

# GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR HVAC SYSTEM DURING COOLING SEASON!

Saint Paul's large commercial customers paid an average of \$4,500 per month for electricity last summer.<sup>1</sup> Follow these easy tips to tune up your cooling system, and Race to Reduce your energy use—and your summertime bills.



## MAKE SURE YOUR HEAT ISN'T ON

Sounds obvious, but a lot of buildings don't fully shut off their heating system in the summer, leading to simultaneous heating and cooling.



## INSPECT AND CLEAN YOUR COOLING SYSTEM

Whether you have condenser coils or a cooling tower, you could probably benefit from a closer look. Check for debris and wash thoroughly.



## REPLACE YOUR FILTERS

Filters should be changed every 1-6 months. When filters are dirty, your system uses more fan energy to move air into the building.



## MAKE SURE VFDS ARE IN AUTO MODE

It's that simple. If your system has a variable frequency drive for more efficient operation, make sure it isn't stuck on one speed.



## REDUCE UNNECESSARY ENERGY DEMAND

Check a few simple things to pay for only what you need: setback thermostats and lower shades in unoccupied spaces, and turn off lights if they aren't needed.



## CHECK YOUR AIRFLOW RATES

If you have problem areas that are hard to heat and cool, call a test and balance company to test and calibrate your airflow rates into spaces.

## LOOKING FOR MORE BILL SAVINGS? SIGN UP FOR ONE OF THESE XCEL ENERGY SAVINGS PROGRAMS.

- Sign up for [Savers Switch](#)<sup>®</sup> and get a \$5 bill credit for every ton of cooling enrolled, June through September (size restrictions apply).
- Are you a large energy user? Enroll in [Electric Rate Savings](#) and receive additional incentives to reduce your demand at peak times.
- Consult with your Xcel Energy account manager or contact the energy efficiency specialists at 855.839.8862 or visit [xcelenergy.com/Business](https://www.xcelenergy.com/Business) to learn about money-saving rebates.

<sup>1</sup> Large commercial customers are defined as those who have demand billing.

