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Up to \$6,300 in Cash Rebates and Incentives Available for PG&E Customers to Green their Homes for Lower Utility Bills

Rebates available to first 500 PG&E Customers who use a BPI-Certified Contractor

Irvine, CA — Bay Area Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) customers have an opportunity to be among the first to claim up to \$3,500 in cash rebates from a special PG&E pilot. The beauty of this pilot program says Jerry Unruh, President of Hayward's ABC Cooling and Heating, is that customers can combine this cash rebate with other current Federal and State programs for up to \$6,300 towards improving their home's energy efficiency. Available on a first-come, first-served basis to the first 500 customers, the PG&E rebates are only available when homeowners work with a BPI-certified contractor to perform a home energy audit and the resulting upgrades.

PG&E is offering customers reimbursement for up to 50 percent of the total cost of their home energy upgrades. The exact amount of each customer's cash rebate increases incrementally based on the projected energy savings obtained from the upgrade, but a minimum 20 percent reduction in energy use is required to qualify. Add this to the up to \$1,300 cash rebates from the California Cash for Appliance

Program, which now includes air conditioners (up to \$1,000) and furnaces (up to \$300), and the \$1,500 Federal Tax Credit, and you could get 50% of your home energy upgrade paid for.

In a partnership with the nation's leading home-performance contractor, GreenHomes America, ABC Cooling & Heating is able to offer customers these limited-time cash incentives from PG&E. To qualify for the PG&E cash rebates, homeowners need to do the following. First, a home energy audit needs to be performed by a BPI-certified building analyst to identify the energy saving upgrades that need to be completed. Next, the homeowner chooses the upgrades they desire based on their needs and budget. Energy modeling software is then used to project the energy savings that will occur after the upgrades are installed and to calculate the cash rebate. Then the chosen upgrades are installed and a post-upgrade energy audit is completed and submitted to verify the quality of the work and validate the energy savings. Lastly, the homeowner will receive their cash rebate from PG&E.

Qualified upgrades include sealing air leaks, attic and wall insulation, improved duct work, high-efficiency cooling and heating systems, and more. The installation process typically only takes two to three days to complete, and provides a lifetime of energy savings and increased comfort for your home.

For more information about the PG&E Pilot Whole House Program please call (559) 292-9240.

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