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October is Energy Awareness Month

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) and Ohio Development Services Agency are partnering to increase awareness of energy efficiency during Energy Awareness month. Throughout October, the agencies will provide tips on reducing energy costs as well as information on energy assistance programs.

“Conservation and efficiency are key components as we strive to control costs on our heating and cooling bills,” PUCO Chairman Todd A. Snitchler stated. “Energy Awareness month serves as a perfect reminder of how applying these principles into our daily lives, consumers can develop habits to reduce their usage and save money on their utility bills.”

During October, Ohioans are encouraged to review how they use energy in their homes and offices. Installing programmable thermostats and washing only full loads of dishes and clothes are just a few ways to increase your energy efficiency. Ohioans needing assistance in managing their energy costs can visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov to learn more about programs that are available.

“Saving energy is as simple as turning off the lights when you leave a room,” said David Goodman, director of the Ohio Development Services Agency.

The Ohio Development Services Agency has programs to help Ohio businesses and communities implement energy efficiency measures. By lowering energy usage, businesses and communities can save money. Program information can be found at http://www.development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_energyloanfund.htm.

More information on energy conservation also can be found on the PUCO website, <http://www.puco.ohio.gov/puco/index.cfm/consumer-information/consumer-topics/energy-and-water-conservation-tips/>.

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