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HEADLINES

- Below normal temperatures dominate the eastern two thirds of the U.S. through Midweek. A warming trend toward normal occurs in the Plains by the weekend.

- The eastern U.S. will see temperatures moderate but still remain below normal by the weekend.

Cold arctic air will dominate from the Plains to the eastern seaboard early to midweek. Temperatures in the Plains will moderate by the weekend. In the east, any warming trend will still leave the region below normal by the weekend. The West Coast and the Southeast stay closer to normal, but they could still see some cooler trends as reinforcing cool to cold shots as new storm systems move into the Northeast this week.

There remains the potential for additional heavy snow today in the Mid-Atlantic and Tennessee Valley today, while some freezing rain remains possible in Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, and New Jersey. Expect some freezing rain in parts of TX (San Antonio, Austin) on Tue morning. Rain is likely for the Southeast again on Wednesday that pushes north toward the New Jersey coast as a wintry mix for Thu-Fri. The Pac NW, northern CA, and British Columbia remain wet this week. Southern California dries out.

GREAT LAKES / OHIO VALLEY — Highs: North: Near 10 Mon, upper teens Tue warming to upper 20s Thu to Sun. South: Mid teens Mon warming to low 20s Tue to Wed, upper 20s Thu, low to mid 30s weekend. Ohio Valley: Upper teens Mon, mid 20s Tue-Wed, mid 30s Thu, mid 40s Fri, low 40s weekend. Lows: North: Negative teens Mon, warming to single digits Tue-Wed, low teens Thu and the weekend, low 20s Fri. South: Negative single digits Mon, single digits Tue to Thu, mid teens Fri, low 20s weekend. Ohio Valley: Single digits Mon-Tue, low teens Wed-Thu, low 20s Fri, upper 20s weekend.

NORTHEAST U.S. AND MIDDLE ATLANTIC — Highs: North: Low to mid 20s Mon to Wed, low 30s Thu, low 40s Fri to Sun. South: Low 20s Mon, mid 20s Tue, mid 30s Wed-Thu, low to mid 40s Fri-Sun. Lows: North: Mid teens Mon, single digits Tue, mid teens Wed-Thu, low-mid 20s Fri-Sun. South: Upper teens Mon, single digits Tue, mid teens Wed-Thu, mid 20s Fri to Sun.

Next Week

Much of the country will see a warming trend this period. Storm systems travelling across the southern half of the U.S. will bring shots of cooler air into the Deep South as well as the Middle Atlantic and Northeast. California will trend slightly cooler this week. Expect a stormy pattern for the Deep South, Southeast, and the East coast. Despite the overall warming trend there will still be a chance of a wintry mix for portions of the Midwest, Middle Atlantic, and Northeast.

Electricity Pricing – March 4, 2014 Com Ed Historical Average LMP Electric Price

Time Period	Average per Kwh
Feb, 2013	\$.03219
Mar, 2013	\$.03665
Apr. 2013	\$.03821
May, 2013	\$.03501
Jun, 2013	\$.03215
Jul, 2013	\$.04067
Aug, 2013	\$.03112
Sep, 2013	\$.03274
Oct, 2013	\$.03183
Nov, 2013	\$.03087
Dec, 2013	\$.03432
Jan, 2014	\$.07837
Feb 1 – Feb 28	\$.06204

Extended Temperature Forecast:

Chicago Area

	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
High	29	30	34	40	32
Low	20	15	28	27	19

