

News Release



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Bright Idea for Social Housing Tenants

PCL Energy Services in partnership Cotman Housing, Longhurst Homes, Chelmer Housing Partnership, Hundred Houses Society, Axiom Housing and Orbit Housing, has developed a scheme to provide tenants with low energy light bulbs free of charge.

The scheme will run over the next 12 months and will provide over 12,000 low energy bulbs. Each bulb can save up to £78* over the lifetime of the bulb as they can last up to 12 times longer than an ordinary bulb. It is hoped that this initiative will potentially save tenants nearly £1,000,000 in energy costs over the life of the bulbs.

Mark Randall of PCL Energy Services said of the new initiative, "We hope these bulbs will give tenants the opportunity to save money on their energy costs while doing their bit to tackle climate change by reducing their homes carbon emissions."

Jane Warnes Operations Manager for Cotman Housing added "We are grateful to PCL for this generous gesture. We will distribute bulbs to new residents when they sign for a tenancy with us. This will be one less thing for them to think about at an incredibly busy time so I'm sure they will be appreciative. As well as offering a courtesy service, we hope this will help residents to save energy and costs, and to think about the environment as they do so."

To find out more about the PCL Energy Services scheme contact us on 01733 568532 or visit www.pcl-energy.co.uk

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Notes to Editor

* Source Energy Saving Trust Leaflet "Save your 20%"

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