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**NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS HOLDS ENERGY ASSISTANCE DAYS
Residents Facing Financial Hardship are Encouraged to Attend**

WALL, N.J. – Energy costs can add a significant burden to family budgets. Whether a family or an individual is on a limited income or faced with unanticipated financial hardship, there are energy assistance and home energy-improvement programs available.

From mid September through early October, New Jersey Natural Gas (NJNG) will host its annual Energy Assistance Days throughout its service territory. Here, representatives from NJNG and state-designated agencies will team with community members to determine which programs best fit their needs and assist with the application process. To qualify and apply for energy-assistance programs, participants must provide proof of identification, proof of income, proof of home ownership or rental agreement and recent copies of both natural gas and electric utility bills.

On October 1, 2014, the federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) will begin accepting applications for the 2014-2015 heating season. LIHEAP and the state's Universal Service Fund (USF) help income-eligible households meet home heating and medically necessary cooling costs. Moreover, NJNG's Gift of Warmth fund – along with the state-sponsored Payment Assistance Gas and Electric and NJ SHARES programs – provide energy assistance to households that exceed LIHEAP and USF income thresholds but are experiencing temporary or unanticipated financial hardship. Households also may qualify for other energy assistance or home energy-improvement programs that help reduce energy costs.

Attend one of the upcoming Energy Assistance Days and learn how to manage your energy bills and prepare yourself or a loved one for the winter season. For more information, or to connect with NJNG's energy assistance specialists, call 800-221-0051 or e-mail energyassist@njng.com.

MONMOUTH COUNTY

Long Branch

Wednesday, September 17, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Long Branch Library
328 Broadway

Asbury Park

Thursday, September 18, 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

City Hall/Municipal Building
One Municipal Plaza

Eatontown

Friday, September 19, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

SCAN Adult Education Center at Monmouth Mall
180 Highway 35 South

Union Beach

Monday, September 22, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Municipal Building/Council Chambers
650 Poole Avenue

Neptune

Thursday, September 25, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Monmouth County Connection
3544 State Highway 66 (Home Depot strip mall)

Howell

Thursday, October 2, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Municipal Building, 2nd floor Meeting Room
4567 Route 9 North

Keansburg

Friday, September 26, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Bayshore Senior Day Center
100 Main Street

OCEAN COUNTY

Brick

Monday, September 15, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Township of Brick Civic Center
270 Chambersbridge Road

Long Beach Island

Wednesday, September 24, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

St. Francis Community Center
4700 Long Beach Boulevard

Little Egg Harbor

Tuesday, September 16, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Little Egg Harbor Community Center
319 W. Calabreeze Way

Lakewood

Tuesday, September 30, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Ocean County Library – Lakewood Branch
301 Lexington Avenue

MORRIS COUNTY

Dover

Tuesday, September 23, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Edna's Haven/Trinity Lutheran Church
123 East Blackwell Street

Denville

Wednesday, October 1, 2 – 7 p.m.

Municipal Building
One Saint Mary's Place

In addition, NJNG offers free energy assistance presentations to community organizations. To reserve your date, please contact NJNG's energy assistance department at 732-938-1055 or energyassist@njng.com. Additional information is available at njng.com.

About New Jersey Resources

New Jersey Resources (NYSE: NJR) is a Fortune 1000 company that provides safe and reliable natural gas and clean energy services, including transportation, distribution and asset management. With annual revenues in excess of \$3 billion, NJR is comprised of five primary businesses:

- **New Jersey Natural Gas** is NJR's principal subsidiary that operates and maintains 7,000 miles of natural gas transportation and distribution infrastructure to serve over half a million customers in New Jersey's Monmouth, Ocean and parts of Morris and Middlesex counties.
- **NJR Energy Services** manages a diversified portfolio of natural gas transportation and storage assets and provides physical natural gas services and customized energy solutions to its customers across North America.
- **NJR Clean Energy Ventures** invests in, owns and operates solar and onshore wind projects with a total capacity in excess of 85 megawatts, providing residential and commercial customers with low-carbon solutions.
- **NJR Midstream** serves customers from local distributors and producers to electric generators and wholesale marketers through its equity ownership in a natural gas storage facility and a transportation pipeline, both of which are Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or FERC-regulated investments.

- **NJR Home Services** provides heating, central air conditioning, standby generators, solar and other indoor and outdoor comfort products to residential homes and businesses throughout New Jersey and serves approximately 119,000 service contract customers.

NJR and its more than 900 employees are committed to helping customers save energy and money by promoting conservation and encouraging efficiency through Conserve to Preserve[®] and initiatives such as The SAVEGREEN Project[®] and The Sunlight Advantage[®].

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