## **Prevent High Energy Bills with Usage Alerts**

Unexpectedly high energy bills are an unwelcomed surprise. A malfunctioning appliance is not always apparent but can result in higher electrical usage than in the past. Receiving a high bill is a sure indicator that a problem may exist in your home's electrical system but becoming aware of the problem before a high energy bill is generated is the best way to avoid high energy bills. Now you can know about an energy problem days after it begins by setting up **Energy Usage Alerts** on your Colquitt EMC account.

To set up usage alerts, visit the Colquitt EMC website at ColquittEMC.com.

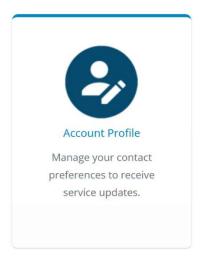
Click on the **PAY MY BILL** icon on the home page and sign in to your account. (1<sup>st</sup>-time users may need to set up access.)

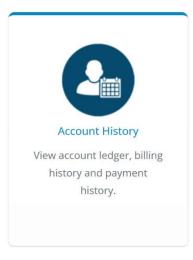
Click on **MY ACCOUNT** from the menu at the top of the screen to display the **MY ACCOUNT OPTIONS** icons, then click on the **MANAGE ALERTS** icon to open the manage alerts page.

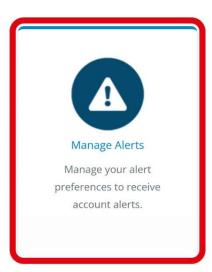
Review the email address and phone numbers in the **ALERTS SENT TO** section. Click the pencil icon on the right-hand side of the screen if you want to make changes. To receive text messages, you must opt-in since some mobile providers charge for text.

Click on the **BALANCE & USAGE NOTIFICATION** banner to open the high energy usage alert section. In the spaces provided, be sure the \$ symbol is displayed and enter the minimum <u>DAILY</u> energy \$ amount (\$) that will trigger a notification. To calculate the daily energy \$ amount, divide your target desired monthly power bill amount by 30.5 (the conversion factor). For example, if your target desired power bill is \$100, divide \$100 by 30.5 to get \$3.28. Enter \$3.28 kWh as the amount that will trigger a usage alert. Click on the slide buttons at the bottom of the page to activate the notification method. Click on the **SAVE** button to preserve your settings. \*

## My Account Options







Visit the Manage Alerts page on the Colquitt EMC website to prevent high power bills with usage alerts.

<sup>\*</sup>note: alert target amount and the actual daily energy cost my vary by up to 8 %.

To be alerted if your  Power bill is on pace to  exceed	Set alert amount to		To be alerted if your Power bill is on pace to exceed >	Set alert amount to	
\$75 / month	\$2.46	\$/day	\$310 / month	\$10.16	\$/day
\$80 / month	\$2.62	\$/day	\$320 / month	\$10.49	\$/day
\$85 / month	\$2.79	\$/day	\$330 / month	\$10.82	\$/day
\$90 / month	\$2.95	\$/day	\$340 / month	\$11.15	\$/day
\$95 / month	\$3.11	\$/day	\$350 / month	\$11.48	\$/day
\$100 / month	\$3.28	\$/day	\$360 / month	\$11.80	\$/day
\$110 / month	\$3.61	\$/day	\$370 / month	\$12.13	\$/day
\$120 / month	\$3.93	\$/day	\$380 / month	\$12.46	\$/day
\$130 / month	\$4.26	\$/day	\$390 / month	\$12.79	\$/day
\$140 / month	\$4.59	\$/day	\$400 / month	\$13.11	\$/day
\$150 / month	\$4.92	\$/day	\$410 / month	\$13.44	\$/day
\$160 / month	\$5.25	\$/day	\$420 / month	\$13.77	\$/day
\$170 / month	\$5.57	\$/day	\$430 / month	\$14.10	\$/day
\$180 / month	\$5.90	\$/day	\$440 / month	\$14.43	\$/day
\$190 / month	\$6.23	\$/day	\$450 / month	\$14.75	\$/day
\$200 / month	\$6.56	\$/day	\$460 / month	\$15.08	\$/day
\$210 / month	\$6.89	\$/day	\$470 / month	\$15.41	\$/day
\$220 / month	\$7.21	\$/day	\$480 / month	\$15.74	\$/day
\$230 / month	\$7.54	\$/day	\$490 / month	\$16.07	\$/day
\$240 / month	\$7.87	\$/day	\$500 / month	\$16.39	\$/day
\$250 / month	\$8.20	\$/day	\$510 / month	\$16.72	\$/day
\$260 / month	\$8.52	\$/day	\$520 / month	\$17.05	\$/day
\$270 / month	\$8.85	\$/day	\$530 / month	\$17.38	\$/day
\$280 / month	\$9.18	\$/day	\$540 / month	\$17.70	\$/day
\$290 / month	\$9.51	\$/day	\$550 / month	\$18.03	\$/day
\$300 / month	\$9.84	\$/day	\$560 / month	\$18.36	\$/day

TARGET MONTHLY BILL AMOUNT:	
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DAILY ENERGY COST COVERSION FACTOR:	30.5
TARGET DAILY ENERGY COST: ^	

To calculate the target daily energy \$ amount,

divide your target desired monthly power bill amount by 30.5 (the conversion factor). For example, if your target desired power bill is \$100, divide \$100 by 30.5 to get \$3.28.

^ an alert will be generated if your daily energy cost is > or = to this amount.