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Christie Administration Announces Winners of Clean Energy Program's "Recycle & Win" Spring Promotion

Program Encourages New Jersey Residents to Recycle Old Appliances

TRENTON, N.J. –Four lucky New Jersey residents won \$500 by recycling old refrigerators or freezers during the Christie Administration's Energy Program's "Recycle & Win" spring promotion.

While the appliance recycling program runs year-round, during the spring cleaning months of April and May residents had extra incentive to recycle older energy guzzling units. Residents who participated in the recycling program through New Jersey's Clean Energy Program (NJCEP) not only enjoyed complimentary home pickup of energy-wasting refrigerators or freezers and earned guaranteed \$50 incentive checks, but were also entered in a drawing to win one of four \$500 rewards. The four winners can apply their winnings toward the purchase of ENERGY STAR[®] efficient appliances at local retailers throughout New Jersey.

Despite the end of the spring promotion, New Jersey residents can still earn \$50 by recycling an outdated refrigerator or freezer by calling NJCEP at 877-270-3520 or visiting NJCleanEnergy.com/REFRIGERATOR. The program is limited to two units per household. Appliances to be recycled must be in working order and between 10 and 30 cubic feet — standard size for most refrigerators and freezers.

The winners of the "Recycle & Win" promotion are:

- Robert Drakeford, of New Brunswick,
- Raymond Davison, of Lakewood,
- Leonard Fooshkill, of Alpha,
- Michael Vitale, of Marlboro.

"I'd like to congratulate the winners of our spring promotion and thank all program participants for their contribution to reducing energy consumption and helping to cleaning our environment," said New Jersey Board of Public Utilities President Bob Hanna. "Properly disposing of an energy guzzling refrigerator or freezer not only reduces the toxins that typically end up in landfills, it sufficiently lowers energy bills for New Jersey residents."

Recycling refrigerators and freezers creates many benefits for utility customers and the environment. Program participants can save as much as \$150 a year through lower electricity costs by not operating an older refrigerator or freezer. Units picked up through the program are transported to an East Brunswick de-manufacturing facility operated by JACO Environmental. JACO employs a system that safely removes hazardous materials from the old energy-guzzlers, while reclaiming 95 percent of each appliance for re-use in manufacturing new products. Even the foam insulation is safely incinerated to generate electricity.

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. It is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

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

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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.

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