

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Village of Chatham Businesses and Residents are Asked to Conserve Electricity.

The Village is asking customers served by the Village of Chatham electric utility– to voluntarily reduce electric usage today. Voluntary cooperation in this effort helps maintain the continuity of electric service throughout our town.

The object of this request is to reduce our electric load during the hours of 3:00 PM and 10:00 PM, the outage last night was caused by a high-volume load causing a piece of equipment to fail. Village of Chatham electric utility customers are urged to take such measures as:

- Increase air conditioning settings two degrees.
- In larger buildings, increase the chilled water supply setting by five degrees.
- Shade west-facing windows in the afternoon to reduce solar heat gain.
- Turn off and unplug electronics that are not in use.
- Use minimal lighting.
- Shut down non-essential pumps, motors, processes and/or facilities where possible.
- Postpone laundry, cooking with electrical equipment including microwaves, dishwashing, recharging of electric lawn maintenance equipment and electric vehicles.

The Village of Chatham electric utility thanks you in advance for your help today. We will do our best during this high heat event.