

“Green Power Bucks”

Dear Adam and Eve,

MLGW offers something called Green Power Blocks. What is this exactly? I understand if I buy one, it will reduce the cost of my utilities?

Signed, Green Power Bucks

Dear GPB,

Cute! Your initials are the same as Green Power Blocks-GPB! Now about saving bucks on your utilities??!! The answer is No and Yes. Green Power Blocks is an opportunity to invest in TVA to develop renewable resources such as solar, wind, methane gas to mix with our present energies.

Since sun and wind are free, theoretically we could have “free?” energy someday! I know you’re saying, Yeah, right! But they’re doing it already!! TVA says 54,000 of TVA’s homes already get part of their electricity each month from these renewables (www.greenpowerswitch.com).

The new technology to capture this energy is costly, as it is with many new technologies. To help pay for this, we are being asked (yes, even Adam and Eve) to voluntarily buy at least one GPB at a cost of \$4.00 for every 150 kilowatt hours (kWh) that we use in a month.

So if we use an average of 300 kWh of electricity per month, we are being asked to purchase 2 GPB’s at a cost of \$8.00 to pay our fair share of the investment. Of course, since it is voluntary, we may sign up for as many or as few as we like.

So, your answers: No! It will actually cost \$4.00 per GPB; and Yes! Ultimately, it will reduce the cost of utilities! (Oh! They also have similar programs for office and synagogue too!!)

And Remember!

RETHINK! REDUCE! REUSE! RECYCLE!

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