

Biggest (Carbon) Loser Competition, 2008

The Greenlands Climate Action Committee is sponsoring a friendly neighborhood competition to recognize neighbors who successfully lower their Xcel utility bills and carbon footprint over the year.

Prizes, Prizes, Prizes!

- Money saved in your utility bills
- Lowered carbon footprint
- Recognition at the January 2009 Greenlands Climate Action event
- Climate Smart T-shirts
- Compact Fluorescent light bulbs
- Two \$25 Downtown Boulder gift certificates
- Stay tuned...more prizes might become available!

The winners of the **Greenlands Biggest Carbon Loser** competition will be entered in the **city-wide Biggest Carbon Loser Super Bowl!** Details will be announced soon...

Rules for Participation

1. **Call Xcel Energy (800) 895-4999/ billing.** Enter your Xcel account number when requested. When the operator comes on line, ask for a summary of your 2007 monthly gas and electric bills. This report will be mailed to you within a week or so.
2. **Save this report and also your monthly bills for 2008.** (If you don't want to keep a monthly record, you can wait until the end of 2008 and request another annual summary from Xcel.)
3. Look at the report to **find the kilowatt hours and gas therms used for each month** in 2007 and fill out the form on the back of this page. (You may also download this form as an Excel spreadsheet at www.newlandsneighbors.com) For many of us, printing out the form and hanging it in a prominent location will be a good reminder and tracking piece for you and your family to discuss monthly energy usage.
4. If you are tracking manually, after you receive your final bill in 2008, total the number of kilowatt hours and therms saved in 2008. To enter the competition, **mail your tracking sheet by January 25, 2009 to:**
Positive Energy
PO Box 7568
Boulder, CO 80306

How to use the Tracking Form

1. Enter the total square footage of your home in the space provided on the form.
2. Enter the 2007 data. Each month in 2008 when you receive your Xcel bill, enter the kilowatt hours and gas therms for the month. Calculate the difference between the 2007 data and the 2008 data.
3. Implement as many energy saving suggestions as possible that work for your situation, check the www.newlandsneighbors.com and the City of Boulder Climate Action Program's web site www.beClimateSmart.com for resources.