

Paying too much for power? Here's how to find out—in 3 easy steps

According to the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC), more than two million people across Illinois are with alternative suppliers. Are you one of them?

Take these three steps to figure out if you're paying the best electricity price.

1 Know your utility's price. Ameren and ComEd are charging lower supply rates this summer. Is an offer from an alternative supplier a good deal? Compare it with these utility prices:

ComEd:
June-Sept. 2016: 6.19 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh)

Ameren:
June-Sept. 2016: 5.654 cents per kWh

Oct. 2016-May 2017: 6.308 cents per kWh*


Oct. 2016-May 2017: 6.427 cents per kWh for the first 800 kWh and 4.7 cents per kWh for usage above 800 kWh*

*Note: The non-summer rates are not yet final. The October 2016-May 2017 rates are estimates that could change.


2 Are you with an alternative supplier? Check the supply section of your bill. It will either list the utility, or another supplier, and the supply rate you're paying. (Rates shown below are examples and are not current.)

ComEd

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CURRENT CHARGES SUMMARY
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SUPPLY	\$52.83
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XYZ IL Power Supplier provides your energy.

CHARGE DETAILS
Residential - Single 2216 - 3016 - 04 Item

SUPPLY - XYZ IL Power Supplier	\$52.83
Electric Supply Charge	707 kWh X 1.00000 = \$46.71
Transmission Service Charge	707 kWh X 1.01100 = \$38.34
Purchased Electricity Adjustment	\$2.78

Ameren



Details From Your Electric Supplier

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Refer to supply contract for details.
For more information about your electric supply choices, visit www.pluginillinois.org.

3 Use CUB's power calculator, at www.CUBPowerCalculator.com. It's a free tool that can help you compare what you would pay with an alternative supplier versus your utility's supply rates over the next year.