

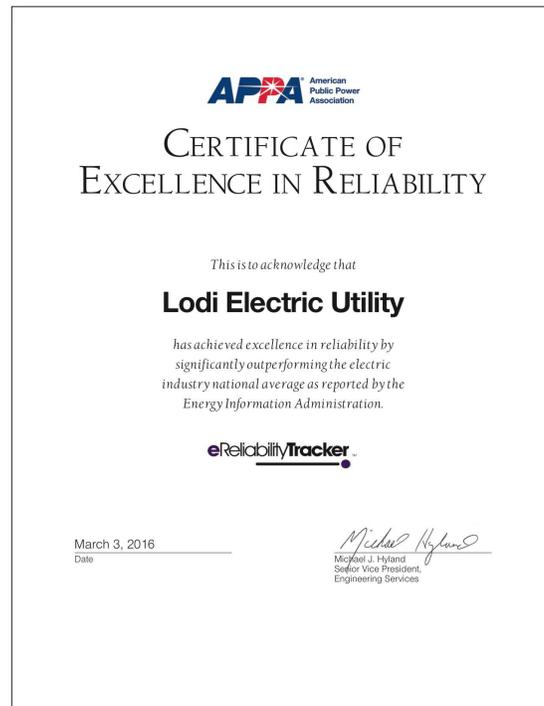
POWERLINE



APPA recognizes Lodi Electric Utility's dedication to reliability

"We work hard to keep the lights on day in and day out. It's nice to see that hard work pay off with this kind of recognition."

**– Adam Brucker,
City of Lodi Business
Development Manager**



Barbecue Pulled-Pork Tacos

- 2 pounds barbecue pulled pork, fully cooked
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- ¼ cup red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 12 ounces coleslaw mix
- 2 Granny Smith apples, washed and grated
- 8 6-inch corn tortillas
- Cilantro, chopped

Heat the pork and keep warm. Heat oven to 350 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Set aside. In a small bowl, whisk together the mayonnaise, vinegar and sugar. Set aside. In a medium bowl, toss together the coleslaw mix and apples. Stir in the mayonnaise mixture. Toss to coat. Place the tortillas on the baking sheet. Bake about 1 minute, until edges begin to get crispy, but tortillas are still pliable. To serve, divide the warm pork evenly among tortillas. Top with the apple-slaw mixture. Garnish with cilantro, if desired.

Serves 4

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Lodi's community-owned electric utility received national recognition in March from the American Public Power Association (APPA) for Excellence in Reliability. APPA is a trade group in Washington, D.C., that represents more than 2,000 not-for-profit, community-owned electric utilities. APPA took Lodi Electric Utility's reliability data compiled through its eReliability Tracker Service and compared it to the top quartile of system outage duration from national reliability data collected by the Energy Information Administration—an independent agency that collects, analyzes and disseminates national energy data.

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Protect Yourself from a Power Surge

Looking for some extra security and increased capacity at home? Surge protectors come in all shapes and sizes, and are your first line of defense against voltage spikes. The next time you are looking for greater outlet capacity, remember these tips:

Surge protector vs. power strip

Not every power strip is a surge protector. Power strips give your outlet greater capacity. Surge protectors offer greater capacity and protect your electronics from power surges.

Shop with your needs in mind

Make sure you are buying a power strip that fits your needs such as number of ports, electronics that will be plugged into the strip and if the particular product has a warranty.

Common habits to break

Once you get your power strip home, avoid these common, and potentially dangerous, misuses:

- Do not daisy chain, or plug a power strip into another power strip.

- Power strips aren't meant for outdoor use.
- Replace power strips at the first sign of malfunction to keep your electronics safe.

Smart power strips

Save electricity, and money, by investing in a smart power strip, which will help you eliminate phantom power drain by cutting power to electronics when not in use.

Smart power strip rebate

Want a smart power strip? Lodi Electric Utility offers several rebates and incentives. Contact us at Rebate@esgrouppllc.com for more details or visit www.LodiElectric.com.



Wash Away Energy Waste

The average American family washes 300 to 390 loads of laundry per year, according to Proctor & Gamble Co. That is six to seven loads per week. Get your laundry room running efficiently with these energy tips:

- **Make the switch.** Cut your energy consumption 90 percent by switching your water from hot to cold.
- **Full is more efficient.** Wait to start your washer until you have a full load of laundry.
- **Make it match.** Dry similar items together such as towels, jeans and blankets in one load and lighter fabrics in another.
- **Ditch the lint.** Clean the lint trap in your dryer after every load.
- **Reduce drying time.** Use a higher spin setting to help wring water out of your laundry.
- **Pull out the clothespins and line.** Air drying clothes in your yard is an easy way to save.
- **Be safe.** Inspect your dryer vent regularly to make sure it is not clogged with lint, which will make the dryer less efficient, and could catch on fire.
- **Buy a more efficient appliance.** Lodi Electric Utility offers rebates for front-load or Energy Star qualified clothes washers. Contact us at Rebate@esgrouppllc.com for more details or visit www.LodiElectric.com.



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