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President of Senate
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State House, H-107
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

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Speaker of the House of Delegates
Maryland General Assembly
State House, H-101
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Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to State Government Article §7-512.1, the Department of Housing and Community Development shall report to the General Assembly on the Low-Income Weatherization Component of the Electric Universal Service Program. In fulfillment of this mandate, below please find the Electric Universal Service Program Report dated as of June 3, 2016 providing information in accordance with Section 2-1246 of the State Government Article.

On or about October 1, 2007, funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the low-income weatherization component of the Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP) was transferred to the Department of Housing and Community Development from the Office of the Comptroller. The funding was allocated by agreement to a network of 15 local weatherization agencies that serve each political jurisdiction in the State of Maryland. The local agreements for State Fiscal Year 2008 provided the performance period for the low-income weatherization component of the Electric Universal Service Program that began on October 1, 2007 and ended June 30, 2008.

The \$1,000,000 was fully utilized, with assistance provided to 427 households in all 24 political jurisdictions. EUSP funds were leveraged with other sources of weatherization funds.

The average cost of EUSP funds in the 427 housing units assisted was approximately \$2,342 per unit. The EUSP funds provided weatherization assistance to 395 owner occupied units, 8 multi-family rental units and 24 single family rental units.

The Department of Housing and Community Development works closely with the Department of Human Resources and has a history of assisting income eligible households with energy efficiency improvements. Each Department operates their respective programs through a network of local agencies.



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The types of projects assisted during the reporting period were primarily single family owner occupied housing units. The single family housing units included detached homes, row/town homes and mobile homes. Preference is given to the elderly, the disabled and to families with young children and/or who have the highest energy consumption. The incomes served are all below 30 percent of the area median income. The types of activities EUSP funded include insulation, air sealing (caulk and weather-stripping), minor furnace work such as a clean and tune and other related activities designed to conserve energy.

If you have any questions on this or any other matter, please contact me at (301) 429- 7796 or by email at tiffany.robinson@maryland.gov at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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