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**Smart Energy Homes of Tomorrow Coming to Texas Today**  
***Reliant Energy Home Makeover Sweepstakes Showcases Technology and Services***

HOUSTON—Texas homeowners will find out what the home of the future looks like before the future gets here. Reliant Energy's Smart Energy Home Makeover Sweepstakes will transform two Texas homes of today into the smart energy homes of tomorrow. Sweepstakes winners will each receive a \$10,000 package of technology and services to give them the power to manage how and when they use electricity.

"This makeover will take an average home and make it smarter and more energy savvy," said Tom Gros, Senior Vice President, Reliant Energy. "With a home energy automation system linked to an iPad™, winners can manage their electricity use from almost anywhere. With more information and control, they will be able to make informed choices about their electricity usage even while away from home."

Homeowners can enter the sweepstakes for a chance to get the latest in home automation and energy-saving tools and technology at [www.reliant.com/smartenergy](http://www.reliant.com/smartenergy). Along with bragging rights for having one of the smartest homes on the block, homeowners can win a range of innovative tools including:

- **Home Automation** - a wireless system that controls a variety of energy-related devices in the home, including a thermostat, light switches and security cameras. The package includes equipment, installation, a one-year service agreement with a home automation provider and one year of streaming music from Rhapsody.
- **Energy Monitoring System** - a way for customers to view - from a computer or iPad - how much electricity their home is using and how much it costs to run certain appliances in the home, such as the refrigerator or air conditioning and heating system, includes one-year monitoring service, installation and set up.
- **Flat Panel TV** - 46" energy efficient LCD/LED television, installation included
- **iPad™ (Wi-Fi)** - 16GB iPad with case that can also be used to control the home automation system remotely.

Reliant Energy customers with smart meters have access to smart energy solutions today that provide valuable insights into their electricity use, helping them make informed energy choices.

The Reliant Energy Weekly Summary email shows how much electricity the customer used during the week, compares that to the previous week and projects how much the bill will be at the end of the billing cycle.

Reliant's Time-of-Use plan gives customers the ability to shift their usage to lower-priced, off-peak times to save money. This gives customers the benefit of making choices about when and how they use electricity.

Individuals must enter the sweepstakes by January 31, 2011. The sweepstakes is open to persons 18 years and older who are residents of the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) in areas where Reliant Energy product offers are available. Official rules are at [www.reliant.com/smartenergy](http://www.reliant.com/smartenergy).

**About Reliant Energy:**

Reliant Energy provides electricity and energy services to more than 1.5 million retail customers—including homes, small and large businesses, manufacturing facilities, government entities and institutions across Texas. As part of NRG Energy (NYSE: NRG), Reliant Energy is backed by one of the nation's largest power producers. NRG owns and operates more than 24,000 megawatts of generation capacity, including more than 11,000 megawatts of capacity in Texas. For more information about Reliant Energy products and services, visit [www.reliant.com](http://www.reliant.com).

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