

Prevent High Power Bills with Usage Alerts

Unexpectedly high power bills are an unwelcomed surprise. A malfunctioning appliance is not always apparent but can result in higher electrical usage than in the past. Receiving a high bill is a sure indicator that a problem may exist in your home's electrical system but becoming aware of the problem before a high power bill is generated is the best way to avoid high power bills. Now you can know about an energy problem days after it begins by setting up **Energy Usage Alerts** on your Colquitt EMC account.

To set up usage alerts, visit the Colquitt EMC website at ColquittEMC.com.

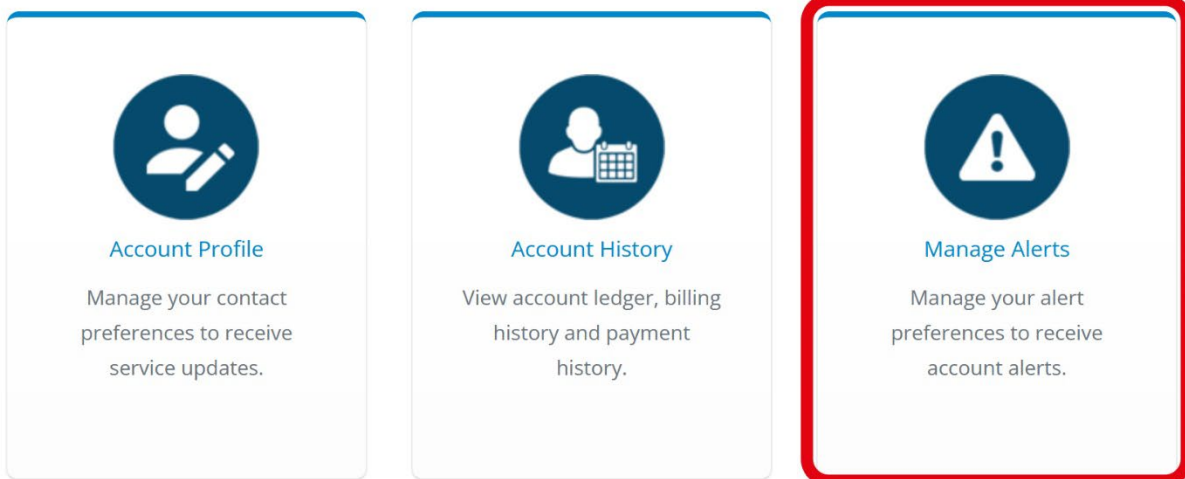
Click on the **PAY MY BILL** icon on the home page and sign in to your account. (1st-time users may need to set up access.)

Click on **MY ACCOUNT** from the menu at the top of the screen to display the **MY ACCOUNT OPTIONS** icons, then click on the **MANAGE ALERTS** icon to open the manage alerts page.

Review the email address and phone numbers in the **ALERTS SENT TO** section. Click the pencil icon on the right-hand side of the screen if you want to make changes. To receive text messages, you must opt-in since some mobile providers charge for text.

Click on the **BALANCE & USAGE NOTIFICATION** banner to open the high energy usage alert section. In the spaces provided, be sure the kWh symbol is displayed and enter the minimum DAILY energy usage amount (kWh) that will trigger a notification. To calculate the daily energy usage amount, divide your peak desired monthly power bill amount by **5.1** (the conversion factor). For example, if your peak desired power bill is \$100, divide \$100 by **5.1** to get 20 kWh. Enter 20 kWh as the amount that will trigger a usage alert. Click on the slide buttons at the bottom of the page to activate the notification method. Click on the **SAVE** button to preserve your settings.

My Account Options



The image shows three account options in a row, each with a circular icon and a title. The 'Manage Alerts' option is highlighted with a red border.

- Account Profile**: Manage your contact preferences to receive service updates.
- Account History**: View account ledger, billing history and payment history.
- Manage Alerts**: Manage your alert preferences to receive account alerts.

Visit the Manage Alerts page on the Colquitt EMC website to prevent high power bills with usage alerts.

To be alerted if your Power bill is on pace to exceed	Set alert KWH to	To be alerted if your Power bill is on pace to exceed	Set kWh amount to
\$50 / month	9	\$310 / month	65
\$60 / month	11	\$320 / month	67
\$70 / month	13	\$330 / month	70
\$80 / month	14	\$340 / month	72
\$90 / month	16	\$350 / month	74
\$100 / month*	20	\$360 / month	76
\$110 / month	22	\$370 / month	78
\$120 / month	24	\$380 / month	80
\$130 / month	26	\$390 / month	82
\$140 / month	28	\$400 / month	84
\$150 / month	30	\$410 / month	86
\$160 / month	32	\$420 / month	89
\$170 / month	34	\$430 / month	91
\$180 / month	36	\$440 / month	93
\$190 / month	38	\$450 / month	95
\$200 / month	40	\$460 / month	97
\$210 / month	42	\$470 / month	99
\$220 / month	44	\$480 / month	101
\$230 / month	47	\$490 / month	103
\$240 / month	51	\$500 / month	105
\$250 / month	53	\$510 / month	108
\$260 / month	55	\$520 / month	110
\$270 / month	57	\$530 / month	112
\$280 / month	59	\$540 / month	114
\$290 / month	61	\$550 / month	116
\$300 / month	63	\$560 / month	118

Divide target monthly bill amount by 5.1 to calculate equivalent daily kilowatt-hour target.

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 $\$100 / 5.1 = 20$ kwh per day