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Red hot rewards for switching to cleaner, greener, gas

Ipswich homeowners feeling the winter chill are urged to switch to gas and take advantage of rebates worth up to \$500, Member for Ipswich Rachel Nolan said today.

“The \$4 million Residential Gas Installation Rebate Scheme will help Ipswich homeowners meet the cost of switching existing electric household appliances over to gas,” Ms Nolan said.

“The scheme applies to existing homes connected to reticulated natural gas, reticulated LPG and LPG cylinders.”

Homeowners must have an eligible gas hot water system installed before they can apply for further rebates to switch other electrical appliances to gas including cooking appliances, internal space heaters and clothes dryers.

The maximum rebate per installation address is \$500 and specific eligibility criteria apply to the rebate for each appliance. Rebates available include:

- \$300 for an eligible gas hot water system
- \$200 for an eligible gas cooking appliance
- \$200 for an eligible internal gas space heater
- \$200 for an eligible gas clothes dryer

Ms Nolan said the rebate scheme would help households in the Ipswich region become cleaner and greener, delivering significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

“Changing from electricity to gas for heating water and cooking will reduce a household’s greenhouse gas emissions by around two tonnes a year.”

Participating gas retailers will deliver the rebate on behalf of the State Government by crediting the customer’s gas bill.

The scheme is scheduled to end on 31 August 2009 or earlier, if the allocated rebate funding has been claimed.

For more information about the rebate scheme and eligibility criteria, visit www.dme.qld.gov.au/gasrebate or call the Department of Mines and Energy on 07 3247 3254.