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Water saving is not just a summer task, says Climate Energy

Following the news that we are already facing draught conditions in Central, Eastern and Southern England next year, it's more important than ever that we all do our bit to preserve water even during the water months says **Essex based Climate Energy**.

Thanks to the lowest rainfall since records began 100 years ago, Central, Eastern and Southern regions of England were warned yesterday by the Government that water use must be rationed because of a high risk of droughts next year.

It's not all bad news, though. According to the experts at Climate Energy, saving water can be done cheaply and easily, and since 25% of household fuel costs are spent on heating hot water, it can also cut the cost of your energy bills.

Richard Lloyd, Water Saving Expert at Climate Energy gives the following tips for saving water in the home during the winter months:

- **Contact your water company** – Many water companies are now supplying customers with water saving devices. Give yours a call to find out how they can save you water and money.
- **Fully load your washing machine** - A full load uses less water than two half-loads.
- **Have a shower instead of a bath** – Switching to a shower can save over 150 litres of water per week. Just be careful if you have a power shower – this can use more water than a bath!
- **Shower timer** - You'll be surprised how much water energy and money you can save by cutting down the amount of time you spend in the shower. This timer simply helps you to keep a check on how much time you spend in the shower.
- **Only fill the kettle with as much water as you need** – Not only will this save you water, it will also save you money on your energy bill.
- **Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth** - A running tap can use six litres of water per minute.
- **Don't leave the tap running to clean dishes or vegetables** - Use a bowl of water instead.
- **Fit a Save-a-flush** - This bag of crystals sits in the bottom of a toilet cistern, and reduces the amount of water needed to flush a toilet. This can help save up to one litre of water with every flush.
- **Use a tap aerator** - You could save up to 55% on energy and water use by installing an aerator on all suitable taps in the bathroom and kitchen. These devices are



designed to prevent limescale buildup and have an integral anti-clogging screen to filter sediment.

- **Water saving shower devices** - There's a whole range of water saving shower devices available and are designed to reduce the flow of water, but don't alter the feel of the shower. Our expert has chosen and fitted the right one for your home.

For more information about how you can save water and reduce your energy bills, please contact Climate Energy on 0800 096 6356.