Consumers Energy Offers Cash Rebates for Energy Efficiency Upgrades for Multifamily Properties

JACKSON, Mich., Aug. 29, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Consumers Energy offers multifamily property owners free installation of energy and water efficient products in individual living units, and free assessment of the lighting, heating, cooling and water heating systems in common areas.

Under the Consumers Energy Saving Solutions program for multifamily properties, specially trained energy advisors will also perform free energy assessments of lighting; heating, cooling and water heating systems in common areas. Field technicians will install compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), energy-efficient showerheads, and kitchen and bathroom faucet aerators in each living unit at no charge. The energy advisors then recommend the most beneficial and cost-effective energy improvements, including those for which property owners can receive cash back from Consumers Energy.

Rebates for energy efficiency upgrades include, $1.50 per light bulb replaced, $18 per furnace tune-up, $30 per exit sign replaced, $75 per water heater replaced, and more.

The program is open to properties of five or more units per building served by Consumers Energy and helps owners add value to properties and reduce water, electric and sewer costs.

"We're inviting multifamily property owners to make important -- and valuable -- energy upgrades," saysSandy Wymer, Energy Efficiency Programs Manager for Consumers Energy. "Energy cost savings are just one benefit of improving the energy efficiency of multifamily properties. Rebates help defray the cost of upgrades for multifamily property owners, and also offer the potential to increase property values, reduce tenants' costs, and improve the environment."

With hot summer days in full swing, multifamily property owners can make energy improvements this season and continue to benefit from reduced energy use year-round. For information on how to participate, call (866) 234-0445 or visit www.consumersenergytradeally.com.

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