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To: Family Housing Residents

Subj: HOUSING RESIDENT ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (RECP)

Encl: (1) RECP Brochure  
(2) RECP Frequently Asked Questions

1. Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton (MCB CamPen) in conjunction with our family housing partners, Lincoln Military Housing and Hunt Communities (Deluz), is moving forward with the Resident Energy Conservation Program (RECP) to increase awareness and conservation of energy in our homes and neighborhoods. The program is the result of a Secretary of Defense energy efficiency policy. The intent of the RECP is to promote good stewardship of our resources and environment through awareness, personal responsibility, and education. Enclosures (1) and (2) provide additional information about the program.

2. For the awareness portion of the RECP, Lincoln Military Housing and Hunt Communities (Deluz) have been collecting utility consumption data for the Camp Pendleton Public-Private Venture (PPV) homes in order to establish a power consumption baseline according to housing type and size.

a. The program start date for Camp Pendleton is January 2013 for Phase I and April 2013 for Phase II.

(1) Phase I housing areas are Deluz, Del Mar, San Luis Rey, San Mateo Point, San Onofre I/II/III, South Mesa I, Stuart Mesa II, and Wire Mountain I/II.

(2) Phase II housing areas are Del Mar (Koepler Street), Forster Hills, O'Neill Heights, Pacific View, Santa Margarita, Serra Mesa, South Mesa II, Stuart Mesa, Wire Mountain III, and 14th Street.

b. You will begin receiving a monthly utility consumption statement, also referred to as a "mock bill", starting three months before actual program implementation that will show how much electricity you are using each month. Subsequent statements will follow each month. The statement will include a utility usage target, which is the amount of electricity considered "normal" for the type and size of your house. This amount will vary month-to-month based on seasonal differences in climate.

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3. The personal responsibility component of the RECP potentially involves changes in behavior that will help lower utility usage and save energy. The main tool will be the monthly utility usage statement, which will eventually serve as an actual bill for electricity consumed above the utility usage target. You may be rewarded with a rebate if you consume less than a certain percentage below the usage target amount or pay a bill for that amount used over the usage target amount.

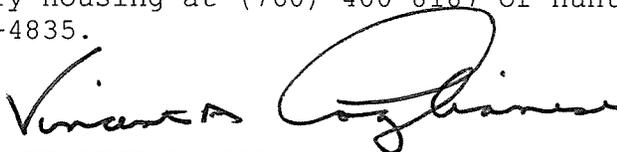
a. The target date for actual billing to start is April 2013 for Phase I and July 2013 for Phase II. You should begin comparing your actual usage with the usage target amount as soon as you receive your first statement. Awareness and energy conservation are key to not exceeding that energy usage target.

b. Your Property Manager can provide assistance such as examining the electric meter or assisting you with conducting a self-energy audit. My Family Housing team will also provide you with more information about actual billing, rebates, and charges before we begin implementing them.

4. The third and perhaps most important element of this RECP is education. Along with your monthly statement consumption report, you will receive tips and ideas from your PPV Partner on ways to reduce energy consumption. Individually, these energy saving tips result in small savings but collectively they can make a big difference in how much energy you use in a given month.

5. MCB CamPen, Lincoln Military Housing, and Hunt Communities (Deluz) are also doing their part to reduce energy consumption through energy efficient construction and use of alternate sources of energy generation such as solar. We are also striving to adopt and employ green practices at home and at work.

6. Additional details about the RECP will soon be provided by your Lincoln Military Housing and Hunt Communities (Deluz) PPV Partner. If you have any questions, please contact the Family Housing Office at (760) 725-5995 or Lincoln Military Housing at (760) 400-8187 or Hunt Communities (Deluz) at (760) 385-4835.

  
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