

CITY OF ARLINGTON
UTILITY BILLING DEPARTMENT
GREEN POWER CHOICE
PARTICIPATION FORM

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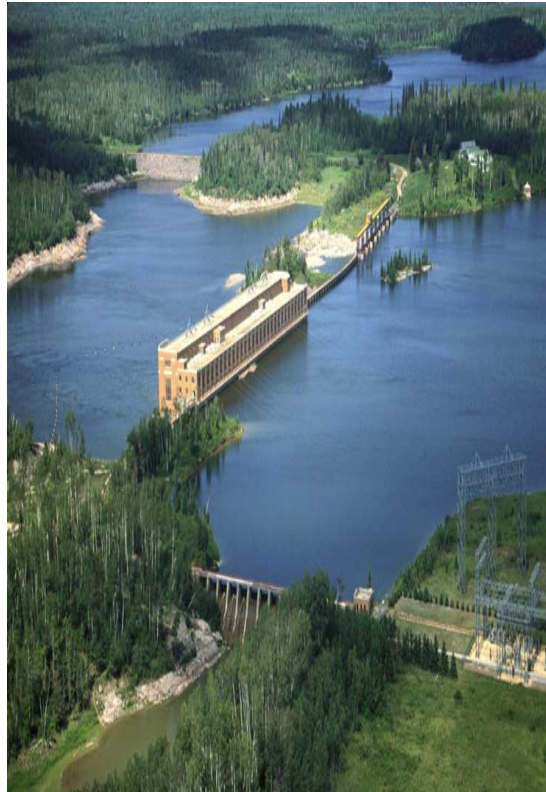
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Please specify total number of 100 kWh blocks you wish to purchase each month. Please note that you can request any combination of Hydro and Wind Power blocks.

___ blocks (100 kWh) of
Hydropower @ \$1.75 per
block

___ blocks (100 kWh) of
Wind power @ \$1.75 per
block

Thank you for your participation!!



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We've added **Wind Power** to our Green Power Choice Program to provide you with this **great opportunity** to help contribute to a **cleaner environment** for this generation and the next.

GREEN POWER CHOICE

What is the Green Power Choice program?

Green Power Choice is a **voluntary program** offered to customers of the City of Arlington's Utility Department. The Green Power Choice program currently offers **Hydropower** (purchased from **Manitoba Hydro**) and **Wind Power** (purchased from the **Dairyland Power Cooperative**).



Why should I buy green power?

By using **fossil fuels**, such as coal, oil and natural gas to create electricity we help create **air pollutants**, which result in environmental hazards such as **smog**, **acid rain** and **global warming**.

An average US household also generates **35,000 pounds of CO₂** every year – **twice the amount** used by an average household in **Europe or Japan!** – equivalent to **cutting down 4 acres of forest** or **driving 19,000 miles!**

By purchasing green power you are **supporting increased reliance** on renewable energy sources, thereby **reducing the burning of fossil fuels**.

HYDRO

Why should I participate in the Hydro Program?

By purchasing 1 “**block**” of **hydropower** each month for a year you can affect change equivalent to **planting 1/2 acre of trees** or **not driving your car 2400 miles!** (Buying 6 blocks each month for a year is like taking **one car off the road for a year!**)

WIND

What is wind energy?

Wind energy is a converted form of solar energy. About 1 to 2 percent of the energy coming from the sun is converted into wind energy.

Why is wind energy beneficial to the environment?

Wind energy system operations **do not generate air or water emissions** and do not produce hazardous waste. Nor **do they deplete natural resources** such as coal, oil, or gas, or cause environmental damage through resource extraction and transportation, or require significant amounts of water during operation. **Wind power is a clean, renewable form of energy**, which produces no carbon dioxide.

Furthermore, when wind farms are dismantled **they leave no legacy of pollution for future generations**. Wind's pollution-free electricity can help **reduce the environmental damage caused by power generation** in the U.S. and worldwide.



How will purchasing green power affect my monthly bill?

Hydropower and wind power are offered in **blocks of 100 kilowatthours (kWh)** for a charge of **\$1.75 per block**. You can choose to purchase **any combination** of wind or hydro blocks, thus you decide how much you are willing to contribute to support the use of renewable energy. So if you choose to buy 3 blocks (300 kWh) of hydropower and 2 blocks of wind power (200kWh) an additional **\$8.75** will be added to your bill. ($5 \times \$1.75 = \8.75)

How do I sign up?

Signing up is easy! Simply fill out the **Participation Form** on the back of this brochure and place it in the envelope with your payment for this month.