

# Department of Navy Resident Energy Conservation Program

### **Community Briefing**



Aug 17 & 18 Sharkey Theater 5:30 pm

Aug 19 Pearl City Peninsula Community Center 5:30 pm

Aug 23 Shenanigan's Restaurant, Pacific Missile Range Facility, Kauai 6:00 pm

Aug 24 Ford Island Conference Center, 5:30 pm

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Aug 26 Wahiawa Annex Chapel 5:30 pm



# Agenda

- Background
  - OSD policy
  - Why save energy?
- Program Description
  - Implementation Schedule
  - Billing Process





### **Background**

- In 1998, the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) established policy for the payment of utilities in privatized family housing to encourage a reduction in energy consumption. Two tenets:
  - o Private-Public Venture (PPV) projects will establish a BAH revenue amount to set aside for average utility usage
  - Residents will be required to pay for excessive usage and benefit from conserving
- The DoN Resident Energy Conservation Program (RECP) supports this OSD policy







### Pilot RECPs

- A joint USN-USMC pilot RECP at Navy Region Hawaii (Oahu & Kauai), Marine Corps Base Hawaii, and Beaufort/Parris Island
  - Forest City Hawaii is the PPV Partner for both Hawaii projects
  - Pilot will be evaluated after one year of billing
- Designed to encourage energy conservation by providing a financial incentive to conserve electricity
- Schofield started mock billing in July; Hickam slated for 2013







# Why Save Energy?

- Reducing dependence on fossil fuels & foreign oil increases our national security & helps ecosystem
- Hawaii has the highest electric rates in the U.S—rates are rising
  - Apr 10: Hawaii was \$0.27/kWh; national avg was \$0.11/kWh
- The project's electric bill for 2010 projected to be over \$19M
  - About 48% of project costs to operate homes goes to utilities
- Money saved from reducing utility consumption goes to improving homes, neighborhoods and services







### Pilot Implementation Schedule

- Education and Communication Phase: 14 Jul-31 Aug
  - CNRH & Forest City websites activated
  - Ho'okele article, notification letters
  - Community meetings
- Mock Billing Phase: 1 Sep-31 Dec
  - Allows residents to understand bill
  - Forest City will help high users assess home energy efficiency and usage
  - Allows residents to adjust usage habits as necessary
  - Sign new leases
- Live Billing Phase: 1 Jan 11-31 Dec 11
  - Credits and payments occur





### **Billing Process**

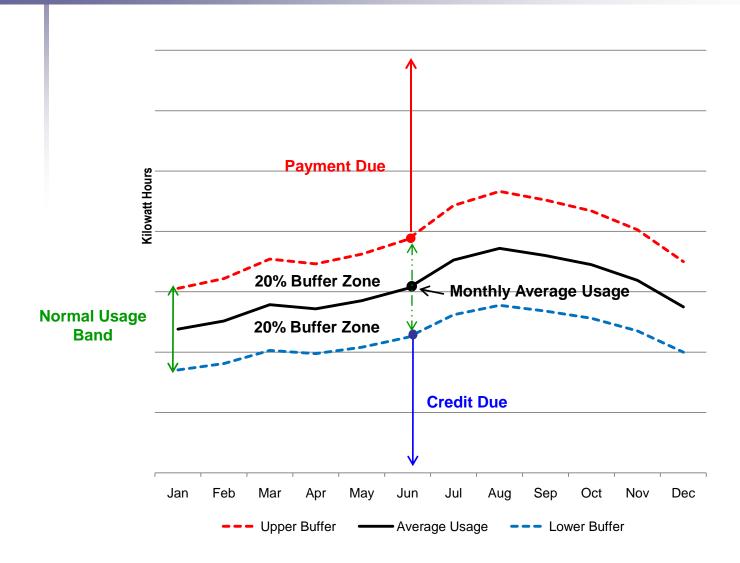
- Every home will be assigned to a like-type group and their monthly average usage will be calculated
  - Homes grouped by number of bedrooms, size, and year built
  - Homes not included in calculation if unoccupied for any part of month



- The monthly average usage will be multiplied by the current electric rate to obtain the monthly average electric bill.
- Buffers will initially be set 20% above and 20% below the monthly average usage to establish a <u>normal usage band</u>
- Residents below the normal usage band will receive a credit, and those above the band will pay for the excess usage



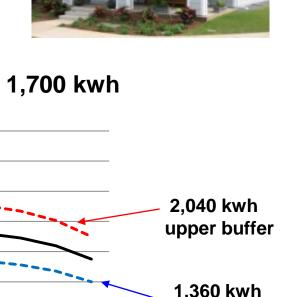
# When Payments and Credits are Due

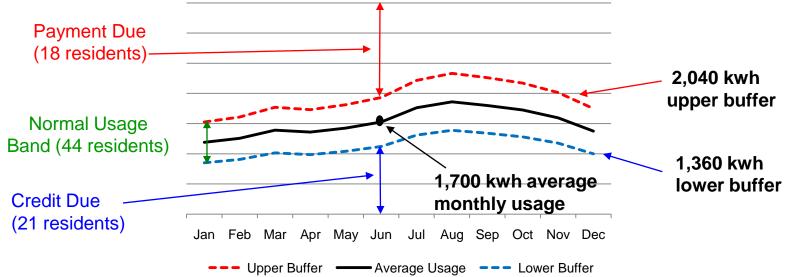




## Sample Calculation (Jun 2010)

- Like-Type Group: 98 3-BR homes at McGrew Point
  - 2,125 2,344 square feet
  - Built in 2005 2007
- 83 homes occupied for entire month
- Removed top 5% users (4 homes) and bottom 5% users (4 homes)
- 75 users had average monthly usage of 1,700 kwh







### Sample Bill

Credit received or balance due

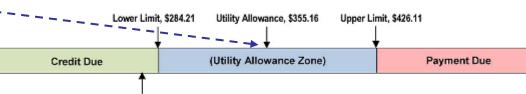
Monthly average usage for your like-type group

Your usage this month compared to other similar homes

Your usage history

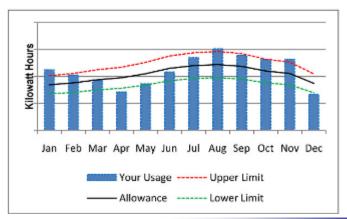
Your Account			
Address	Account Number 987654321	Previous Balance\$42.58	
Scott J. Harper 1234 Anderson Avenue Honolulu, HI 98818	Invoice Number	Payments (Thank you!)(\$42.58)  Current Charge (Credit)(\$12.64)	
Amount Due \$0.00	Invoice DateJan 15, 2011	Balance Forward(\$12.64)	

Service	Details				
	Meter No	Begin Read	End Read	kWh	\$/kWh
	66779988	12054	13386	1,332	0.20388
	Upper Limit			2,090 kWh	\$426.11
	Average of Like-Type Homes (Utility Allowance) Lower Limit			1,742 kWh	\$355.16
				1,394 kWh	\$284.21
	Your Usage			1,332 kWh	\$271.57
	Amount Owed/(Credit Amount)			-62 kWh	(\$12.64)



Your Usage = \$271.57

Yo	our Usage Profile	)
Month	kWh	Amount
Jan 2010	2,250	\$458.73
Feb 2010	2,200	\$448.54
Mar 2010	2,075	\$423.05
Apr 2010	1,965	\$400.62
May 2010	2,050	\$417.95
Jun 2010	2,150	\$438.34
Jul 2010	2,300	\$468.92
Aug 2010	2,365	\$482.18
Sep 2010	2,200	\$448.54
Oct 2010	2,250	\$458.73
Nov 2010	2,380	\$485.23
Dec 2010	1,332	\$271.57





# **Payments and Credits**

#### Payment Options

- Personal check to the billing company when bill is over \$15
- Credit card payment at <u>ww.yardiutilitiesph.com</u>
- Direct payment from your checking account



#### Credit Options

- Receive a check from the billing company when credit is over \$15
- Choose to carry-over credit amounts from month-to-month
- May change election once a year at anniversary of your lease signing





### **New Leases**

- New leases are required to reflect the new requirements of the RECP program for residents to pay for excess electrical consumption and receive credits for conservation
- Residents will begin signing new six-month leases starting as early as October 2010
- Lease signing sessions planned so everyone has new lease NLT 31 Dec 2010 with effective date of 1 Jan 2011





## **Exceptions**

- Wounded Warriors are exempt from the RECP program
- Residents with Exceptional Family Members
   (EFMs) may request a waiver from participation
  - EFM sponsor sends a request for a waiver to the NAVREGHI Family Housing office
  - Provides documentation from EFM office with reason requiring excess electric consumption
  - EFM Families waived will not be eligible for rebates
- Currently excluded unmetered neighborhoods:
  - Manana and Red Hill Terrace
  - Un-renovated Camp Stover homes
  - Halawa and historic Hele Mai







### **PPV RECP Websites**

Navy Region Hawaii's RECP website is:

http://greatlifehawaii.com/recp/

Forest City's RECP website is:

http://fcnavyhawaii.com/



- A billing website is coming o/a 24 Aug where residents can access and easily view their usage information
  - Electric usage through any given day of the month
  - A projection of monthly usage based on current trends
  - Comparison of usage with the like-type group average usage
  - A projection of whether the residents can expect to receive a credit or have a payment, or neither
  - Current bill compared to historical usage



### Summary

- RECP implements OSD policy to encourage energy conservation
- Provides incentive for residents to manage electric usage much like military families living in the civilian community
- Residents receive credit for conserving more than normal and only pay for excessive usage
- Generates savings that are used to provide long-term sustainability and benefits to PPV neighborhoods
- Right thing to do





### **Points of Contact**

### For questions about the RECP, please contact:

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# **Questions?**





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