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Cape Light Compact Files Historic Annual Report on Energy Efficiency Activities for 2012

Barnstable, MA, August 1, 2013 – Cape Light Compact (Compact) filed its annual report on August 1st on energy efficiency activities for calendar year 2012 with the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources and the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities.

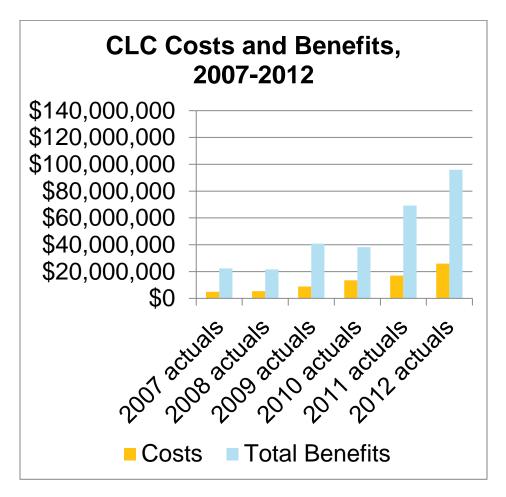
Cape Light Compact concluded the final year of its first three-year energy efficiency plan with historic results. The Compact, along with other Massachusetts Program Administrators, was able to attain significant levels of energy savings, while maintaining budgetary control and complying with the directive of the Green Communities Act to seek all cost-effective energy efficiency opportunities.

"For the second year in a row, Massachusetts has been named number one in the nation by the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE) for energy efficiency efforts," states Dr. Joyce Flynn, Cape Light Compact Governing Board Chair. "I'm especially proud of the Compact's 2012 superb cost-effectiveness, by translating over \$25 million in costs into more than \$95 million in savings and benefits for ratepayers on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard."

2012 Annual Report Highlights:

- Cape Light Compact achieved the greatest amount of energy savings, for a single program year, in its history.
- Cape Light Compact's Energy Efficiency Programs re-invested over \$25 million in costeffective energy saving measures in homes and businesses on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard.
- Approximately 14,000 Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard residents and businesses took advantage of Cape Light Compact's Energy Efficiency Programs.
- 2012 Program participants will experience more than \$95 million in benefits over the life of the measures installed. These benefits come in the form of: lower electric bills, reduced carbon emissions and deliverable fuel savings.
- Over 318,000 Megawatt-Hours (MWh) of electricity will be saved over the lifetime of the installed energy efficiency measures. Enough electricity to power approximately 44,000 homes for one year.
- Over 7,000 students and teachers participated in our education based presentations, field trips, and all-school Energy Carnivals.

- For the ninth year in a row, the Compact was proud to have our schools recognized by the National Energy Education Development Project ("NEED) and MA DOER for their outstanding work in energy education outreach to their communities.
- The Compact held a standards-based graduate level course for teachers to introduce and reinforce energy education concepts for the classroom.



The full report is available for review on the Cape Light Compact website at the following link: <u>www.capelightcompact.org/eeannualreport</u>.

"From July 2001 through December 2012, The Cape Light Compact has administered over \$104 million in rate payer funded energy efficiency services to the residents and business of Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard and is on track to re-invest another \$29 million in 2013," states Flynn. "Since all electric customers pay for these programs, the best return on your investment is for customers to participate."

About Cape Light Compact

Cape Light Compact is an intergovernmental organization consisting of the 21 towns and two counties on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard. The Compact's mission is to serve our 200,000 customers' through the delivery of proven energy efficiency programs, effective consumer advocacy, competitive electricity supply and green power options. For more information, visit www.capelightcompact.org or call 1-800-797-6699.