

# What to expect from your new smart meter



#### What is a smart meter?

A smart meter is an electric meter or natural gas module that communicates energy use and meter status to us.

#### **Smart meter facts**

- · Smart meters are safe.
- Smart meters meet industryleading standards.
- Smart meters are approved by New York state regulators.
- More than 100 million smart meters are safely operating across the U.S.

### Key benefits of smart meters



#### **Fewer estimates**

Smart meters automatically measure hourly energy use, which means monthly bills are based on actual energy use.



#### **Automated outage detection**

If you experience a power outage, your smart meter reports it automatically, allowing for faster diagnosis and quicker response.



#### **Automated meter readings**

You no longer need to provide a meter reading or access to the meter to ensure your bill is based on actual energy use each month.



#### Fewer on-site visits

Automatic meter readings mean fewer on-site visits.



#### **Easier moving experience**

In most cases, you can start or stop your electric service without scheduling a field visit.



#### Better understand energy use

Energy Manager provides personalized recommendations and hourly energy use, so you can better understand and control your energy use.

### How smart meters give you more control



#### **Energy Manager**

This free, online tool provides detailed, hourly energy use and customized recommendations.

### What you can expect during your upgrade

You will receive a postcard several weeks ahead and an automated phone call in the days prior to our visit. Our experienced contractor partner, Grid One Solutions, will arrive in a vehicle marked with our logo and will carry photo ID. Meter upgrades take just minutes. You can prepare by making sure there is access to and a clear working space around your meter.





## Find out when we're coming to your neighborhood.

Smart meter installation began in April 2023, and we expect to complete installations in 2025. Deployment schedules by service area may change. You'll receive information about your installation as we get closer to visiting your community.



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