



In the face of changing weather patterns (underscored by several recent storms and outage events that affected our territory) reliability and resilience have never been more important for the co-op. We're keenly aware how much our member businesses and households count on dependable power and we're committed to doing everything we can to cost-effectively assure reliability. [Here are some of the steps we are taking.](#)

Generous funding offered for workplace EV charging

Through [Charge Vermont](#), workplaces can receive state grants to cover most - and in some cases all - of the cost of installation of Level 2 electric vehicle chargers. Funds are limited so if you are interested, act soon. Learn more and apply online [here](#).

A promising start to Jay Peak's new electric boiler

Jay Peak Resort has been running an innovative, hybrid space-and-water heating system for a few months now and initial indications are that the effort is saving significant energy costs and reducing carbon emissions. "The resort is very pleased with the first month of electric boiler operation," said Andy Stenger, Director of Facilities and Resort Services at Jay. [Read more.](#)

Add convenience with SmartHub, paperless billing

If your business has not already signed up for our online portal [SmartHub](#), why not take a moment and do so now? With its recently-improved user interface, SmartHub allows you to easily monitor your electric usage at the monthly, daily, and hourly level, get alerts, and more. You can also sign up for [paperless billing](#). Details and sign up information can be found [here](#) or you can call VEC Member Services at 1-800-832-2667.

More electrification, storms, and cyberthreats

If you missed VEC's last webinar, you can watch or listen [here](#). CEO Rebecca Towne and Innovation and Technology Leader Cyril Brunner [explain the challenges of a dynamic electrical system and how VEC is remaining nimble and planning ahead.](#)

Critical reminder: distracted driving imperils workers

Most people know that working with high voltage power lines and electric equipment is dangerous work. Add to that the threat of distracted driving in utility work zones, and dangers are even clearer. [In this video, hear first-hand from lineworkers in Minnesota](#) about a near miss when a dump truck filled with gravel ran through their work zone as they pulled wire across a road.

As always, please keep in touch with any feedback or questions. You can contact [Dave Lahar](#) who provides assistance to business members or [contact support@vermontelectric.coop](mailto:contact.support@vermontelectric.coop).

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