

Ready to sign-up?

The TOU rate will appeal to consumers in an all electric home with high usage and those willing to use at least **65-70%** of their load during the off-peak times.

****If you have gas as a main heating source, and a gas hot water heater-chances are, you won't realize a significant savings to warrant a change.*

It is key to shift as much of your electric usage to the off-peak times for this rate to work for you.

Additional steps to take:

- Install a timer on the water bed heater and on your hot water heater so the appliances only come on during off-peak times.
- Install programmable thermostats to automatically control your heating and cooling
- Install load control equipment

***If you will be using Empire's signal and utilizing a relay switch wired by your electrician, as is recommended for Steffes ETS heaters, we will need to contact you to set up an appointment to install the new Time-Of-Use meter. You need to contact your electrician to meet our technician to connect to our signal.*

Can you change your life-style?

If you want to take the challenge to change your life-style and sign up for the TOU rate, visit with Member Services at Empire Electric. We want you to be sure about your decision. Just because the "off-peak" rate sounds appealing, there's quite a bit you have to do to comply and stick to it.

We want you to know, it's going to cost you money up front. There is an initial charge of **\$20** to set up the Time-Of-Use meter and a monthly basic charge of **\$22.50** for residential and **\$38.50** for commercial three-phase consumers.

To sign up for the Time-Of-Use (TOU) program, contact Empire Electric at 565-4444 and ask for Member Services, or come in to the main in Cortez.

A special Time-Of-Use meter will be installed at your location. This meter will measure your usage during different times of the day and you will receive your first billing on the TOU rate the following month.

NOTE: Your TOU meter is equipped with a battery back-up to ensure all programming and information is kept intact should a power outage occur.

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Time of Use Rate



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