# How do I manage my utility bill data?



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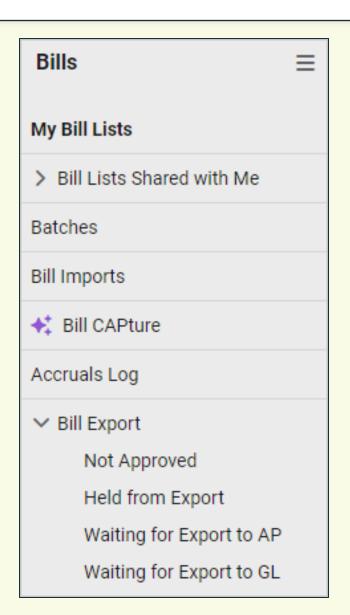
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#### Bills module

The bills module is where you manage your bills. You can find bills, take actions on them, import, and export bills.

The bills module has these sections:

- ✓ My Bill Lists
- ✓ Bill Lists Shared with Me
- ✓ Batches
- ✓ Bill Imports
- ✓ Bill CAPture
- ✓ Accruals Log
  - ✓ Licensed feature
- ✓ Bill Export
  - ✓ Licensed feature



#### **Batches**

Batches help you simplify workflow processes and reporting.

- ✓ Each batch belongs to only one user.
- ✓ Each user can only have **one open batch**.
- ✓ Each batch has a bill list.
- ✓ You can make a batch pending at any time, and more than 1 pending batch can be created.

# A batch can be closed at any time but <u>cannot be reopened</u>.

Note: Deleting a batch deletes all the of the bills in that batch.

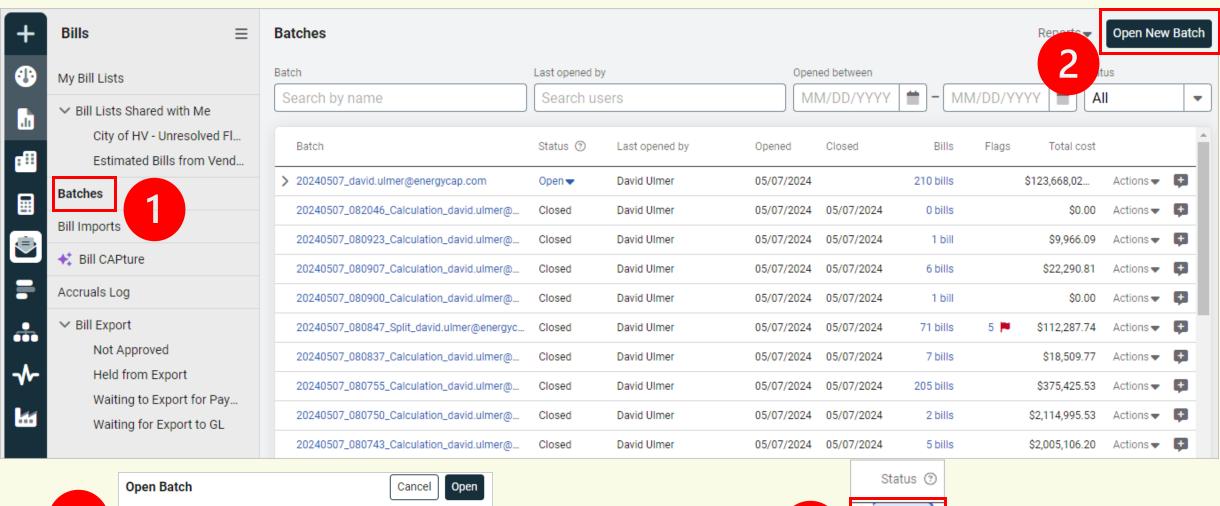


#### **Hands-on exercise #1: Batches**

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Click on Batches.
- 2. Click Open New Batch.
- 3. Add **your initials** to the batch name.
- 4. Change the status of your batch to **pending**.

#### **Hands-on exercise #1: Batches**



Batch Name - LR

Open▲
Pending

# **Participation quiz**

**True or False:** A batch belongs to only one user, with only one batch open at a time.

- True

True or False: A Closed batch can be re-opened.

- False. A Closed batch cannot be re-opened.

In which module can you find Batches?

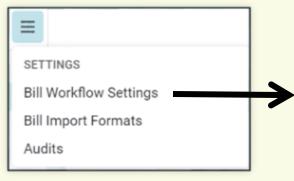
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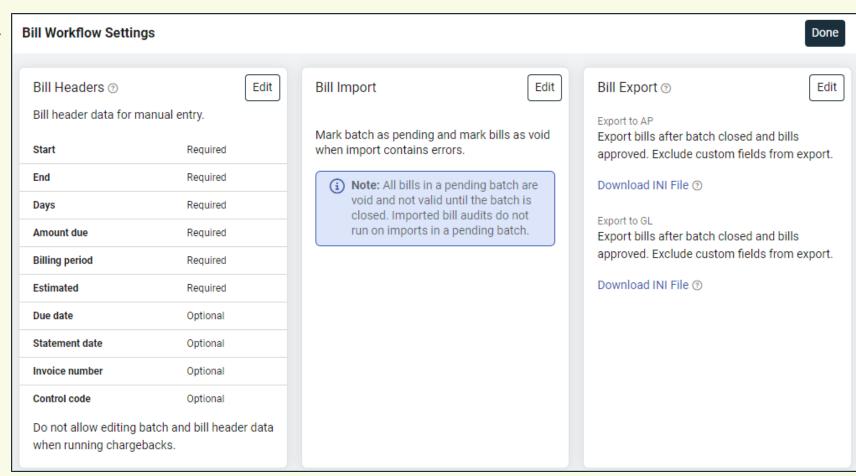
### Bills module menu

### **Bill workflow settings**

- ✓ Set the information required for bill headers.
- ✓ Decide how to import bills when there are errors.
- ✓ Rules for bill export.

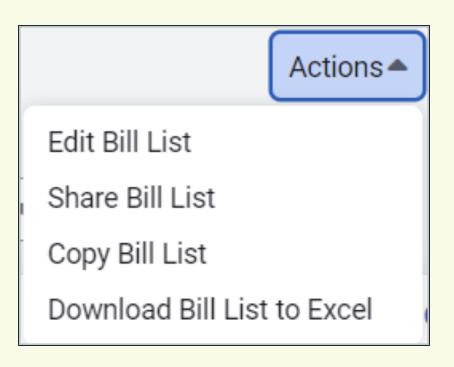
#### Bills module menu





#### **Bill lists**

Bill lists help you **find bills and take actions on them**. These actions include:



Bill lists can be organized and distributed using these features:

- ✓ Quick filters
- ✓ Regular filters
- ✓ Add columns
- ✓ Sort
- ✓ Shared bill lists

# **Participation Quiz**

True or False: Bill lists help you find bills and take actions on them.

- True

What four actions can be taken on a bill list?

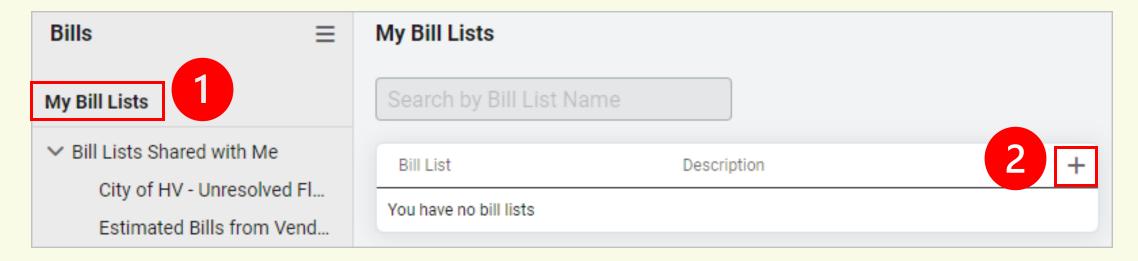
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- 2) Share
- 3) Copy
- 4) Download to Excel

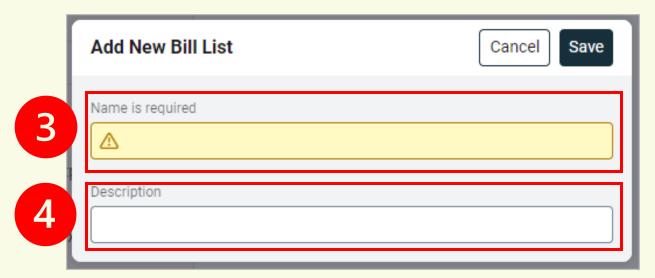
#### Hands-on exercise #2: Bill lists

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Click **My Bill Lists**.
- 2. Create a **new bill list** by clicking plus icor+
- 3. Enter a **name** for your bill list.
- 4. Enter a **description** for your bill list.

#### **Hands-on exercise #2: Bill lists**





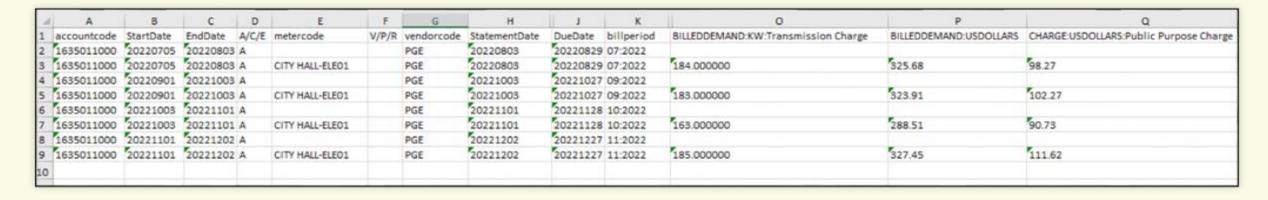
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Bill import lets you import multiple utility bills at one time.

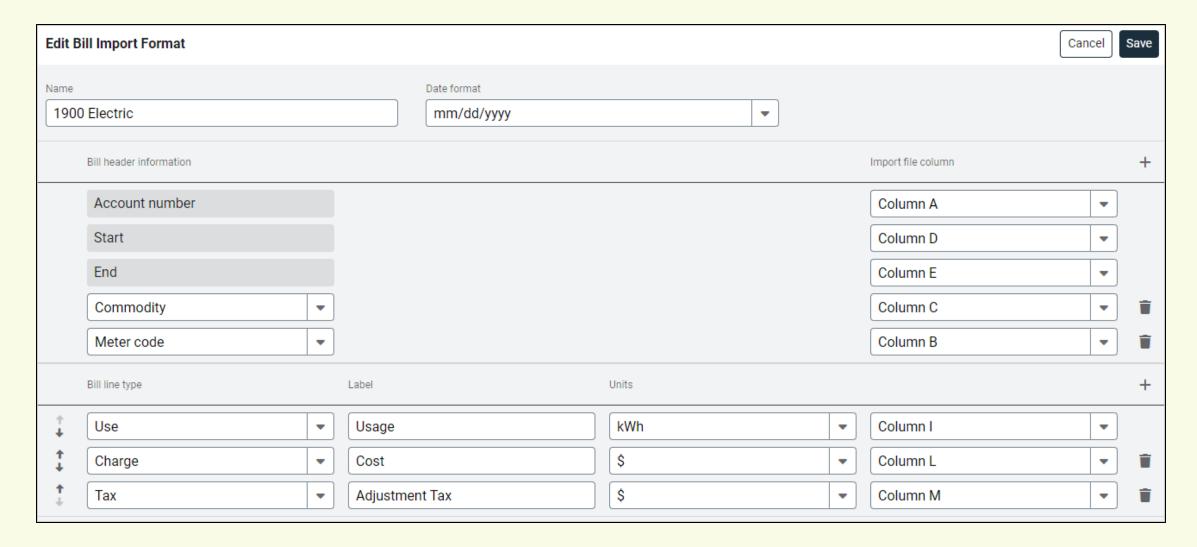
- ✓ Bill import formats
- ✓ Advanced file format
  - ✓ This is an advanced topic that we won't have time to cover.

    This format uses bill headers to tell EnergyCAP

    UtilityManagement how to import the data.



# **Bill import formats**

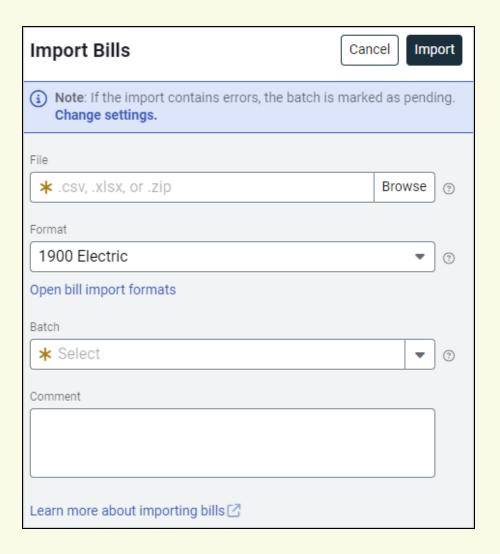


# **Bill import formats**

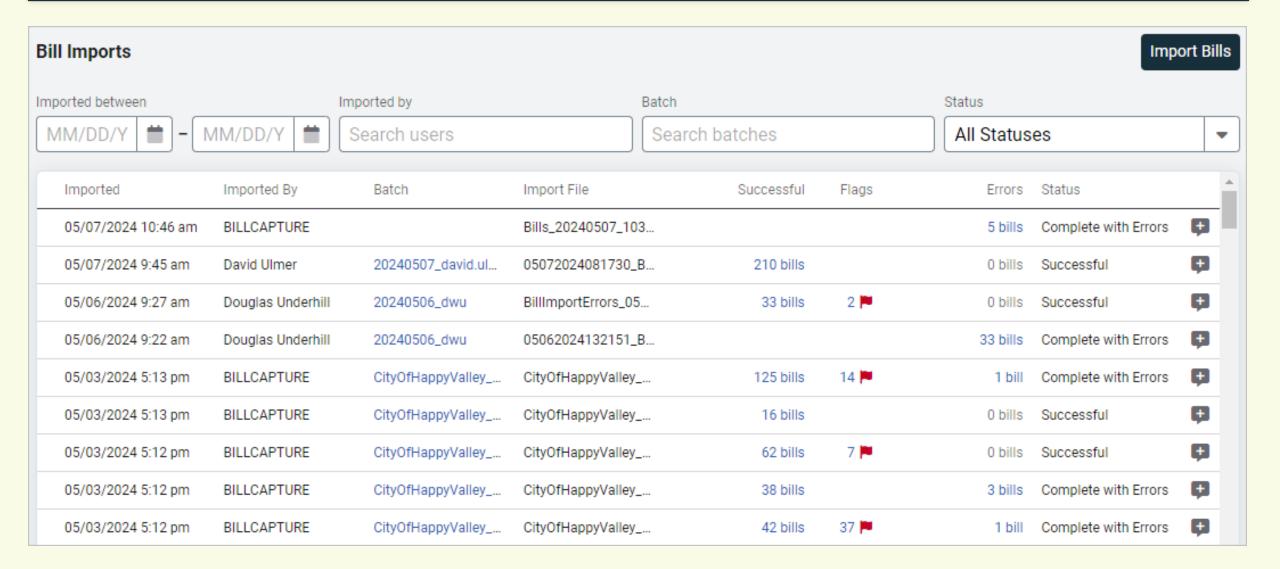
The bill import format helps you import a bill file that always has the same format each month.

Map your columns, and the same mapping (bill import format) is applied each time you upload your file.

- 1. Select your file.
- 2. Select the format.
- 3. A best practice is to have the import in its own batch.
- 4. Add a comment if needed.



# **Bill import log**

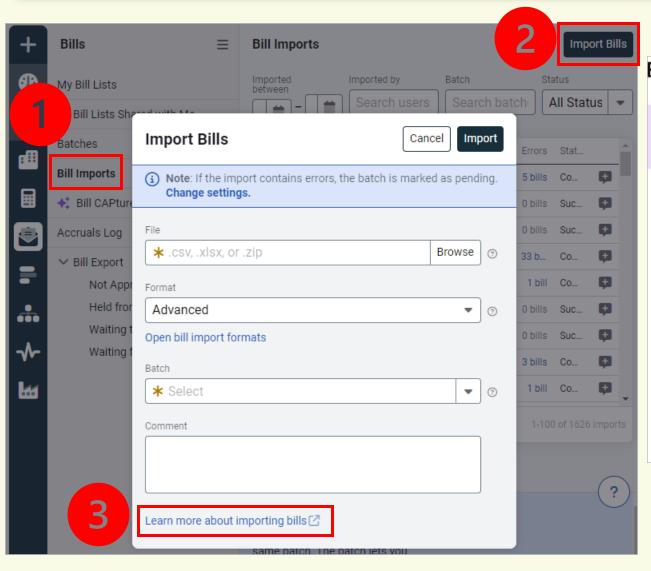


# **Hands-on exercise #3: Bill imports**

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Click **Bill Imports**.
- 2. Click **Import Bills**.
- 3. Click Learn more about importing bills.
- 4. View **Bill import overview** article in Help Center.

# Hands-on exercise #3: Bill imports



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#### **Bill import overview**

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Bill import lets you import multiple utility bills at one time. It's recommended to import your bills into their own batch. This lets you delete the batch and bills if you have an error.

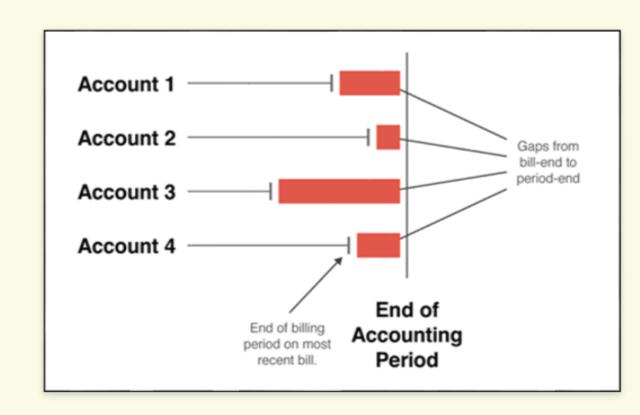
1 You can track, manage, and report on imported bills with a batch.

Importing bills varies from simple to complex depending on the granularity of information.

# **Accruals log**

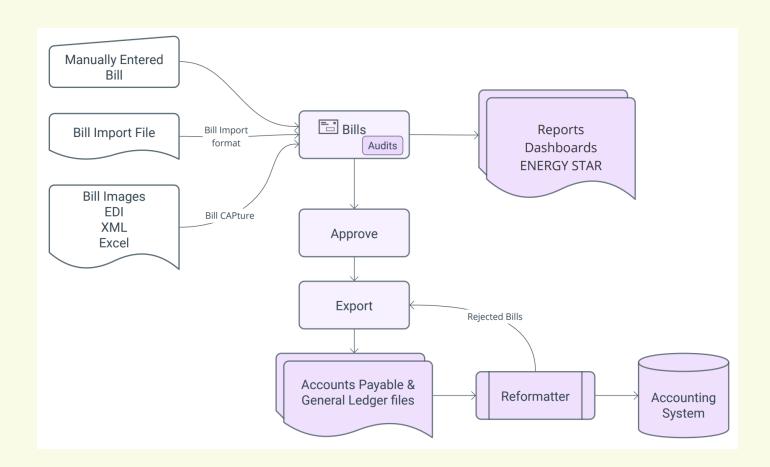
An accrual bill is a gap-filling estimate used to close out an accounting period before you receive the actual utility bills.

Accruals are a licensed feature; you might not see this option in your database.



# **Bill export**

- ✓ Bill export is a process to export bills and prepare them for import into an accounting system.
- ✓It's helpful because it can reduce the amount of paper shuffling between departments.
- ✓ Bill export is a licensed feature.



# **Participation quiz**

Name the two licensed features within the bills module.

- Accruals Log
  - Bill Export

# Wrap-up

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# Questions?

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