

# Home Energy Savings Program

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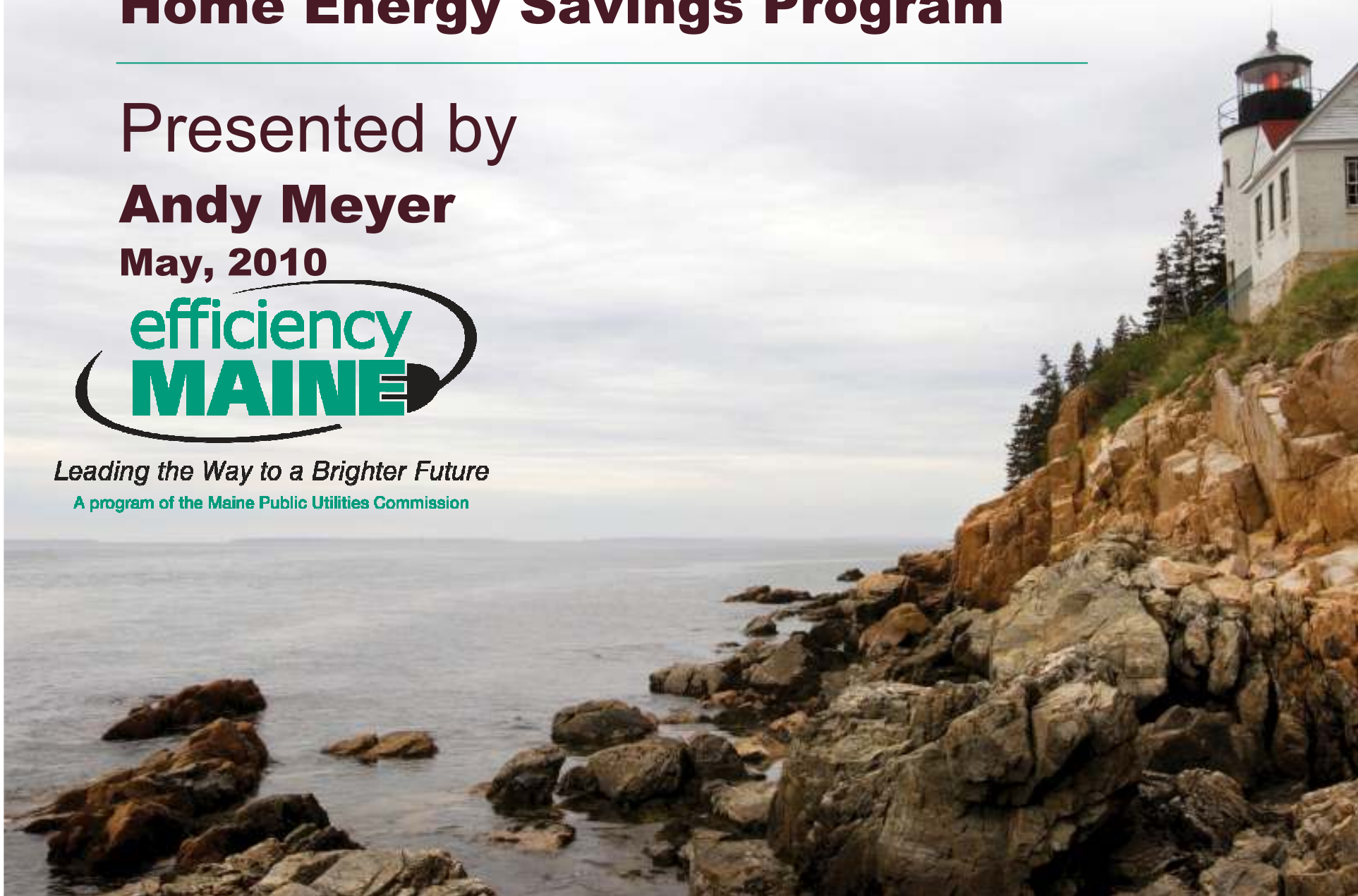
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# Introduction



- **Rebates up to \$3,000 for residential energy savings projects**
- **Any income level**
- **Kicked off January 1, 2010**
- **Market rates**
- **Process**
  1. Energy audit with Participating Auditor
  2. Energy improvements by any contractor (not DIY)
  3. Test out by Participating Auditor
  4. Homeowner receives check

- **Participating Auditors are:**
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party certified
  - Maine Fuel Board licensed
- **100% of audits are reviewed by program staff**
- **100% jobs have blower door & CAZ test out**
- **15% jobs visited by staff (EPA rec's  $\geq 5\%$ )**
- **100% customer satisfaction feedback planned**
- **Non-program M&V planned**

# Helping Homeowners Find Quality Auditors



- **Current website list**
  - Location
  - Services offered (e.g. audit, air sealing, HVAC, etc)
  - Service area
- **Planned website:**
  - Above info plus:
  - Searchable by distance from homeowner
  - # of jobs completed
  - Average customer satisfaction rating

# Why BPI Required for Auditors?



- **National 3<sup>rd</sup> party standard for existing homes**
- **DOE HomeStar only accreditation standard**
- **EPA's only standard**
- **NEEP's only standard**
- **MABEP-supported**
- **MSHA's direction**
- **Community Colleges only audit curriculum**
- **\$350 testing fee (KVCC)**

# Sales pitch



**This program is ideal if you have:**

- **Ice dams**
- **Frozen pipes**
- **Cold/hot rooms**
- **Moisture problems or**
- **You pay >\$1 / ft<sup>2</sup> / year**
  - eg >\$2,000/yr for a 2,000ft<sup>2</sup> home

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