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Energy savings add up when you focus on office equipment efficiency.

One easy answer to energy efficiency is sitting right on your desk. Computers and electronics account for up to 25 percent of a company's total energy demand, especially for companies with administrative centers, training facilities or call centers. But nearly two-thirds of this energy is wasted because computers are often left running when no one is using them.

It sounds simple, but the savings can really add up. IBM estimates that if every employee turned off his or her computer for one hour each day, the company would save $1 million a year in energy costs.

Just turning off computers and copiers at night can make a big difference in reducing energy consumption. Encourage your employees to turn off their monitors at lunch and during meetings. They may even start turning off the lights as they leave the meeting room.

Why make energy-saving improvements?
- Reduce wear and tear on equipment.
- Enhance reliability.
- Increase performance.
- Boost employee comfort and satisfaction (e.g., LCD monitors can reduce eye strain).
- Reduce space cooling needs: high-efficiency equipment runs cooler, reducing the need for air conditioning, especially in server rooms.
- Limit environmental impact by using fewer natural resources and reducing your carbon footprint

Whether you are running a two-person office or a large company, PGE can help with energy-saving advice you can use today.
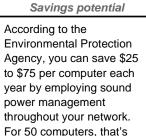
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Savings potential
According to the Environmental Protection Agency, you can save $25 to $75 per computer each year by employing sound power management throughout your network. For 50 computers, that's $1,250 to $3,750 a year. When investing in equipment, choose ENERGY STAR® electronics to save money over the life of the product: ▪ Nearly $70 per computer (CPU and monitor) ▪ More than $50 per printer ▪ More than $170 per copier In a 50-person office, you could save nearly $5,000.

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