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## Ways to Pay Your Altamaha EMC/Fiber Bill

Paying utility bills is an essential part of every household or business. Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation provides various convenient methods for our members to pay their bills. These methods are designed to make the payment process easier and faster, whether you prefer traditional methods or the latest technology.

Here are the different ways to pay your Altamaha EMC/Fiber bills:

**Online Payment:** We offer online bill payment through our website. Members can pay their bills using a credit or debit card or by electronic check. To access the online payment system, members need to create an account and log in to their account. Online payments are quick, secure, and easy to manage.

**Mobile App:** Download our mobile app for Android and iOS devices! The app allows members to view their bills, make payments, check their usage, and manage their accounts. The mobile app is a convenient option for members who are always on the go.

**Automatic Draft:** Altamaha EMC/Fiber offers an automatic draft option for customers who want to simplify their bill payments. With automatic draft, payments are automatically deducted from the member's bank account on the due date. Members can set up automatic draft by completing a form available on the Altamaha EMC website portal.

**Kiosk:** We have kiosks at all four of our office locations for members to pay their bills. The kiosks accept cash, checks, and credit or debit cards. Members can also view their bills and

account information at the kiosk. Be sure to check out our brand-new kiosk at the Lyons drive-thru!

**Over the Phone:** Members can pay their bills over the phone by calling the Altamaha EMC automated phone system and following the prompts. Payments can be made using a credit or debit card or by electronic check. Members can also use this option to get information about their bills and account balances. If you would like to pay your bill with one of our customer service representatives just select the prompt and you will be connected.

**Mail-in Payment:** Members can pay their bills by mail using a check or money order. Be sure to mail your payment to the P.O. Box listed on your bill. It's important to allow enough time for the payment to arrive before the due date.

**Night Deposit Boxes:** Altamaha EMC/Fiber provides night deposit boxes at all four of our office locations for customers to drop off their bill payments. Members can use this option to make payments after hours or on weekends.

**In-Person Payment:** Members can pay their bills in person at one of the Altamaha EMC offices. Payments can be made using cash, check, or credit or debit card.

In conclusion, Altamaha EMC/Fiber offers several convenient methods for members to pay their bills. Whether you prefer online, mobile, or traditional methods, Altamaha EMC/Fiber has an option for you. By providing multiple payment options, we ensure that members can easily manage their bills and account information.

# Get Smart About Home Lighting

Gone are the days when lighting our homes meant simply flipping a switch. We now live in an era of advanced technology and intelligent solutions, including the introduction of smart lighting. At Altamaha EMC, we understand the numerous advantages that come with embracing this innovative option.

One of the key benefits of smart lighting is its energy efficiency. Most smart bulbs utilize LED technology, which is far more efficient than traditional incandescent lighting. By making the switch to smart lighting, you can significantly reduce energy consumption for lighting purposes. Moreover, smart lighting allows you to have greater control over how and when your home is illuminated, further optimizing energy usage.

Convenience and control are additional advantages provided by smart lighting. With most smart bulbs, you can easily control them through a smartphone app or by pairing them with voice assistants like Amazon Alexa. This means you can effortlessly manage your lighting settings from anywhere within your home or even when you're away. Whether you want to establish automated lighting schedules or adjust brightness levels, these smart options give you complete control from wherever you may be.

Smart lighting also empowers you to personalize your home's lighting experience. Whether you desire a bright, warm atmosphere or wish to experiment with vibrant colors to create a specific mood, smart lighting can help you achieve it all. You can opt for dimmable white bulbs for a more traditional look or explore bulbs that offer a wide range of customizable colors. The possibilities are endless, allowing you to create the perfect ambiance for any occasion.

It's important to note that in order to control smart bulbs from your phone or through voice commands, your wall light switch needs to remain in the "on" position to provide power to the bulbs and enable them to connect to your Wi-Fi network. However, if you prefer additional options for controlling the lights, you may consider installing a smart light switch. Modern smart switches are designed to work seamlessly with smart bulbs and often come with features that enable both physical and digital control. Some even incorporate motion detectors for added convenience.

If you're considering integrating multiple smart bulbs into your home lighting system, a starter kit such as the Philips Hue Starter Kit might be your best choice. These kits typically include several bulbs and all the necessary tools to get you started on your smart lighting journey.

For those new to smart home technology and looking for a smaller-scale introduction, starting with a smart bulb in a high-traffic area of your home can be a great option. Additionally, smart plugs are an affordable and straightforward solution for conveniently controlling lamps and other plugged-in lighting fixtures. These plugs simply connect to your existing outlets and can be operated through a smartphone app, much like smart bulbs.

Whether you're seeking enhanced convenience, customizable lighting options, or improved energy management, smart lighting offers multiple benefits. Determine which features are most important for your specific needs, and then embark on your smart lighting journey. At Altamaha EMC, we're here to support you every step of the way.



# Uncashed Refund Checks

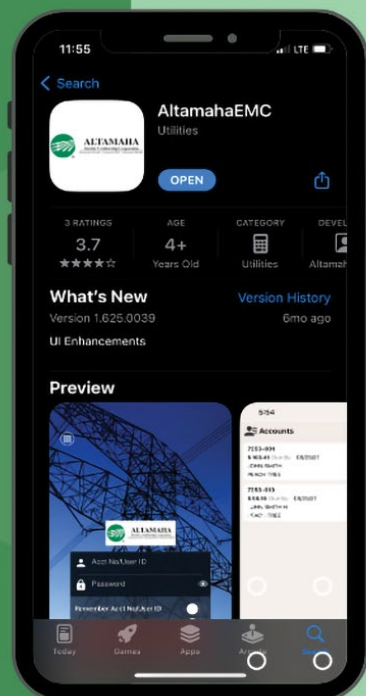
Below is a list of former Altamaha EMC members who have uncashed refund checks. If your name appears on the list below, please contact us at 912-526-2120 before August 1, 2023. If these checks aren't claimed by August 1, 2023, we will deliver the funds to the Georgia Department of Revenue, Unclaimed Property Program as required by law. After this date, any attempts to reclaim your money will need to be directed to the Georgia Department of Revenue.

Bauer, Nicholas Scott	Harris, Amanda Charlette	Outlaw, Kimberly Denise
Bivins, Mary Laws	Hobbs, Judy	Paull, William John
Bloodworth, John Wesley	Hooks, Martha	Pickle, Jared A
Boaen, Joseph M	Horton, Edward K	Pittman, Warren Joseph Jr.
Bowen, Sabrina Renee	Jackson, Kelli Leight	Quistian, Donna Raye
Brown, Ludie P	Jones, Doris	Reed, Christopher Michael
Brunson, Amber Paige	Jones, Michael Geroid	Richardson, Doreatha
Buzzell, Anne Marie	Jones, Mitchell	Ricks, Sammy
Conley, Jackie D	Juan, Lucindy	Rowley, Charles T
Cooper, Clayton James	Kight, Roy W. Jr.	Santiago, David A
Copeland, Jacob M	King, Roshanda	Santiago, Marcos
Crabb, Benjamin	Kornegay, Jalani F	Scott, Anquanetta
Creamer, Amber Nichole	Lawson, Kisha	Scott, Jamika Latoya
Crowder, Jessica Lynn	Livingston, Robin Dwayne	Scott, Lauren Elizabeth
Davis, Jakayla	Love, Alesa	Screws, Dustin T
Denmark, Michael L	Lovett, Cecilia Anne	Sewell, Nona
Driver, Tanya Lajoye	Mata, Rigoberto	Slaton, Megan L
Dunning, Derrick Quintin	Mccartney, Amanda Adkins	Smith, Abbie G
Durham, Brittania Leigh	Mcclendon, Lashonda	Smith, Cody Alan
Elkins, Emily Jaira	Mccoy, Francesca Leann	Smith, Tyler Michael
Emery, James W Jr.	Mccullough, Dorothy	Smoak, Gerald Wayne Jr.
Etheridge, Brian Anthony	Mendoza, Jesus	Stoute, Edward E III
Figueroa, Valdemar	Merchant, Kellie	Vandergieft, Megan
Garcia, Gerbin O	Mimbs, Shane Ronald	Ventura, Stacy M
Garniner, Brittany Lee	Mimbs, Shane Ronald	Wallace, Dajiah
Gomez, Demcio Dario	Mosley, John A	White, Barbara Ann
Goodman, Ryan	Moyer, Amanda	Wilder, Nacolle Ashley
Grant, Kenneth	Oneal, J H	Williamson, Heather Leigh
Green, Glenda Maria	Oneal, Kandace B	Wilson, Wendell Van

## Download Our App

### ON-THE-GO ACCESS

- Monitor Usage 24/7
- Make Payments
- View Account Information
- Report Outages
- View Outage Map





# Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

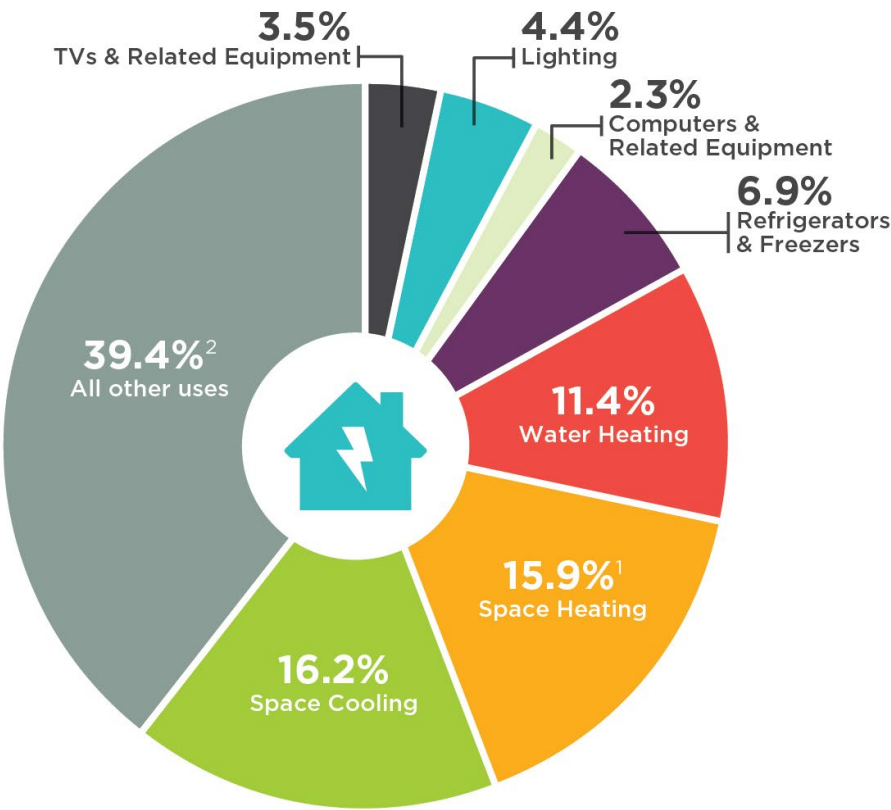
Looking for additional ways to save energy this summer? Your laundry room is a great place to start. Wash clothes with cold water, which can cut one load's energy use by more than half. Your washing machine will use the same amount of energy no matter the size of the clothes load, so fill it up when you can. When drying clothes, separate the heavier cottons. Loads will dry faster and more evenly if you separate heavier cottons like linens and towels from your lightweight clothing.

Source: Dept. of Energy



# How Americans Use Electricity

The latest data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration shows the combined use of clothes washers and dryers, dishwashers, small appliances and other electrical equipment (noted as "all other uses" below) accounts for the largest percentage of electricity consumption in American homes.



Source: Energy Information Administration 2022

<sup>1</sup>Includes consumption for heat and operating furnace fans and boiler pumps.

<sup>2</sup>Includes miscellaneous electronics, clothes washers and dryers, cooking equipment, dishwashers, heating elements, and motors.



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# Member RECIPES

## Pecan Upside Down Bundt

### INGREDIENTS:

1 box yellow cake mix  
1 pack instant vanilla pudding  
3 eggs  
½ cup oil  
1 cup water  
½ cup light brown sugar  
1 stick melted butter  
1 cup whole pecans  
½ cup chopped pecans

### DIRECTIONS:

Mix all the ingredients together in a bowl, except for the butter and sugar. Set this mixture aside. Take a bundt pan, square pan, or oblong pan, and generously spray it with baking spray to prevent sticking. Melt the butter and pour it into the prepared pan. Sprinkle a layer of brown sugar over the melted butter, and then evenly distribute the pecans on top. Pour the cake batter over the brown sugar and pecans. Preheat your oven to 350°F (175°C). Bake the cake for 35 to 42 minutes. If using a Bundt pan, it may take around 45 minutes. Once the cake is baked, allow it to cool in the pan before turning it out onto a plate. Serve and enjoy!

***Note: It's important to thoroughly cool the cake before removing it from the pan to ensure it retains its shape.***

***-From the kitchen of Anita Shepherd***

Each month, our newsletter features recipes submitted by our members. If you have a favorite recipe and would like to share it with other readers in the Altamaha EMC service area, send a copy, complete with name, address and daytime phone number to: Tammye Vaughn, Altamaha EMC, P.O. Box 346, Lyons, GA 30436. Each month, a recipe will be selected for publication. The member who submitted the featured recipe will be given a \$10 credit on their next Altamaha EMC bill. Due to limited space, not all recipes received will be featured. Recipes printed in *Plugged In* are not independently tested; therefore, we must depend on the accuracy of those members who send recipes to us.