Eastern Gardens

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To: All Members and residents of Eastern Gardens Cooperative, Inc.



## LAUNDRY MACHINE REPLACEMENTS

LAUNDRY MACHINES – The long awaited replacement of our laundry machines has arrived. Management was informed by our laundry machine provider, WASH, will be begin installing the new machines on Thursday, February 23, 2012. It's not certain which laundry room they will start first or if WASH will require additional time/days to complete the job, but I will work out those details and keep you informed.

To help us perform a safe job and to protect you and your family, the membership is being asked, if you need to do your laundry and you notice that the machines are being replaced, please make every effort to use the other laundry room that is not currently having the machines replaced or consider doing your laundry on another day. I wish to call your attention to the following additional precautions:

- Keep clear and observe all closed-off areas while work is being performed, (e.g. taped or roped areas).
- Do not interfere with workers or stand and watch.
- Warn your children and family members to be careful while riding their bicycles or driving their vehicles. Trucks and equipment are involved while loading and offloading the machines.

Eastern Gardens current commission rate is 100% of all monies collected over a \$34.00 base rate per machine per month. However, for the past 20+ years the price has never been raised, (i.e. .25 cents for dry and .60 cents for wash). Regretfully, the cost to do laundry will go up:

- > .50 cents for dry; and
- .75 cents for wash; no more dimes!

The increase helps offset our operating expenses, (e.g. water usage and energy costs for the washers and dryers).

Your support and cooperation during this transition of replacing the equipment will be very much appreciated which helps assure the success and safety for everyone. For additional information concerning Eastern Garden's laundry contract arrangements, see your Membership Handbook, page 60.

Sincerely, **Theresa Williams**, FPI EG Manager/Community Director