

# Reliant Home Electricity Review

This report for: 1234 Reliant Ave, Houston, TX 77068

For the billing period: 10/25/2011 to 11/23/2011

## Billing Details

| Current bill compared to your previous bill | Current<br>Nov-11 | Previous<br>Oct-11 | Change from<br>Oct-11 to Nov-11                                                              |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Electricity Plan Type</b>                | Fixed             | Fixed              |                                                                                              |
| <b>Avg. High Temperature</b> <sup>1</sup>   | 76°               | 86°                | -10°      |
| <b>Billing Days</b>                         | 29 days           | 29 days            | 0 days                                                                                       |
| <b>Avg. Daily Usage (kWh)</b>               | 44 kWh            | 75 kWh             | -31 kWh   |
| <b>Energy Charge</b>                        | 7.7 ¢             | 7.7 ¢              | 0¢                                                                                           |
| <b>Other Charges</b> <sup>2</sup>           | \$0.00            | \$0.00             | \$0.00                                                                                       |
| <b>One-Time Charges</b> <sup>3</sup>        | \$51.48           | \$80.59            | -\$29.11  |
| <b>Total Bill (Actual)</b> <sup>4</sup>     | \$149.50          | \$248.07           | -\$98.57  |
| <b>Total Bill (on Average Billing)</b>      | \$359.00          | \$371.00           | -\$12.00  |
| <b>Total Usage (kWh)</b>                    | 1,273 kWh         | 2,175 kWh          | -902 kWh  |

<sup>1</sup> **Temperature Source:** National Weather Service **Region:** Houston, Texas

<sup>2</sup> Other Charges include any Monthly Base Charge, Transmission and Distribution Service Provider surcharges, taxes, Lighting Charges and LITE Up discounts.

<sup>3</sup> One-Time Charges include non-recurring charges and/or one-time credits and adjustments from Reliant and/or your Transmission and Distribution Service Provider. Please see your actual bill invoice for more details.

<sup>4</sup> This Home Electricity Review reflects your Total Current Charges which can be found on the second page of your invoice.

Your total bill decreased by \$98.57 from your last bill. This month's decrease was most likely due to the 31 kWh decrease in your average daily usage. There was no change to the number of days in the billing cycle or your energy charge, leaving the change in your average daily usage as the only impact to your bill.

## 5 Quick Tips for the Fall

- As the weather gets cooler, make sure you change the rotation of your ceiling fan to clockwise.**  
This forces cooler air upward. If you use portable electric space heaters, remember that they are more efficient for warming small rooms for short periods of time
- An easy and inexpensive way to cut down on energy waste is to use weather-stripping and caulk to seal air leaks around your windows.**  
Both keep warm air from escaping and cold air from entering. If your windows still feel drafty, consider installing tight-fitting, insulating drapes or shades.
- A little extra cleaning can go a long way.**  
Did you know that your refrigerator uses the most electricity of all of your kitchen appliances? Build up of pet hair and dust on your refrigerator's condenser coils can cause the refrigerator's motor to work harder and use more electricity. Cleaning the refrigerator coils lets air circulate more freely and increases your refrigerator's efficiency. Also check the seals on your refrigerator door to make sure they are clean and tight.
- Try out a new way to light up the night.**  
Lighting consumes about 15% of a household's electricity use. Consider replacing your standard light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs as they use 25 - 30% less energy than an incandescent light bulbs, yet provide the same amount of illumination.
- As we get closer to the holidays, electricity use sometimes increases as we stay indoors more, and friends and family get together.**  
Cooking and refrigeration consume about 13% of your annual energy budget. As you plan your favorite holiday meals, consider foods which use a slow cooker. Slow cookers use less energy compared to a conventional electric oven.

## Recommendations

Reliant offers a number of solutions to meet your needs.

Visit our online Energy Savings Center, [reliant.com/energywise](http://reliant.com/energywise) for tips, projects, and articles that help you save energy.

Sign up for energywise<sup>SM</sup>, our monthly newsletter at [reliant.com/energywiseneews](http://reliant.com/energywiseneews).

Each month, we'll share information to help you manage your electricity usage and introduce you to new energy technologies.

Check out Average billing which helps you avoid surprises during high energy use times.

When you sign up, you'll pay the average of the current bill and 11 previous bills. In fact, for most customers the monthly difference, one month to the next, is no more than \$20.

We are here to help you find the solutions that best fit your lifestyle.

Please call us at 1-877-221-5771 or chat with a web agent at [reliant.com](http://reliant.com).