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Helping New Jersey Residents put Money Back in their Pockets this Holiday Season

*New Jersey's Clean Energy Program*TM has added a new rebate for select ENERGY STAR[®] Clothes Dryers

TRENTON, N.J. – The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) and its Clean Energy Program (NJCEP) launched a new rebate for energy-efficient clothes dryers. Starting November 1, 2014, the program is providing \$100 for the purchase of select qualified ENERGY STAR clothes dryers. ENERGY STAR certified clothes dryers use on average 20% less energy than conventional models helping reduce utility bills.

When purchasing a new clothes dryer, you should consider the following:

- Use sensor drying instead of timed drying. ENERGY STAR dryer models incorporate advanced moisture sensors to help you reduce your dryer's energy use. This feature ensures that your dryer will automatically shut off when clothes are dry.
- Use a low heat setting. Longer drying cycles on a low heat setting use less energy. When you purchase an ENERGY STAR certified clothes dryer, look in the informational materials shipped with the product for which cycle was tested for certification and how the dryer's other cycles or settings may use more or less energy.
- Purchase a new clothes washer. An ENERGY STAR certified washer/dryer pair will save even more energy and money while doing your laundry. In addition to the \$100 clothes dryer rebate, *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program* is offering a \$50 rebate on the purchase of ENERGY STAR qualified clothes washers that have a modified energy factor (MEF) of 2.2 or higher. These washers use on average 43% less energy and 75% less water than conventional models. Ask a sales associate for more information.

The Clean Energy Program offers rebates for other appliances or household items.

- NJCEP offers a \$50 rebate qualified ENERGY STAR Clothes Washers. These washers use on average 43% less energy and 75% less water than conventional models and costs on average \$60 a year to run.
- A \$50 rebate is available for the purchase of select ENERGY STAR certified refrigerators. More than 60 million refrigerators are over 10 years old, costing consumers \$4.4 billion a year in energy costs.
- Schedule to have an old, working refrigerator or freezer picked up free of charge and receive another \$50.

- Multiple rebates are available for lighting. LEDs use about 75-80% less energy to produce an equivalent amount of light.

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program provides financial and other incentives to the state's residential customers, businesses and local governments that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies. These programs are administered by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

For more information about the BPU or its Clean Energy Programs, visit NJCleanEnergy.com or call 866-NJSMART.

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About the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU)

The NJBPU is a state agency and regulatory authority mandated to ensure safe, adequate and proper utility services at reasonable rates for New Jersey customers. Critical services regulated by the NJBPU include natural gas, electricity, water, wastewater, telecommunications and cable television. The Board has general oversight responsibility for monitoring utility service, responding to consumer complaints, and investigating utility accidents. To find out more about the NJBPU, visit our web site at www.nj.gov/bpu.

About the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP)

NJCEP, established on January 22, 2003, in accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act (EDECA), provides financial and other incentives to the State's residential customers, businesses and schools that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies, thereby reducing energy usage, lowering customers' energy bills and reducing environmental impacts. The program is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU), and its website is www.NJCleanEnergy.com.