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Join the thousands of New Jersey homeowners, businesses and municipalities that have taken advantage of incentives offered by **New Jersey's Clean Energy Program**™. These programs provide opportunities for you to save energy, money and help protect our climate and shoreline.

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ENERGY AWARENESS MONTH

October brings Autumn to our door with football games, changing leaves and chilly nights. As the temperature starts to drop, it's the perfect time to think about becoming more energy efficient.

Since 1991 we have celebrated October as Energy Awareness Month. How can you conserve energy in fall and winter?

- GET AN ENERGY AUDIT. You can take control of your energy spending as the weather turns cold by finding out where you are wasting energy. Let an expert help! <u>Learn</u>
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- MAINTAIN YOUR HEATING SYSTEM. During the fall, electricity and gas bills increase with
 the continuous use of heating systems. Instead of turning up the thermostat, minimize your
 consumption by ensuring your system is properly maintained, including clean filters.
- FIND AND SEAL LEAKS. Be sure to check for air leaks or gaps around walls, ceilings, windows, doors, switches and outlets. You can reduce your heating bill up to 20 percent by preventing and sealing leaks.
- **DECREASE THE WATER TEMPERATURE**. Heating water accounts for about 18 percent of the energy consumed in your home. Turn down the temperature of your water heater to warm, or 120 degrees, to decrease excess energy usage.

Happy Energy Awareness Month!

FREE ASSISTANCE TO REDUCE ENERGY USE

The <u>Comfort Partners Program</u> assists income-eligible homeowners and renters by installing energy efficient measures at no cost to help lower monthly energy bills. Benefits are determined on a homespecific basis and may include:

- · Installation of efficient lighting
- Programmable thermostat and smoke/CO detectors
- Hot water conservation measures (water heater insulation, pipe insulation and energy-saving showerheads/aerators)
- Insulation upgrades including duct sealing and repair
- · Heating and cooling equipment maintenance
- Replacement of inefficient refrigerators and more!

On October 23, 2018 Acting Governor Sheila Oliver and BPU President Joseph L. Fiordaliso signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the BPU and DCA to combine the BPU Comfort Partners Program with the DCA Weatherization Program. This collaboration will assist low and moderate income residents to lower energy costs, fix health and safety issues, and ultimately improve the lives of New Jersey residents. If you are interested in learning more about this initiative, please complete the form on this page and a representative will contact you.

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APPLIANCE REYCLING NEWS



New Jersey Board of Public Utilities' Commissioners (left to right) Upendra Chivukula, Dianne Solomon and Mary-Anna Holden visited the Recleim Refrigerator/Freezer Recycling facility this month to learn about the latest in clean technologies and business



practices. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, increasing our recycling rate from 28% to 35% would reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 9.8 MMTCE.

Roughly 8,000 fridges and freezers are recycled annually through *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program*. The program offers free pick up and removal, along with a \$50 rebate per refrigerator or freezer, and an additional \$25 for each room air conditioner or dehumidifier recycled during the same appointment. For more information about the appliance recycling program, visit our website.



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We're Here to Help
About New Jersey's Clean Energy Program (NJCEP):

NJCEP provides financial and other incentives to encourage customers of the State's electric and natural gas utilities to install energy efficiency (EE) or renewable energy (RE) technologies. Installation of EE and RE measures helps residential customers as well as businesses, local governments and schools reduce their electric and natural gas usage resulting in lower energy costs and reduced environmental impacts. Since 2001, New Jersey has invested more than \$3.3 billion in incentives provided to over 1.6 million customers that installed energy efficiency measures and over 90,000 customers that installed solar systems. Measures installed in the last year will save about 483,000 MWh per year reducing carbon dioxide emissions by over 290,000 metric tons a year. The program is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

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