

The ClimateSmart Home Service would like to congratulate Wesfarmers Curragh for embracing this highly successful program in the Blackwater area. With the support of Wesfarmers Curragh's ClimateSmart Home Service voucher initiative, 125 Blackwater households have been transformed into ClimateSmart homes. These bill-busting residences will collectively save up to \$40,625 a year on their power bills and reduce their combined carbon footprint by 2,225 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions – equivalent to taking more than 500 cars off Queensland roads for one year. Anthony Coates, ClimateSmart Home Service

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Energy efficiency begins at home

Wesfarmers Curragh's work to reduce its greenhouse emissions doesn't stop at the mine gate. In 2010 the mine teamed up with the Queensland Government to offer permanent employees a ClimateSmart Home Service – including an audit and efficiency plan by a certified electrician, the installation of a water efficient showerhead, 15 energy efficient light globes, and a Wireless Power Monitor.

With 125 of the Curragh households in Blackwater taking up the offer, the program cost Wesfarmers Curragh \$6,250 and is expected to cut energy and

water bills by up to \$40,625 in total per year and save more than 2,200 tonnes of greenhouse gases annually.

The ClimateSmart Home Service is part of Wesfarmers Resources' Climate Change Strategy, which recognises cutting emissions requires everyone to be aware of the issue and change their behaviour relating to energy use. Reinforcing the energy efficiency message at home has contributed to a change of attitude toward energy efficiency on-site. Wesfarmers Resources had a goal to progressively reduce the greenhouse gas emissions and energy intensity of its operational and life cycle, and is working to achieve this through:

- improving energy efficiency
- investing in longer term energy reduction opportunities



- communicating its climate change position, goals and strategies to stakeholders
- embedding the climate change response into business systems, processes, operations and culture.