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*Wishing all FENN REA members,
and their families, a very*

*Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year.*

This year has given us many challenges, from the pandemic, to Mother Nature, to supply and demand issues. We hope this holiday season will bring you and yours the opportunity to come together and celebrate this joyous season and ring in a prosperous New Year!

*Warm wishes to all from,
Phil, Brent, Ace, Jack, Ward & Jolena*



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Lightbulbs are becoming smarter and smarter!

Most of us are familiar with connected lighting where a Smartphone or even a Smart Speaker can be utilized to increase or dim the lighting in a room, adjust the colour of the lighting or create a mood with the right illumination. Light bulb technology has improved and advanced dramatically over the last few years. If you're looking for a unique gift this holiday season or just wanting to tech advance your lighting, following are some of the new light bulb innovations to consider.

Light Bulb with Wi-Fi Relay

Having issues with Wi-Fi dead zones? This bulb not only brightens up a space, it also amplifies your Wi-Fi signal thanks to an integrated Wi-Fi relay. LED Bulbs with Integrated Wi-Fi Repeater are available at many Alberta hardware stores for around \$50.00.

Light Bulb with Light Sensor

This light bulb switches on automatically when daylight dwindles – a simple way to save energy and readily available for purchase from many local retailers.

Light Bulb with Motion Sensor

Here's a light bulb that switches on when it detects movement in the area and switches off when movement ceases. This is an ideal choice for locations where you might trip in the dark or for areas where you often forget to turn off the light and then waste electricity. The Feit Electric A19 Intellibulb is an ideal choice and available at most Canadian Tire stores for around \$18.00.

Light Bulb with Integrated Camera

This newcomer allows you to keep an eye on your inside and outside; essentially transforming a standard light fixture into a smart video surveillance system.

For ease of research, some brands to check out might be the Sengled Snap HD Security Camera Light Bulb (can be found at Home Depot) or another option is the Wireless 360° Panoramic Bulb Full HD 1080P Smart Home Security Light Camera (available at Best Buy). Please note there are several other options as well.

Light Bulb with Integrated Speaker

Set the tone with a light bulb that allows you to play your favourite music. So how does it work?

Simply install the chosen bulb (once again Sengled, available at Home Depot, has an option) like any other light bulb. Then wirelessly connect it from any Bluetooth-enabled phone, tablet or PC, and immediately enjoy your favourite media apps in your kitchen, living room and patio, or wherever there is a light socket.



Regulated Rate Option (RRO)

The RRO rate may increase or decrease from month to month as it is priced on the open market and subject to many factors relating to supply and demand. If you do not have a contract with an electricity retailer, then you receive the default RRO rate.

For November 2021, the RRO is priced at \$0.12823 per kWh, which is reflected on your enclosed bill. For December 2021, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate for FENN REA members is \$0.12500. The RRO rate is also listed on www.fennrea.com.

Members are free to purchase electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit ucahelps.alberta.ca or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta).

Information on FENN REA's Code of Conduct Compliance Plan can be found on our website: www.fennrea.com