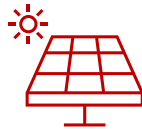


Net Bill Explainer – **the Basics**

Understanding Time of Day Rates

when your home has
Solar Panels and/or Batteries



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- Location

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- Stored in a battery

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CMLP's Time of Day rate changes with **rate phase,** season, day, hour, and location

Rate Step

Initial **(2026)** Phase 1:

Smaller cost differences between time periods

Helps customers **get acquainted** with how Time of Day rates work

Final **(2027)** Phase 2:

Larger cost differences between time periods

Gives customers **transparency** on true costs for CMLP to purchase energy on the open market

CMLP's Time of Day rate changes with rate phase, **season,** day, hour, and location

Time of Year

Standard			Shoulder		Standard				Shoulder		
Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Winter			Spring		Summer				Fall		

Typically, more electricity is needed in winter and summer and less in spring and fall

When demand is high in New England, CMLP must pay more to buy electricity from the regional grid

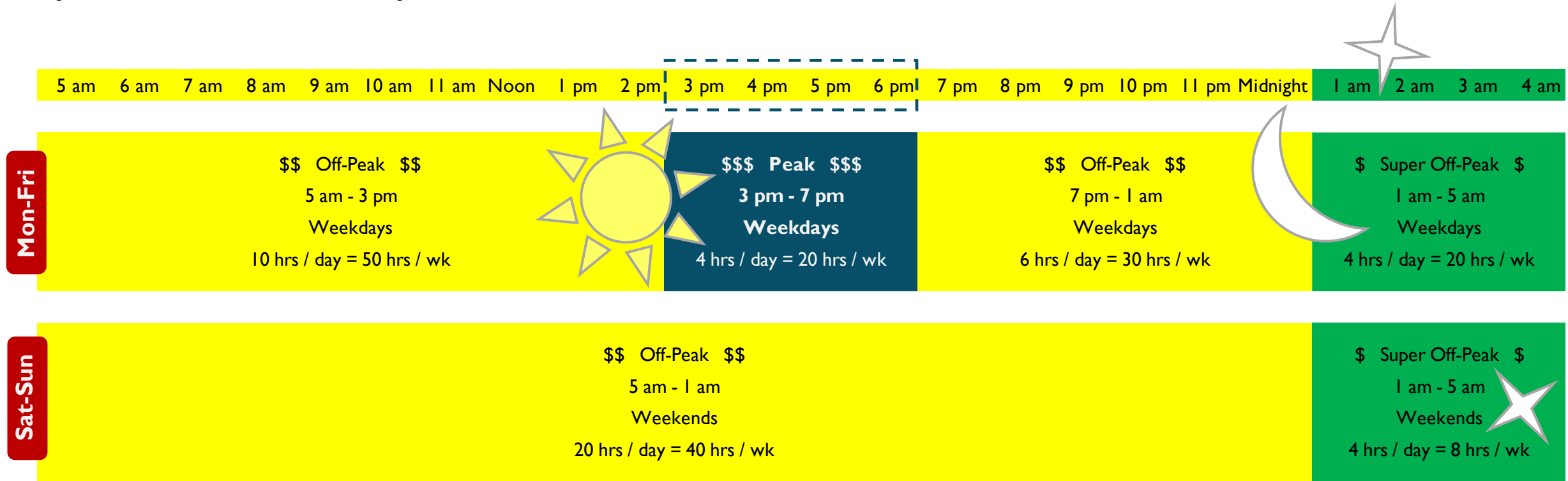
As a result, CMLP rates are:

more expensive in **standard seasons** (8 months = 2/3 of each year)

less expensive in **shoulder seasons** (4 months = 1/3 of each year)

CMLP's Time of Day rate changes with rate phase, season, **day, hour,** and location

Day of Week & Hour of Day



CMLP's Time of Day rate changes with rate phase, season, day, hour, and **location**

Direction of Energy Flow

Value per kWh **Used at Home**
(from Grid, Solar, or Battery)

Value per kWh can be ...

Charges for electricity CMLP delivered to you

- or -

Savings from solar electricity used at home, which displaces kWh you would have **drawn from the grid**

Bill Credit per kWh **Sent to Grid**
(from *Solar* only)

batteries not allowed to send to grid

Credits for **solar** electricity CMLP received from you

- because -

If you can't immediately use solar electricity at home or store it in a battery, it is **sent to the grid**

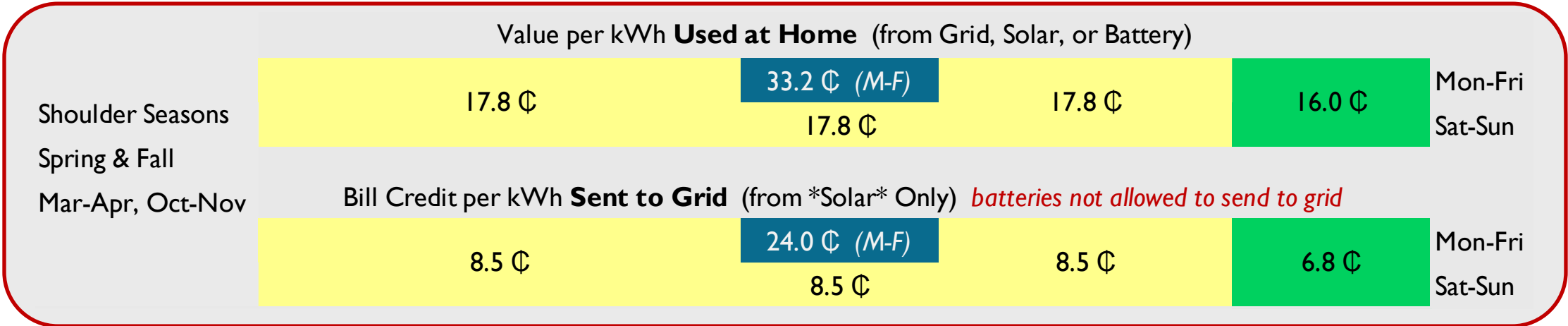
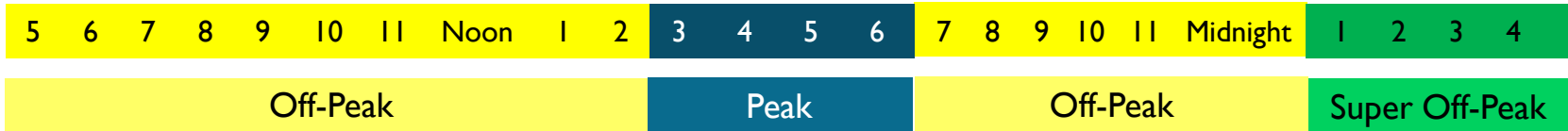
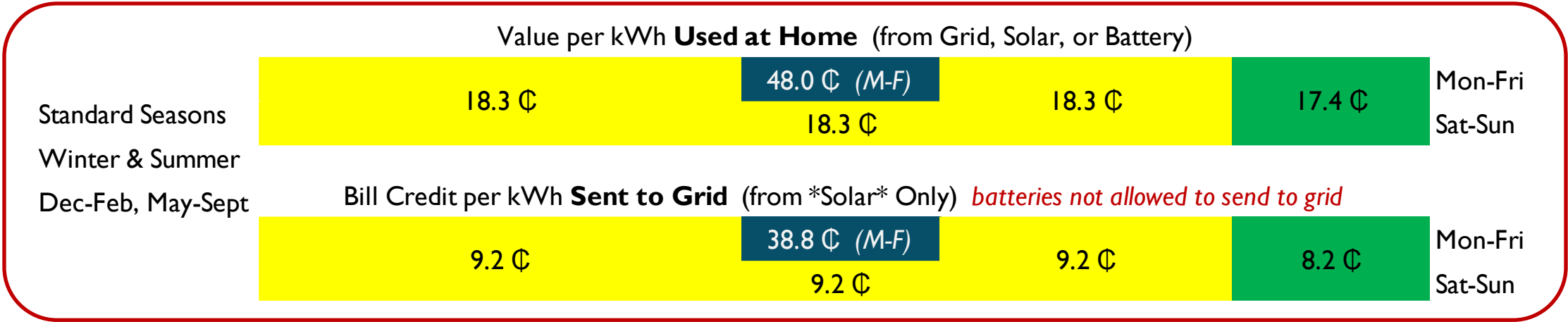
Time of Day Rates Phase I - Initial

		Value per kWh Used at Home (from Grid, Solar, or Battery)																	
Standard Seasons Winter & Summer Dec-Feb, May-Sept		20.4 ¢					30.3 ¢ (M-F)				20.4 ¢					20.1 ¢		Mon-Fri	Sat-Sun
							20.4 ¢												
		Bill Credit per kWh Sent to Grid (from *Solar* Only) <i>batteries not allowed to send to grid</i>																	
		11.2 ¢					21.1 ¢ (M-F)				11.2 ¢					10.9 ¢		Mon-Fri	Sat-Sun
							11.2 ¢												



		Value per kWh Used at Home (from Grid, Solar, or Battery)																	
Shoulder Seasons Spring & Fall Mar-Apr, Oct-Nov		20.2 ¢					25.4 ¢ (M-F)				20.2 ¢					19.6 ¢		Mon-Fri	Sat-Sun
							20.2 ¢												
		Bill Credit per kWh Sent to Grid (from *Solar* Only) <i>batteries not allowed to send to grid</i>																	
		11.0 ¢					16.2 ¢ (M-F)				11.0 ¢					10.5 ¢		Mon-Fri	Sat-Sun
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Time of Day Rates Phase 2 - Final



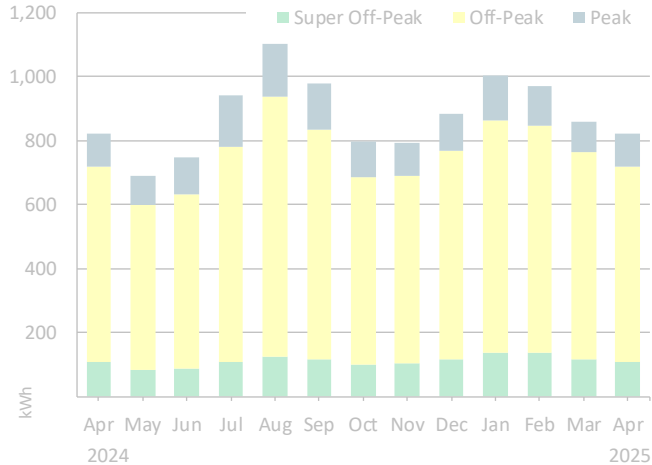
What your Net Bill shows (right side)

Electric

Description: ELE SOLAR

Services			Readings		Meter Multiplier	kWh Usage	Meter #	Rate Schedule	Description		
From	To	Days	Previous	Present					NETCP	NETCS	NETCO
03/1/2025	04/1/2025	31	3463	3565	1.0	102	123456789	NETCP	Net Electricity Consumed	during Peak hours	
03/1/2025	04/1/2025	31	945	1051	1.0	106	123456789	NETCS	Net Electricity Consumed	during Super Off-Peak hrs	
03/1/2025	04/1/2025	31	1986	2598	1.0	612	123456789	NETCO	Net Electricity Consumed	during Off-Peak hours	
03/1/2025	04/1/2025	31	247	269	1.0	22	123456789	NETGP	Net Electricity Generated	during Peak hours	
03/1/2025	04/1/2025	31	0	0	1.0	0	123456789	NETGS	Net Electricity Generated	during Super Off-Peak hrs	
03/1/2025	04/1/2025	31	886	1541	1.0	655	123456789	NETGO	Net Electricity Generated	during Off-Peak hours	

Your past and current electricity usage



Details of your new charges

Delivered Energy Charges - Cost to supply your electricity

Peak	102 kWh @ 0.30315	\$ 30.92
Super Off Peak	106 kWh @ 0.20117	\$ 21.32
Off Peak	612 kWh @ 0.04267	\$ 26.12
PCA	820 kWh @ (0.04267)	\$ (34.99)
NYPA Credit		\$ (2.80)

Received Energy Credits - Credits from your solar generation

Peak	22 kWh @ 0.21132	\$ (4.65)
Super Off Peak	0 kWh @ 0.10934	\$ (0.00)
Off Peak	655 kWh @ 0.11249	\$ (73.68)

Delivery Charges - Cost to distribute your electricity

Customer Charges		\$ 20.00
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Electricity that is... drawn from the grid is **delivered** to you by CMLP and **charged** on your bill

Rate schedules call this **consumed** energy

Electricity that is... sent to the grid is **received** from you by CMLP and **credited** on your bill

Rate schedules call this **generated** energy

What your Net Bill shows (left side)

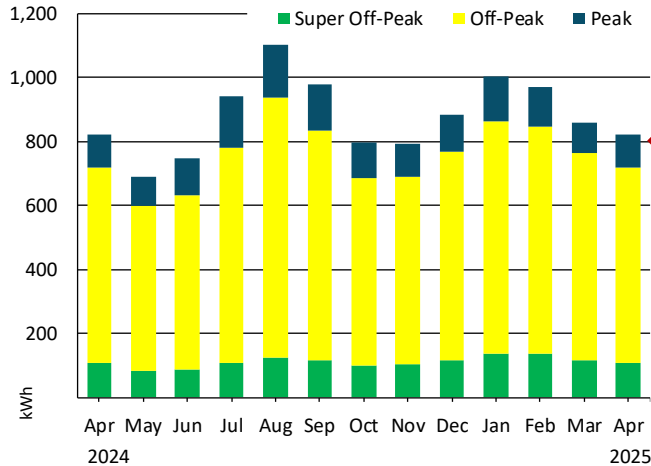
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The graph displays a 13-month history of your energy use

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Customer Charges			\$ 20.00

Within each month, different colors highlight the amount of electricity that CMLP **delivered*** (you drew from grid) during **Peak, Off-Peak, and Super Off-Peak** time periods

**Note: received (you sent to grid) does not display on graph*

*NOTE:

Your utility meter doesn't interface with your solar production meter. CMLP's meter can only count the excess solar energy your home didn't use. See the "Net Bill Explainer – The Details" resource for calculating your home's total monthly electric use - the kWh from the grid plus the solar electricity used at home.

Want to know more?

Read further information in our other resource,
“Net Bill Explainer – the Details” to learn about ...

Net Billing - the Details

Slide 3: How net usage is... - Talled within each hour

Slide 4: Electric rate components when CMLP... - Brings electricity from the regional grid to Concord
- Distributes electricity on our local grid within Concord

Slide 5: When to... - Charge vs. discharge your battery
- Use solar electricity at home, store it in your battery, or send it to the grid

Slide 6: Calculate your total home usage recorded by... - Your solar meter
- Your utility meter

For more information or other questions about installing, generating, storing, and billing solar in Concord

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The screenshot shows the website for the Town of Concord, Massachusetts. The header includes the town's logo and name, along with navigation links for Government, Services, Residents, Visitors, and How Do I... A search bar is also present. The main content area features a large image of a wooden bridge over a pond, with the URL www.concordma.gov overlaid. A sidebar on the left contains links such as 'Lease/Buy/Choose an Installer', 'How to Read Your Solar Net Metered Bill', and 'Solar Net Metering Credit - Historic Rates'. The main content area displays 'Solar Panels and Batteries' with a 'SOLAR in Concord - Overview' section and a 'Rebate' section. A navigation menu on the right lists: Home, > Government, > Departments, > Municipal Light Plant, > Energy Saving Rebates & Services, > Your Home, > Rebates for Your Home, and > Solar Panels.

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Solar Panels and Batteries

SOLAR in Concord - Overview

18 slides on:

- Financial, environmental, & energy independence benefits of solar
- Siting decisions and, if you move ahead, steps in the process
- Ways to learn, do, give, and ask more on these topics

Rebate

CMLP Solar PV Rebate: \$625 per KW(DC) of installed solar PV generation capacity, capped at \$3,125 per service address. Residential