



## Meter Reading

Metering data is used for two purposes:

- The read is used to calculate the members' monthly electricity invoice. Where a read is not available, an estimate is used in the calculation.
- The meter read (or an estimate, where a meter read is not available) is used by AESO to generate the monthly Power Pool invoice, which the REA is required to pay for the purchase of the aggregated consumption of all members' power usage. The dollar amount on the Power Pool invoice is either based on the hourly power pool price or based on the forward hedged price secured by Ermineskin REA.

Accuracy in reading your meter is critical in not only making sure your monthly invoice is correct, but also in ensuring the REA is not overcharged by AESO. It is our goal to minimize the amount of estimates used in the monthly meter read cycle. As such, Members are encouraged to read your meters.

Remember, always read the meters from left to right. When reading the dials, always read to the lower number.

Example:



In this example, there are five dials. Each dial rotates in an opposite direction from the one beside it and the numbers are in correct numerical sequence for the direction in which the dial rotates. In this example Dial #1 (far right) rotates clockwise and represents kilowatt hours. Dial #2 (second from far right) rotates counter clockwise and represents tens of kilowatt hours, etc. The meter reading in this example is 66649 kilowatt hours.

FortisAlberta will only accept meter reads on certain days of the month depending on which bill cycle your meter is on. To find out which days you can submit your meter read, you need to phone FortisAlberta at 310-WIRE(9473).

**Tip:** Your meter dials work like a car's odometer. When a dial has made one full rotation, it will return to 0 (and the dial to the left will advance by one). If a dial isn't pointing exactly to 0, the dial hasn't made one full rotation yet. This means that, even if the dial to the left looks like it's pointing exactly to one number, it hasn't quite made it there yet. This is why it's important to read the meter from right to left. When a dial is between two numbers, choose the lower number. When the dial is between 9 and 0, think of the 0 as a 10. This means that 9 is the lowest number.

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We are changing the date that we are processing our invoices. We will be starting to mail out our invoices around the 15th of each month. The DUE date will now be the last day of the month.

Parade of Programs will be on June 7th. It starts at 9 am until 3 pm at the Neyaskweyahk Arena. We will have a booth with our Board of Directors in attendance.

We would love to see you there. Please stop by and say hi to us!

If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Thank you for your patience during this transitional period.

We have a position for a Director on our Board. Please contact Personnel at the Band Office.

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