

Roy named General Manager



Christopher Roy was recently appointed General Manager of Belmont Light by the Municipal Light Board. Chris joins Belmont Light from Concord Municipal Light Plant (CMLP), where he was Assistant Director for the past five years.

In addition to his position as Assistant Director, the new

General Manager served in several positions at CMLP including interim telecommunications coordinator, engineering and operations manager, and electrical engineer. Before joining CMLP he worked as a substation operations supervisor at NSTAR Electric and Gas (now Eversource) from 2005 to 2009.

General Manager Roy received his Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from Tufts University and Master's Degree in Power Systems Management from Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Appliance Rebate Program



The 2018 Belmont Light ENERGY STAR® Appliance Rebate Program for residential customers provides a credit, up to \$200 annually, on Belmont Light bills when customers purchase qualifying ENERGY STAR labeled appliances.

The 2018 ENERGY STAR® Appliance Program includes the following rebates and appliances:

- **\$100** Refrigerator 15.0 cu. ft or larger (with proof of Belmont DPW or vendor disposal)
- **\$100** Central air conditioner with a SEER rating greater than 14
- **\$100** Room air conditioner (with proof of Belmont DPW or vendor disposal)
- **\$100** Heat pump and hybrid heat pump dryers only (standard dryers, even those with ENERGY STAR labels, do not qualify for the program.)
- **\$75** Dehumidifier
- **\$25** Room air conditioner (with no proof of disposal)

Purchases must be made between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018 and all rebate requests must be postmarked no later than January 31, 2019

Applications and additional information, including all requirements, can be found on the website www.belmontlight.com or by calling Belmont Light at 617-993-2800.

Belmont Light announces revamped home energy assessment program

Energy New England (ENE), Belmont Light's energy assessment provider, has a new cloud-based energy assessment system which provides residential customers with a quicker assessment and easy-to-understand reports. Belmont Light Energy Resources Analyst Becca Keane worked with ENE and other municipal electric departments to create the program.

Snugg Pro The SnuggPro system saves its data in real time, allowing the auditor to create and customize the report, upload reports and consumption history, and take photos. The new system allows the auditor to spend more time with the homeowner since the typical assessment time is 20 minutes, according to ENE.

To schedule an audit, call ENE at 1-888-772-4242.

Belmont Drives Electric Continues in 2018

The Belmont Drives Electric information session and test drive at the Chenery Middle School in April and June brought together a number of electric vehicle owners and interested residents who had a chance to take a test drive and learn about the affordability of electric vehicles as well as the Federal and State incentives. Sponsored by Belmont Light, in partnership with Sustainable Belmont, Belmont Energy Committee and residents of Belmont, Belmont Drives Electric is a local initiative designed to highlight the benefits of driving electric vehicles and connect Belmont residents to rebates, incentives, and free test drives.

For more information, including upcoming events, visit www.BelmontDriveElectric.org, email BelmontDrivesElectric@gmail.com, or call 617-855-5405.



Belmont Light's business office will be closed on the following dates:

Independence Day - Wednesday, July 4th

Labor Day - Monday, September 3rd

Columbus Day - Monday, October 8th

If you have an emergency, please call Belmont Light at 617-993-2800.

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COMMUNITY News...

Belmont Town Day



Belmont Light (from left) Senior Customer Service Representative Debbie Bottiglio, Customer Service Representatives Tamar Melkonian and Alla Martirosyan were at the recent Town Day celebration to talk to local residents about Belmont Light and the programs and services offered.



The Belmont Light table at Belmont Town Day was popular among residents of all ages, including Clarice who showed off her creative Belmont Light bag.



Belmont resident Chandra and his son picked up a Belmont Light hard hat as well as information and give-aways during the recent Town Day festivities.

Energy Saving Tips



Don't pay for air conditioning when you're at work. Set your thermostat at a comfortable level using a programmable thermostat that can be programmed for different temperatures at different times of the day.

Energy-saving light bulbs are more efficient, last longer, and use less power which helps save month on your electric bill and reduce the amount of heat generated. Energy-saving light bulbs fit most standard fixtures, but if you have an old fixture that won't fit an energy-saving bulb, consider switching the light to a lower wattage. It's ok to use lower wattage bulbs, but using a higher wattage bulb than is required is a fire hazard.

Don't avoid using your dishwasher because you think it will save money. It's cheaper to run a full load of dishes in the dishwasher than to wash the same amount of dishes by hand. Always run the dishwasher with a full load and avoid rinsing prior to loading. If you can, run the dishwasher to wash only and then leave the door open to air dry or dry by hand. You should only run your dishwasher at night during the summer months.

The Belmont Farmers' Market is now open!



The Belmont Farmers' Market is open every Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., rain or shine, in Belmont Center in the rear municipal parking lot behind Leonard Street shops.

New vendors this year include Farmer Tim's Vegetables, Herd Nerd Spices, Koshari Mama, Myottera Farm, and Victory Aquaponics. And don't miss old favorites like Nicewicz Family Farm, Mamadou's Artisan Bakery,

Stillman Quality Meats, Red's Best and Boston Smoked Fish, and Goodies Homemade. Visit belmontfarmersmarket.org for each week's vendor lineup, performers, Storytime, what's happening at the community table, and more.

Look for Belmont Light at the Farmers' Market on the following Thursdays in 2018:

July 26, September 13 and October 11.

Update on Food Assistance

The Belmont Farmers' Market matches SNAP benefits (formerly food stamps) up to \$20 per shopper each week, along with WIC (for moms and infants), and FMNP coupons (for seniors). Most farmers accept HIP. For details visit the Manager's Tent or check out the website www.belmontfarmersmarket.org.