

Answer on Question #45999– Physics – Electromagnetism

Question: electrical energy is sold by PHCN in units of kilowatt-hour (kWh). The lighting of a house is done with five 60 W bulbs, which are switched on for approximately three hours per day. What is the lighting bill for the household over a period of 30 days at the rate of $N = 1.20$ per kilowatt-hour?

Solution: power used by one bulb expressed in kilowatts is

$$P = 0.06\text{ kW}.$$

Therefore the total energy used by 5 bulbs that are switched on for 3 hours per day is

$$E = n_{bulbs} \cdot P \cdot t = 5 \cdot 0.06 \cdot 3 = 0.9\text{ kWh}.$$

Thus the lighting bill for the household over a period of 30 days expressed in dollars is

$$Money = Rate \cdot Days \cdot E = 1.2 \cdot 30 \cdot 0.9 = 32.4\text{ \$}.$$

Answer:

$$Money = 32.4\text{ \$}.$$