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Change A Light

(NAPSA)—Here's a bright idea from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE): save money and the environment by changing your indoor lighting to ENERGY STAR.

A typical household spends about 10 to 15 percent of its annual electric bill on lighting—mostly due to inefficient fixtures and bulbs. By reducing energy use, consumers can significantly reduce their annual energy bills—and help reduce the risk of black-outs and brownouts.



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ENERGY STAR qualified compact fluorescent lights use 66 percent less energy than standard incandescents and last up to 10 times longer.

“By replacing a 100-watt incandescent with an ENERGY STAR qualified 32-watt compact fluorescent light (CFL), a household will save at least \$30 in energy costs over the lifetime of the bulb,” says Marsha Penhaker, DOE spokesperson for ENERGY STAR. “In addition to saving money, consumers can cut their demand for power, which is critical to helping prevent power outages.”

In addition to light bulbs, you can also get ENERGY STAR qualified indoor and outdoor light fixtures. According to DOE, these distribute light more efficiently and evenly than standard fixtures.

To learn more, visit www.energystar.gov or call the ENERGY STAR hotline at 1-888-STAR-YES (1-888-782-7937).