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Base Interruptible Program

The Base Interruptible Program (BIP) offers a monthly bill credit to businesses that commit to reducing power to a minimum pre-determined level when requested.

BIP At-A-Glance

Program Requirement	Commitment to pre-determined reduction level (Firm Service Level)
Reduction Required	Minimum of 100 kW or 15% of monthly average peak demand
Reward	A. \$7/kW monthly bill credit B. \$3/kW monthly bill credit
Notification Lead Time	A. 30 minutes B. 3 hours
Participation	Binding
Risk	A. \$4.50/kWh on usage above Firm Service Level B. \$1.88/kWh on usage above Firm Service Level

Features and Benefits

- Receive a monthly “capacity” bill credit of \$3/kW or \$7/kW—even if no load reduction needed.
- Load reduction is required only during emergency situations.
- SDG&E’s Internet-based Energy Management tool, kWickview.

Who is eligible to participate?

Businesses that can reduce electric load by 15% of their monthly average peak demand or a minimum of 100 kilowatts (kW). Customers can enroll directly with SDG&E® or through a third party.

What are the benefits of participation?

Participants in the BIP will receive a monthly bill credit of \$3/kW or \$7/kW per month for potential load reduction.

How does the program work?

Participating customers are notified within 30 minutes or 3 hours of an event. Customers must reduce load to their designated Firm Service Level to avoid an Excess Energy Usage Charge.

Are there penalties for not achieving the required load reductions?

There is a \$1.88/kWh or \$4.50/kWh penalty for excess energy usage. During a curtailment event, excess energy is any energy used above the customer’s Firm Service Level.

Can customers participate in other Demand Response programs?

Participants may be eligible to participate in other Demand Response programs, but restrictions apply. Participants cannot receive incentives from more than one program for the same load reduction.

Managing your energy use

SDG&E has programs and services to help your business get more out of the energy that you use. Information on everything from seminars to online energy analysis tools, rebates and other financial incentives can be found 24 hours a day, seven days a week at www.sdge.com/business.

For more information

The Base Interruptible Program is one of the ways SDG&E is developing energy solutions for the region. For more details on the Base Interruptible program, contact your SDG&E Account Executive, call **1-800-644-6133** or e-mail drp@semprautilities.com.

This program is available throughout California and is offered by the state’s investor-owned utilities.