

## DEP ANNOUNCES RESIDENTIAL ENERGY CONSERVATION WORKSHOPS

**12/2/2005: WILLIAMSPORT** — The Department of Environmental Protection will hold three residential energy conservation and assistance workshops in Lycoming County this month to help homeowners conserve energy and save money this winter.

“These workshops are being held in conjunction with Governor Edward G. Rendell’s comprehensive Stay Warm PA initiative to make sure Pennsylvania’s most vulnerable residents are warm and protected this winter, especially as homeowner energy bills could jump as much as 48 percent,” DEP Regional Director Robert Yowell said.

The workshops will focus on no-cost and low-cost ways to save energy and money at home, especially for low-income residents and senior citizens on fixed incomes.

DEP Energy Engineer David Shimmel will present information on energy conservation. He will be joined by staff from the Department of Public Welfare’s Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Department of Community and Economic Development’s weatherization program. A question-and-answer session will follow the presentation.

The workshops will be held twice each day at each location, starting at 10 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. Dates and locations are as follows:

- Dec. 7: Bethany Lutheran Church, 369 Broad Street, Montoursville.
- Dec. 14: DEP Regional Office, 208 W. Third St., Suite 101, Williamsport.
- Dec. 15: St. John Lutheran Church, 229 Broad Street, Jersey Shore.

For more information about Governor Rendell’s Stay Warm PA initiative, visit the Governor’s Web site at [www.governor.state.pa.us](http://www.governor.state.pa.us). To learn about assistance programs, weatherization resources and energy conservation ideas, visit [www.staywarmpa.com](http://www.staywarmpa.com).