



NEWS RELEASE

CONSERVATION IMPORTANT DURING HEAT WAVE

Simple Steps to Reduce Electricity Consumption

July 20, 2011 – MISSISSAUGA, Ontario – As temperatures rise in Mississauga and other parts of Ontario, Enersource wants to ensure that customers are comfortable, while keeping in mind the need to conserve electricity usage during peak times. When the mercury rises, so does the use of air conditioners, which increases the demand and strain on our electricity grid.

To reduce electricity consumption during a heat wave, customers are encouraged to follow some simple steps:

- turn thermostats up 3 to 5 degrees (i.e. from 21°C to 24°C)
- use ceiling and/or stationary fans
- turn off any unnecessary electrical devices, not in use
- close drapes to block the sun
- close air registers and doors in rooms not being used
- avoid use of the oven during the afternoon and early evening.

The city of Mississauga has many other ways to cool down, including spray pads, swimming pools and even local movie theatres. For more ideas on beating the heat outside of your home, please visit www.mississauga.ca.

To see more household conservation tips, please visit www.enersource.com.

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