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FAMILY INVESTMENT, CHILD WELFARE AND ADULT SERVICES

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PURCHASE OF CHILDCARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS

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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, 2007 the Maryland Office of Home Energy Programs (MD OHEP) begins 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.). Weatherization of homes is now completed via an inter-agency agreement with the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

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 2008 is likewise attached. Applications, brochures and posters are available from the OHEP State Office or local offices and an application for energy assistance programs is also on SAIL at www.marylandsail.org. The OHEP web site includes additional program information. The address is www.dhr.state.md.us/meap.

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With the rise in energy costs this year, the OHEP state office strongly encourages customer referrals to our local offices. MEAP and EUSP are both valuable programs that 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 410-767-7218. The statewide information number for applicants is 1(800) 352-1446.

cc: DHR Expanded Executive Staff
FIA Management Staff
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OHEP Mailing List (All Energy Partners)

LOCAL OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS (OHEP) TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Allegany County....301.777.8550

Anne Arundel County....410.626.1910

Baltimore City....410.396.5555

Baltimore County....410.853.3385

Calvert County....410.535.1010

Caroline County....410.819.4500

Carroll County....410.857.2999

Cecil County....410.996.0270

Charles County....301.274.4474

Dorchester County....410.901.4100

Frederick County....301.600.2410

Garrett County....301.334.9431

Harford County....410.638.3240

Howard County....410.313.6440

Kent County....410.810.7716

Montgomery County....240.777.4450

Prince George's County....301.909.6300

Queen Anne's County....410.758.8000

Shore Up! Inc.

(Covers Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties)....410.749.1142

St. Mary's County....301.475.5574

Talbot County....410.822.5015

Washington County....301.797.4161

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS

Income Eligibility Limits Effective July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

Household Size	Maximum Monthly	Maximum Yearly
	Income Standards	Income Standards
1	\$1,488	\$17,867
2	\$1,996	\$23,957
3	\$2,503	\$30,047
4	\$3,011	\$36,137
5	\$3,518	\$42,227
6	\$4,026	\$48,317
For each additional		
person, add	\$507	\$6,090