

New Jersey Clean Energy Programs 2001 Program Plan

RESIDENTIAL RETROFIT PROGRAM

Overview

Through the Residential Retrofit Program, PSE&G, GPU, Conectiv, New Jersey Natural Gas, Elizabethtown Gas and South Jersey Gas will provide to interested customers information on energy use and energy efficiency. This will be accomplished in two ways. First the utilities will provide sophisticated software tools to help customers assess both the efficiency of their energy use and opportunities for improving efficiency. These tools will be available through the Internet and via mail (in response to phone or mail inquiries). Accommodations will be made for those customers who are not able to use computer-based tools. Second, the utilities will operate call centers that attempt to answer consumer questions on energy efficiency issues and refer them to other relevant efficiency Programs.

Target Market/Eligibility

The residential retrofit Program applies to all individually metered customers in rental or owner occupied housing.

Efficiency Measures/Standards

The Program offers customers software they can use to assess both their energy use – essentially conducting a self-audit – and opportunities for improving efficiency. It also provides a phone number that consumers can call to obtain information on energy efficiency.

Incentives

Program services will be provided free of charge.

Joint/Coordinated Delivery

The utilities will meet to coordinate and implement a joint evaluation plan for the retrofit Program. The utilities (statewide or in smaller groups) may also work together to facilitate customer easy (simultaneous, if possible) access to both electric and gas billing data for use in analysis of their energy use.

2001 Timeline/Milestones

The utilities will individually and jointly meet the following milestones for implementation:

- Begin Program Request for Proposal Process for implementation vendor by May 9th, 2001.
- Program announced and operational by July 30th, 2001.
- Hire independent vendor to begin statewide evaluation by October 1, 2001.

Performance Indicators

In the first year, the ability to meet the milestones identified above will be the primary measure of each utility's performance. In subsequent years, Program performance will be assessed according to each utility's ability to meet annual participation goals. In any case, the utilities will not collect performance incentives for this Program.

2001 Program Goals

The statewide goal is to generate 5,000 audits between July 30 and December 31, 2001, and at least 12,000 audits annually thereafter. Information requests that do not generate an audit will be tracked by the Program, but do not count towards the goals of audits generated. Participation goals by utility are presented below.

Electric				Gas			
PSE&G	GPUE	Conectiv	RECO	PSE&G	NJNG	SJG	NUI-Etown
1,728	882	433	60	1,135	355	231	176

Minimum Requirements for Program Administration

The utilities must individually and jointly implement the activities listed under the timelines and milestones above no later than thirty days of the target date, and must implement no fewer than two of the three listed items by the target date. The individual utilities must achieve at least 60% of the annual Program participation goals articulated above.