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Dear Home Energy Solutions Trade Ally:

We would like to share several Home Energy Solutions program updates and upcoming offers regarding single family and Multifamily programs.

Insulation requirement updates

Timeline for compliance with new duct insulation and kneewall requirements

Mailed to you in February, the updated 2008 Weatherization Specification Manual includes new requirements for insulating kneewalls and ducts. The new Weatherization Manual went into effect March 1, 2008, but Energy Trust is granting a grace period until September 23, 2008, for compliance with these new insulation requirements:

Kneewalls: As of September 23, 2008, existing kneewall insulation between R-0 and R-4 must be brought to a minimum of R-15 in a 2x4 cavity and R-21 in a 2x6 cavity, and shall be covered with a durable, vapor-permeable air barrier on the attic side. Refer to page 14 of the Weatherization Specification Manual for additional information.

Duct Sealing: As of September 23, 2008, before insulating ducts, all ducts must be sealed according to duct sealing specifications. Refer to pages 23–25 of the Weatherization Specification Manual for additional information. Please note: Incentives cannot be paid on a new duct system unless a pre-duct leakage test is performed on the existing system and a post-duct leakage test is performed on the new system.

For a printable copy of the 2008 Weatherization Specification Manual, please visit www.energytrust.org/TA/hes/forms.html

Mini split heat pump pilot

Energy Trust has launched a mini split heat pump pilot. Each outdoor unit is now eligible for the same incentive offered for regular heat pumps. If you would like to offer mini split heat pumps to your customers, simply indicate “mini split” on the paid-in-full invoice that accompanies either incentive application forms 300A or 320H. To participate in this pilot, the invoice must also include the following information:

- Contractor name
- Install cost (equipment and labor combined)
- Install date
- Equipment manufacturer
- Number of indoor units
- EER, SEER and HSPF ratings
- Tons

Updated multi-unit complex incentive eligibility

Please be aware of our updated multi-unit complex eligibility requirements:

- Individually owned townhouses that are side-by-side are eligible for stand-alone weatherization and appliance measures.
- Weatherization incentives are not available for 2–4 unit complexes unless all units undergo the same measures. However, a single unit in a 2–4 unit complex is eligible for stand-alone appliance measures (e.g. furnaces).

Cooperative marketing team addition

We would like to introduce Nicolette Reibold, our new addition to the cooperative marketing team. To better serve your cooperative marketing needs and deadlines, Nicolette will be assisting Stephanie Gray, marketing coordinator, in processing cooperative marketing project approval requests and reimbursement payments.

For inquiries about our cooperative marketing program and requirements, please contact Nicolette Reibold at 503-523-4824 or Nicolette.Reibold@csggrp.com.

Pacific Power energy-efficiency campaign in southern Oregon

We are excited to announce that Pacific Power, in collaboration with Energy Trust, has launched a mass media energy-efficiency campaign in Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford and Klamath Falls.

From late May into early July 2008, Pacific Power newspaper, radio and TV ads will encourage homeowners to sign up for free Home Energy Reviews and save money with energy-saving improvements and Energy Trust incentives.

If you are a trade ally in Southern Oregon, be sure to take advantage of consumer awareness created by Pacific Power's campaign and use cooperative marketing funds to run adjacent ads, commercials or direct-mailings.

If you have any questions about these program updates, please call me at 503-523-4837 or e-mail Noelle.Saint-Cyr@csggrp.com.

Sincerely,



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