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**Tenrehte Technologies Picowatt Wi-Fi smart plugs**

**Then:** "Tenrehte Technologies has a grassroots vision for the smart grid. Instead of relying on a utility-installed smart meter to help consumers ratchet down their electricity bills, the Rochester, N.Y.-based start-up is building Wi-Fi-enabled smart plugs. A few strategically placed smart plugs, called a Picowatt, will provide many of the benefits promised to consumers by the smart grid, including a real-time read-out of electricity usage and the ability to control appliances from a central point." [Read the rest of our CES 2010 coverage.](http://reviews.cnet.com/2300-32254_7-10005892-8.html?s=0&o=10005...)

**Now:** Consumers still can't get their hands on these smart plugs, although they've apparently been available to business customers.

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