



Rater UPDATE

TAD Rated Homes of Louisiana

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To: ALL LOUISIANA HERO ENERGY RATERS
From: Jerry Heinberg, AIA
RE: New Information for your use:

Notice Regarding HERO Checks:

The Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Technology Assessment Division, has placed a temporary hold on the issuing of HERO rebate checks. The reason is that funding of this program is contingent upon the United States Department of Energy (DOE) re-approval of our funding plans.

While there is no expectation that the federal government will not re-approve funding of the program, there is no guarantee. It is however our expectation that it will be and the check will be issued as soon as we receive DOE approval and the funding. We are sorry for the inconvenience but for the time being this is outside of the Department's control.

New Energy Rates as of May 1, 2008:

Average Statewide Energy Rates

Average Electric Rates:

*North Louisiana	=	\$0.0943 per Kwh
*South Louisiana	=	\$0.0972 per Kwh
New Orleans (Orleans Parish only)	=	\$0.1126 per Kwh

Average Natural Gas Rates:

State Rate (except NO)	=	\$1.631 per Ccf
New Orleans (Orleans Parish only)	=	\$1.436 per Ccf

Average Propane Rate:

State Rate	=	\$2.034 per gallon
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These new rates are for Preliminaries which have submitted on or after May 1, 2008.

*The dividing line between North and South Louisiana is the Southern most boundaries of Avoyelles, Rapides, and Vernon Parishes

New Submittal Requirement:

We no longer require the “Energy Cost and Feature” Report for Preliminary or Final Submittals. Please do not continue to submit this with the usual documents. Also, please cease sending us the “Economic Summary” Report on the Preliminary Submittal.

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