

PEAK FLEX CREDIT

INFORMATION SHEET
MINNESOTA

BENEFIT FROM OUR NEWEST FLEXIBLE, LOAD BALANCING OPTION



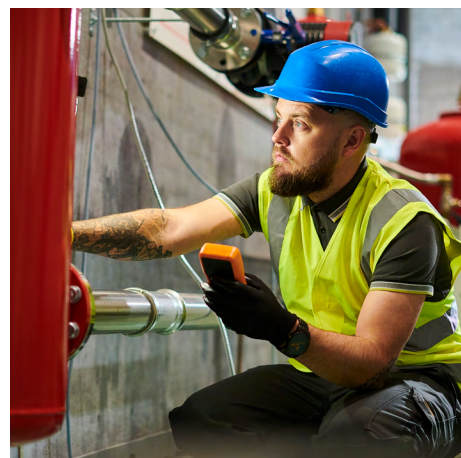
In periods of peak energy demand during seasonal spikes in summer and winter, our system may require more power than is typically available. As a business and community steward, balancing energy demands on the grid is a shared responsibility—and we're constantly designing options that fit into the demand management strategies of our commercial customers.

Introducing Peak Flex Credit, our latest rate-reducing, load-flexibility solution added to our portfolio of demand response options for commercial operations.

As a reward for adjusting energy usage, Peak Flex Credit offers monthly credits year-round or during summer months for customers willing to reduce load during peak times.

Participation benefits

Load flexibility is emerging as a way to offer dynamic, resilient and flexible demand options. Peak Flex Credit offers advantages for eligible customers in response to our expanding supply of energy resources and growing customer needs.



Savings: Participants can earn a reduction of 25%-40% in demand charges.



Flexibility: Offers flexible interruptible options rightsized to your needs.



Customer-friendly: The Yukon Demand Response management system supports two-way load control and provides remote terminal unit (RTU) usage data and event data at 15-minute intervals.

How to enroll

- Work with your account manager to get set up and select one of two response time options (with varying incentive rates):
 - Standard Response Time: You are responsible for controlling your load when requested. We will provide a minimum of one-hour advance notice of control event.
 - Fast Response Time: For approved equipment, you will control load within 10 minutes of notice. If you do not respond within 10 minutes, you will be moved to the Standard Response Time option.
- Select a control availability option:
 - All months: customers will receive year-round monthly credits in exchange for making load reductions available year-round.
 - Summer months (June through September): customers will receive credits during all four months only in exchange for making load reductions available during the summer.
- Choose your maximum threshold annual control hours:
 - 64 hours
 - 100 hours
- Provide a Firm Demand value. This is the demand value that you agree to reduce your load to during an event. Monthly bill credits will be determined based on the difference between your actual peak demand each month and the firm demand value provided.

For more details, see the program tariff and talk to your Account Manager.

- We will install additional metering equipment at no cost that will allow for real time visibility into your energy usage.
 - Additional equipment may be installed at your expense to participate in the Fast Response program tier.
- Receive notifications prior to control event.
- Sign an Electric Service Agreement for Peak Flex Credit.

Eligibility

- Your building receives Xcel Energy electric service in Minnesota.
- You're able to provide load reductions of at least 50kW during summer months.
- You commit to a minimum period of one year participation.
- Your rate schedule is one of the following: A14, A15, or A25.
- You do not participate in our Critical Peak Pricing program or any other demand response program while participating in Peak Flex Credit.
- You will not utilize a diesel backup generator to reduce load during a control event.
- An interval meter needs to be in place with 15-minute interval data to participate in the program. Customers that do not have the required metering can pay to have it installed.

Three event types

Control events (Required)

- Control events are most likely to be called between 12 p.m. and 8 p.m.
- To remain active on the program, there is an event curtailment commitment required and costs associated with failures to control during Required Control Events per the program terms and conditions.

Economic events

- Customers will be electronically notified at least two hours in advance. (Notice will include the buy-through price.)
- Customers can opt out of interruption and pay a buy-through price communicated prior to the event.

Annual test events

- Annual tests to determine load reduction obligation and economic events based on utility discretion.

Peak Flex Credit Incentive

For participating in Peak Flex Credit and adhering to controlled load requirements, you will receive bill credits based on your selected response time options:

	Maximum Annual Control Hours	
	Level 1	Level 2
Standard Response Time	64 Hours	100 Hours
All months	\$4.55/kW	\$4.75/kW
Summer months	\$5.41/kW	\$5.66/kW
Fast Response Time	64 Hours	100 Hours
All months	\$5.27/kW	\$6.12/kW
Summer months	\$6.49/kW	\$7.41/kW



Learn more and get started

To get additional information and determine if Peak Flex Credit is for you, contact **PeakFlexCreditMN@xcelenergy.com** or your Xcel Energy account manager, or our Business Solutions Center at **855-839-8862**.

