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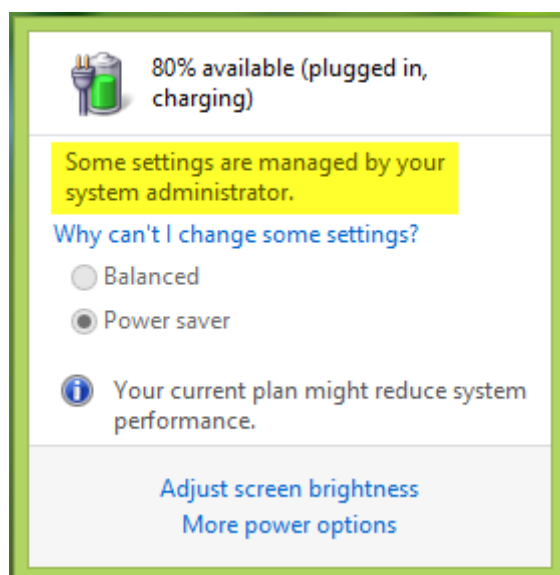
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Specify a custom active power plan and force Windows to use it

We all use a different kind of power plans on our system according to our requirement. When we're going to watch movies or play games on our system, we choose the High Performance power plan, and when we to save battery for long use, we use Power Saver.

If you consider a multi-user system, there may exist the scenario when you select a power plan which you find useful, and in your absence, someone else who used the system changed the power plan which you find destructive. In such a case, placing a restriction to modify the power plans by others on your system became necessary.

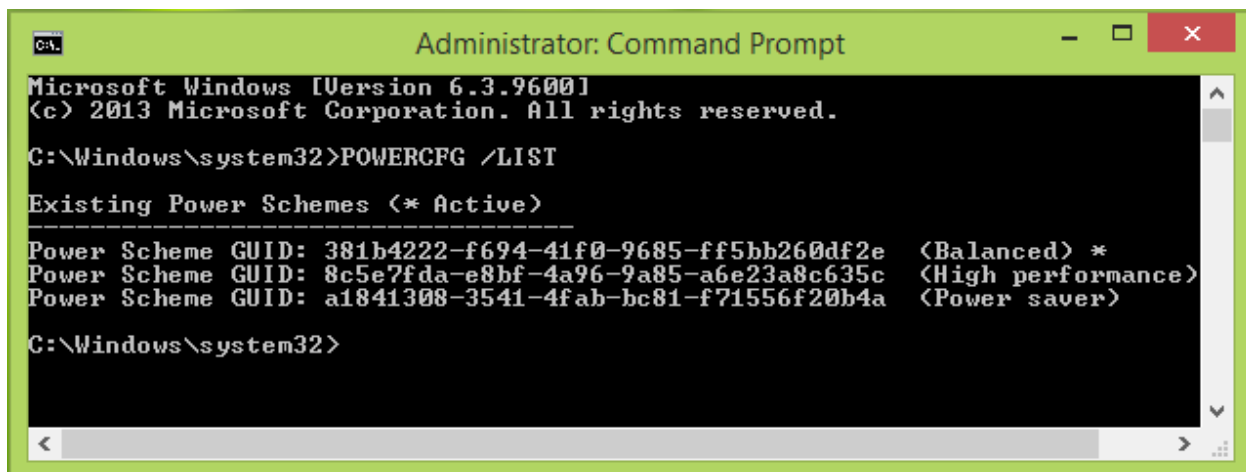
Force Windows to use Specific Power Plan




6/11/2019 In this article, we'll show you the way to Specify Windows 10/8/7 and force a specific power scheme so that users can't modify the active power plan from normal settings. Basically, this restriction can be applied using the *Local Group Policy Editor*. Here is how to restrict the user from changing the active power plan:

Specify a custom active power plan

1. Open *administrative Command Prompt*. Type **POWERCFG /LIST** and hit *Enter* to get a list of available power schemes; here * implies active plan. Please note down the *GUID* for the plan you'd like to set as a specific plan.

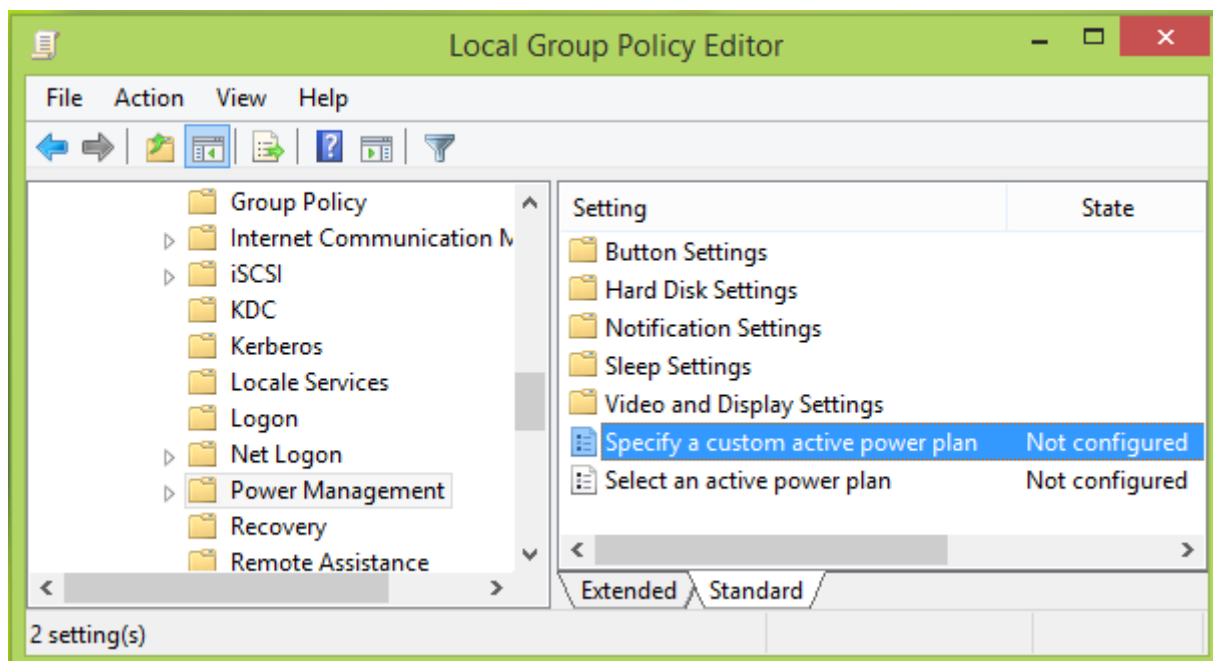


2. Press **Windows Key + R** combination, type put **gpedit.msc** in **Run** dialog box and hit *Enter* to open the **Local Group Policy Editor**.

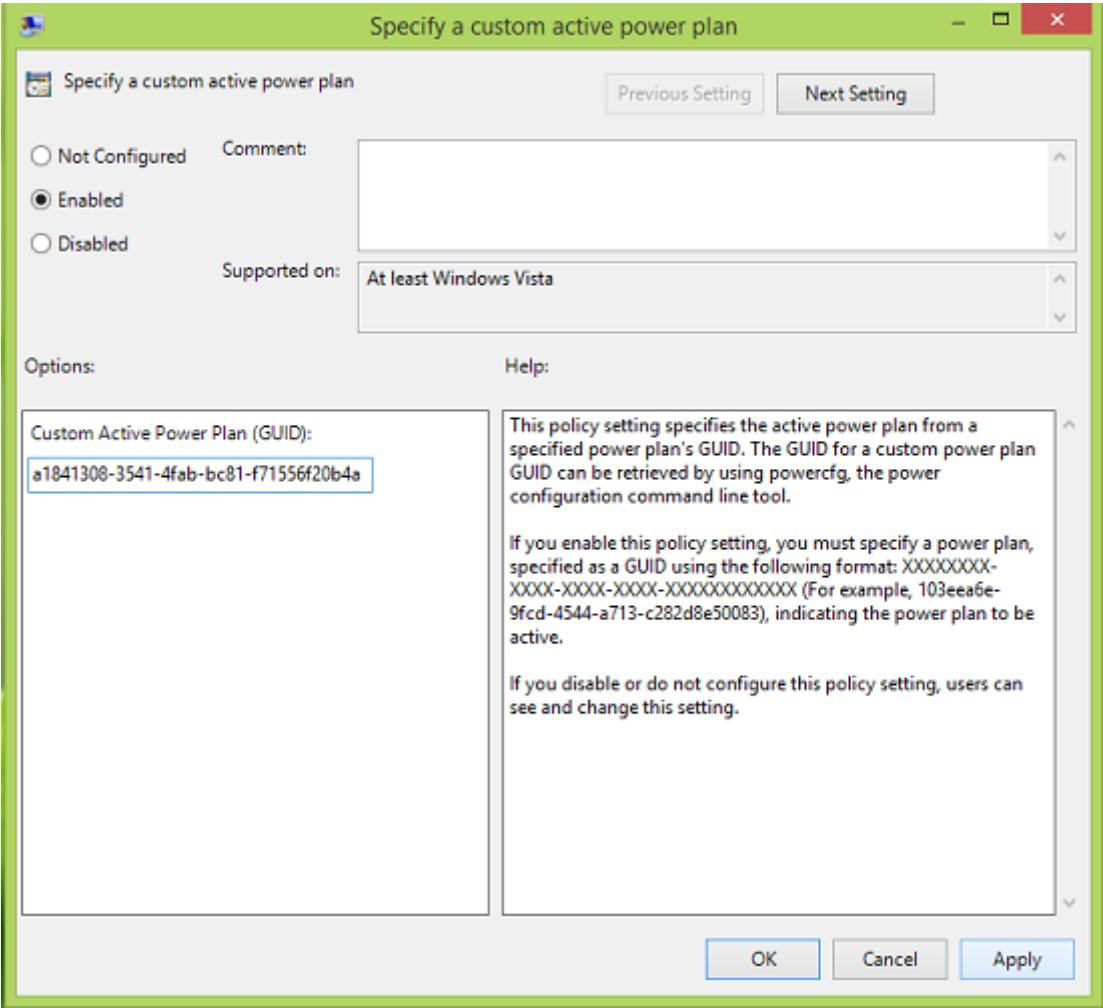
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3. In the left pane, navigate here:

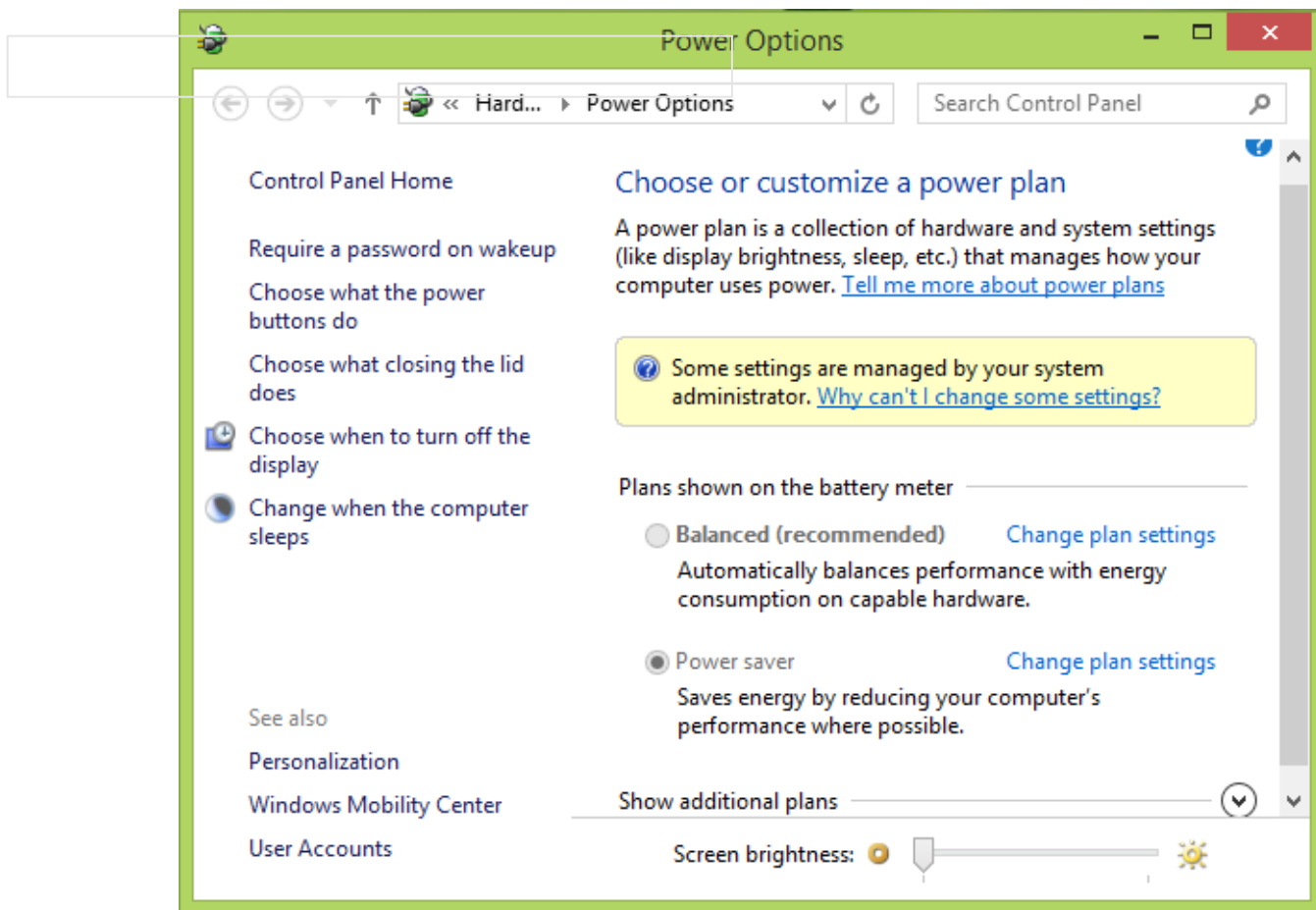
Computer Configuration -> Administrative Templates -> System -> Power Management



6/11/2019 In the right pane of the window shown above, double click **Specify a custom active power plan** setting which is *Not Configured* by default to get this:



5. In the above-shown window, firstly click **Enabled** and then in the *Options* section, input the *Custom Active Power Plan (GUID)* as we copied from *step 1*. Click **Apply**, followed by **OK**. You may close the *Local Group Policy Editor* now. Now if you try to set power schemes manually by clicking the battery icon in the taskbar notification area, you won't be able to do so:



Hope you find the tip useful.

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