

Tax exempt forms are due each year

If you wish to apply for tax-exempt status for your business, you must complete the state's Form ST-13, "Small Business Energy Exemption Certificate," and return it to Concord Light by January 1 each year. The form is online at concordma.gov/cmlp. Sales tax will be invoiced if your exempt form is not received each year by January 1. If you miss the deadline, you can still return the form. Unfortunately, once the tax is charged, state law does not allow us to issue a credit or refund.



Local business wins with efficient lighting

A project to install more energy-efficient lighting at the iconic building at 30 Monument Square is already paying off for Chip Orcutt, Property Manager for Monument Realty Trust.

A recent vacancy was filled in less than two months, and he is convinced that new lights made the difference.

"The new fixtures have a much more contemporary look," said Orcutt. "And the light they cast is whiter and brighter. I have no doubt that the new lighting made a huge difference."



Jan Aceti of Concord Light and Chip Orcutt of Monument Square Realty Trust review lighting project finances.

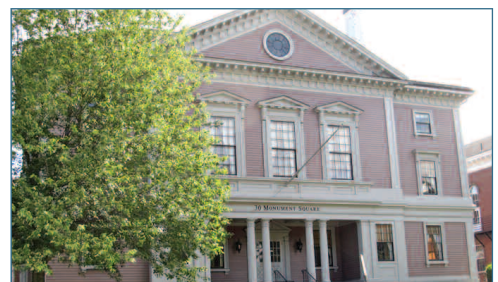


New lighting makes a difference.

Aesthetic improvement is only the beginning, Orcutt says. The ongoing project to install new lighting throughout the 73,000 sq. ft. building also makes economic sense. In addition to attracting tenants, the new lights' estimated electricity cost savings is \$26,000 per year.

\$20,000 rebate from Concord Light

In addition, the project qualifies for a \$20,000 rebate from Concord Light's High Efficiency Lighting Program. The rebate will cover 21% of the lighting upgrade's cost, and lowers the payback period to less than three years.



30 Monument Square

High efficiency lighting helps hold down costs for all customers because it reduces the high costs that Concord Light pays for electricity used during peak times when business lighting is typically on. It also lightens the environmental impact of businesses by using less energy to provide the same or better illumination.

For more details about the High Efficiency Lighting Program, visit concordma.gov/cmlp and click the link for "New! High Efficiency Lighting Rebates for Businesses."

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EV CHARGING STATIONS

A growing interest in electric vehicles has prompted Concord Light to make plans for an EV charging station in the West Concord Depot parking lot. The station, which will use a ChargePoint payment system, is expected to be operational by the end of the year.

Concord Light has already connected three 240-volt charging stations at local homes, with another station in the works. For customers who wish to charge their EV only during off-peak hours, Concord Light offers an off-peak rate that is about one-third the cost of our standard residential rate.

For details on EV charging options, call us at 978-318-3101 or visit concordma.gov/cm1p.

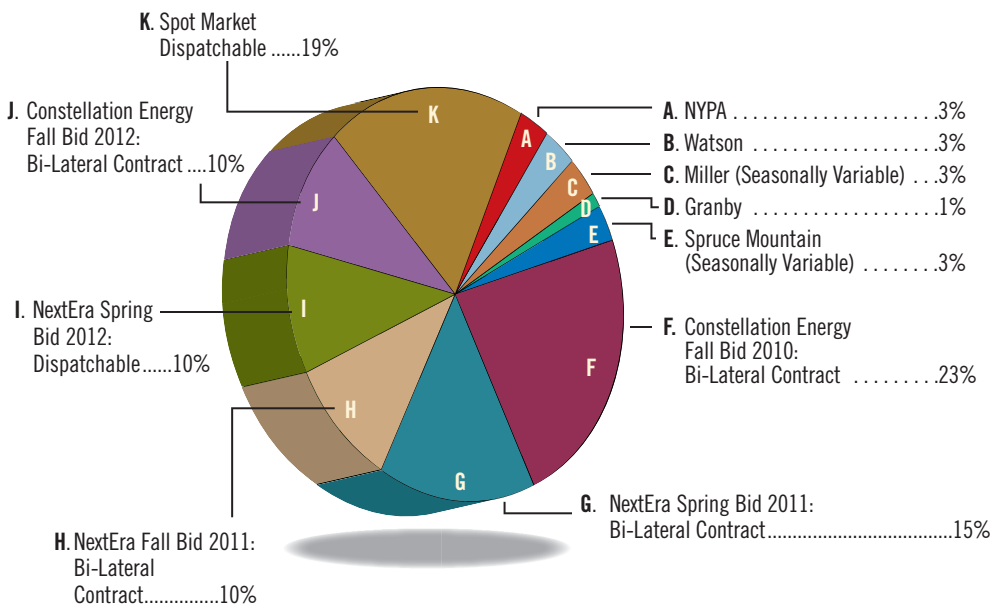
Update: Williams Road substation project

A two-year project is now underway to convert the Williams Road substation from a 4,000-volt system to 13,800 volts. The upgrade will improve reliability and efficiency at the town's oldest substation, which currently handles about 20% of the town's total electrical load.

The project will convert four separate 4,000-volt circuits, to be completed in four phases. The first phase, currently in process, includes Church Street from Junction Square Drive to Main Street, Main Street from Conant Street to Commonwealth Ave., Pine Street, Upland Road, and all area side streets.

Work involves overbuilding the old system with the new one. Once each phase is complete, all utilities will be asked to transfer their equipment to the new poles so that Concord Light may remove the old poles.

Portfolio of Concord Light's power supply



Breakdown by power source:

Natural gas	68%
Dispatchable (as needed to meet daily demand)	22%
Hydro	6%
Wind	3%
Landfill gas	1%

Each segment of the pie represents a separate contract with a separate entity for a specified energy time period. Contracts vary from day-to-day to 15-year agreements, some changing and others rolling over as one expires.



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