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Duquesne Light Company Offers Tips to Customers to Conserve Energy and Stay Cool as Temperatures Rise This Week

PITTSBURGH – As the region enters the height of summertime, temperatures across the area are expected to reach the 90s this week. While Duquesne Light Company prepares internally by staffing based on the daily weather prediction, carrying replacement transformers on trucks and making sure employees who work in the heat take frequent breaks, stay hydrated and use cooling band head or neckwear, customers are encouraged to consider ways to conserve energy and help to alleviate stress to the power grid during hot days.

Energy conservation and cooling suggestions from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission include:

- Turn off non-essential appliances and as many lights as possible.
- Avoid using appliances that produce heat, such as clothes dryers, dishwashers and stoves until after 7 p.m.
- Use ceiling fans to circulate the air
- Relax in rooms that do not receive direct sunlight.
- If you have window air conditioning units, close off rooms that are not in use.
- Ensure that all air conditioner filters are clean and in good shape.
- Replace filters monthly and check air and return vents on a regular basis to keep circulation air paths clear.
- On hot and humid days, set your thermostat at 78 degrees when you are home and 85 degrees or off when you are away for long periods of time.

Customers can find more energy conservation tips and programs on the WattChoices website at <https://wattchoices.duquesnelight.com>.

While Duquesne Light is prepared, power outages are sometimes unavoidable. Customers should report outages by phone at 1-888-393-7000 or at www.duquesnelight.com via desktop or smartphone.

About Duquesne Light Company

Duquesne Light Company is committed to more than keeping the lights on; it powers the moments in its customers' lives. As a next generation energy company, Duquesne Light Company's nearly 1,500 employees are dedicated to delivering reliable and safe energy to more than a half a million customers in southwestern Pennsylvania.

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