limited.**

- Baby Wipes
- Garbage bags
- Cleaning supplies
- Dish soap
- Body wash & deodorant
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Laundry soap & fabric softener
- Tissues & toilet paper
- Napkins & paper toweling



Please join us in supporting our local Violence Intervention Project!



**Notice To All Algoma  
Utility Customers**

For your convenience, Energy Services for Kewaunee County will be accepting applications for energy assistance at the Algoma Utilities on the following dates:

Monday, Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am – 12:00 pm
Monday, Dec 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Please call Energy Services at 920-388-0652 for more information.



**Water Main Projects**

Peters Concrete is working on several water and sewer projects in the city. The projects are scheduled to be completed in October. Below are the areas where water and sewer main are being replaced. If you have questions or concerns, please call us at 920-487-5556.

- Steele St. between Buchanan St. & Mill St.
- Navarino St. between Buchanan St. & Mill St.
- 5<sup>th</sup> St. between State St. and Steele St.

Road repair work will follow shortly after completion of the water and sewer projects.

Algoma Utilities would like to thank customers for their cooperation and patience.

# START SAVING MONEY AND ENERGY TODAY!

Algoma Utilities, in partnership with Focus on Energy, is offering a variety of FREE packs\* with energy saving products for your home.

## Packs contain a variety of products, such as:

- ENERGY STAR® qualified Light Emitting Diode (LED) Light Bulbs
- Water-Saving Bathroom Faucet Aerator
- High-Efficiency Showerhead
- Pipe Insulation
- Smart Power Strip

\*One pack per household.



Order your FREE Focus Pack at [FOCUSONENERGY.COM/SIMPLE](http://FOCUSONENERGY.COM/SIMPLE)

Please have your electric and gas utility account number available prior to ordering. If you have any questions, please call 800.230.4701



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## Why is my bill high?

The enclosed bill reflects electric and water usage from the month of September. Fans, dehumidifiers and air conditioners worked harder and longer to keep you cool and comfortable during the long stretch of heat and humidity.

Electricity is more expensive in the summer, because utilities need to have more generation and transmission capacity available to serve the peak demand for electricity. This is reflective through the Power Cost Adjustment Clause (PCAC) on the customer's bill.

Also, if you had company, watered your garden, flowers or other landscaping projects, the water and sewer portion of your bill would be higher.



## Water System Maintenance

Algoma Utilities will be doing routine water system maintenance **during the month of October**. It is necessary to flush the hydrants and exercise the water valves in order to test the water flow and pressure and also to remove any sediment in the pipes.

Maintenance will be performed between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Customers may notice discoloration of the water. If this happens, run the cold water for a few minutes until the water runs clear. Water is safe for cooking and consumption. To avoid any discoloration, customers are asked to refrain from washing light colored fabrics when we are flushing in your area.



## Energy Conservation Tips

Now is a good time to get prepared for the colder months ahead. As temperatures fluctuate so does energy usage. Home heating is the single largest energy user in a home. You can save money and stay warm by doing some simple chores around the house.

- Fill outdoor gaps between frames of doors, windows and siding with caulk and other sealants.
- Install weather stripping to prevent heat loss in gaps between doors and door frames.
- Remove window A/C units.
- Vacuum out dust and pet hair from registers.
- Have your furnace maintained by a professional to ensure safety and efficiency.
- If it is time to replace your furnace install an energy efficient unit.
- Remember to clean or replace your furnace filter monthly.
- Leave the thermostat's fan set to auto so the fan only runs when the furnace runs.
- Check the insulation levels in your attic, crawl spaces and floors to see if it meets the levels recommended.
- Move large pieces of furniture away from registers so they are not blocking them.
- Warm air rises so reverse your ceiling fan so it forces warm air back down.