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Fort Erie and Port Colborne residents continue to achieve significant energy savings through conservation programs

Three residents win grand prizes for participating in province-wide initiative

March 26, 2009 --- Residential customers in Fort Erie and Port Colborne continue to support the call to reduce their electricity use and lower their energy costs under conservation programs offered by Canadian Niagara Power Inc. ("CNPI").

The final results from CNPI's 2008 energy conservation programs have now been calculated and show that the electricity saved by its residential customers under two programs offered in cooperation with the Ontario Power Authority (OPA), would power almost 300 average homes for a month.

The energy conservation programs offered by CNPI in 2008 included the Every Kilowatt Counts Summer Sweepstakes and the Great Refrigerator Roundup.

The Summer Sweepstakes challenged residential customers to reduce their consumption by at least 10% compared to the summer of 2007. Customers who registered for the program and achieved the 10% savings were entered into a draw for energy conservation items such as Energy-star rated refrigerators, dishwashers and mountain bikes. Approximately 694 customers in Fort Erie and Port Colborne participated in the program, with 212 customers achieving the 10% goal.

"Once again our customers should be congratulated for the efforts they have made to reduce their energy usage. The significant reductions they continue to accomplish help to lower the demand for electricity during peak periods of the year and reduce energy costs, now and in the future," said Bill Daley, President and CEO of CNPI.

CNPI is proud to announce that Larry & Susan Bearss of Ridgeway and a customer from Port Colborne were two of the ten province-wide winners of a grand prize consisting of an LG stainless steel bottom-freezer refrigerator, built-in dishwasher and self-clean electric range. As well, a customer from Fort Erie won an iPod Touch and Solio charger. CNPI also had customers who won prizes during the Early Bird draw. The prizes won locally included a solar charger, a surge protector standby power bar, and a solar garden light set.

Under the "Great Refrigerator Roundup" Program, another joint initiative with the OPA, CNPI customers disposed of 296 old, energy inefficient refrigerators, freezers and/or window air conditioners in an environmentally friendly manner.

"I encourage everyone who is conserving energy to continue their efforts. Saving energy not only saves money on the family budget but it's important to the environment," added Daley. "If anyone is looking for ways to save electricity, please visit our website at www.fortisontario.com.

FortisOntario is headquartered in Fort Erie, has operations in electricity distribution and transmission and serves approximately 52,000 customers primarily located in Fort, Erie, Port Colborne, Cornwall and Gananoque, Ontario and meets a peak demand of 256 MW. FortisOntario is 100% owned by Fortis Inc. of St. John's, Newfoundland. For more information on FortisOntario, please visit the corporate website at www.fortisontario.com.

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