

# ***News Brief:***

## **New Peak Electric Use Set During Heat Wave**



Middleborough Gas & Electric customers set a new record for electric use on Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> as the temperature soared once again into the 90's. The Electric Division recorded a level of **63 megawatts** of power at 4:00pm at the height of the afternoon heat.

This peak use beat the previous day's recording of 60 megawatts and shattered the last peak of 58 megawatts set in the summer of 2004.

The Department's electric substation was substantially upgraded in 2002 with a third transformer increasing its capacity to 80 megawatts ensuring the Department's ability to serve a growing area.

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