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RE: APPLICATION FOR THE MARYLAND ENERGY ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM (MEAP) AND THE ELECTRIC UNIVERSAL SERVICE
PROGRAM (EUSP)

PROGRAMS AFFECTED: MEAP AND EUSP

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OHEP STATE OFFICE

On July 1, 2003 the Maryland Office of Home Energy Programs (MD OHEP)
began its new program year. Eligible families across Maryland may now apply for energy
related programs and services.

MEAP provides heating assistance grants to fuel suppliers and utility companies
on behalf of eligible applicants. EUSP provides assistance with electric bills. The EUSP
will also assist a household in paying some past due electric bills. In certain instances
both MEAP and EUSP can assist customers in weatherizing their home (e.g., insulation,
furnace repair, window replacement, etc.).

The OHEP state office wishes to strongly encourage our partners within the local
departments and other community agencies across the state to refer their customers to
the local OHEP office. For your convenience, a list of the local OHEP office telephone
numbers is attached. As an additional reference for your use, the ‘Income Eligibility
Standards’ for fiscal year 2004 is likewise attached.

The OHEP state office strongly encourages customer referrals to our local offices.
MEAP and EUSP are both valuable programs which can greatly assist Maryland’s most
vulnerable populations in maintaining their independence and self-sufficiency.

The OHEP state office is always available to answer any policy or procedural
questions that may arise and can be reached by calling 1 (800) 352-1446.
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