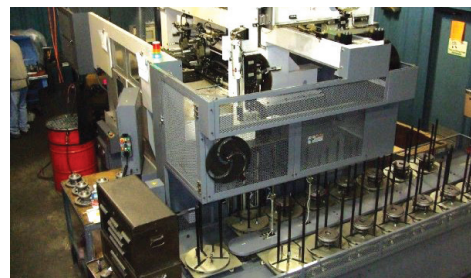


Utility Management Services, Inc. Reduces Utility Expenses for *Smoky Mountain Machining* Over \$17,000 in Annual Savings



Smokey Mountain Machining contracted UMS to audit their utility accounts.

Our Business Energy Professional Certified Analysts acquired two years of billing and usage data directly from the power provider. They performed an in-depth analysis using our proprietary software, RateMaster, to search for errors and overcharges.

UMS found a billing error resulting in a one-time refund. Smoky Mountain Machining was able to collect a refund that went back 3 years. UMS negotiated and executed a new Power Purchase Contract with Duke Energy Progress for a significantly lower rate that resulted in savings of approximately \$17,500 per year. UMS also identified multiple riders built into the Duke Energy Progress bills that most customers are unaware that they are paying. Smoky Mountain Machining

was then able to opt out of paying for these riders for all future bills.

No changes to operation or capital investments were necessary to benefit from any of the savings found by UMS, although we provide specific information regarding lowering energy bills as part of our ongoing services. UMS continues to monitor and analyze the utility accounts at Smoky Mountain Machining to ensure that they are not being overcharged and are paying the lowest possible costs for energy.

About Smoky Mountain Machining

Since the 1970's, Smoky Mountain Machining, Inc. has been a national machining resource for major industries across the United States. They have successfully met the strict requirements of aerospace, military and automotive manufacturers for over 30 years.

Because of their high production CNC machining, they have the engineering expertise and manufacturing capabilities to take parts from prototype to production. At Smoky Mountain Machining they are dedicated to excellence and guarantee you the highest quality customer service.

Smoky Mountain has a proven track record for precision, innovation and quality. The company, located in the beautiful mountains of Western North Carolina, attracts some of the most capable and knowledgeable engineers, quality personnel and machinists in the field. Many larger companies cannot match Smoky Mountain's depth of experience and diversity of skill. Their stringent quality control program ensures they deliver every job on time with zero defects. Smoky Mountain Machining - where customer satisfaction is their number one priority.

\$150 Million In Savings For Our Customers



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