



Does your business use a fleet of vehicles? Are you thinking about someday moving that fleet to electric power? VEC offers incentives for electric vehicles and charging equipment of various types and we'd be happy to discuss how we could help with a future fleet transition. To start exploring options, please [email Key Account Manager Dave Lahar](#).

VEC, EVT offer help for indoor agricultural efforts

If you are constructing, expanding, or renovating an indoor growing or processing facility, a reminder - VEC and Efficiency Vermont are teaming up to help with advice and incentives for growing in controlled environments. [Learn more](#).

Electric truck demo, educational series on the way

The North American Council for Freight Efficiency (NACFE) and Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) will be running an [electric truck technology demonstration](#) starting in September. The three-week roadshow, known as Run on Less - Electric (RoL-E), will showcase 10 electric trucks in everyday operation across the United States and Canada. Vehicles from vans, to medium-duty box trucks to heavy-duty tractors will move freight in different duty cycles and geographic and climate areas. In addition, there will be an educational series focusing on the “why and how” of electric truck deployments. [Learn more](#).

SmartHub can help avoid usage surprises, high bills

For many businesses, winter can mean higher electricity use. The first step in managing your electricity expenses is closely monitoring your use, and you can do that (and lots more) using an online tool known as [SmartHub](#). Consider [signing up](#) if you haven't already.

Three seats are up on VEC Board of Directors

Do you or someone you know have interest in serving the VEC co-op community? Three seats are up for election now. You can read about the [roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors in the latest issue of Co-op Life](#) and if you would like to learn more or request application materials, please call Laura Kinney at 802-730-1172 or email her at kinney@vermontelectric.coop. Completed applications, including a petition (digital option available) signed by VEC members, are due by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 15.

Safety Note: Take care when cutting trees near wires

If you are cutting trees, first survey the area to be sure any tree you are attempting to cut is well clear of any power lines. Do not attempt to clear a tree that makes any sort of contact with a power line. If you fell a tree mistakenly on a power line, assume the tree, and the ground in a large circle around the tree, are all energized. Don't assume it's safe to get out of heavy equipment, like an excavator or log skidder, and stand on the ground because the area nearby could be energized. **In all of these cases, call VEC immediately at 800-832-2667 or 802-635-2331.** Thank you for putting safety first.

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