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**SAMPLE ENERGY USE MEMO**

**Date:** *Insert*

**To:** *Insert Contact Here (e.g., All Crew)*

**Subject:** *Insert Subject Here (e.g., Energy Practices for a Sustainable Production)*

**First, the shocking facts:**

In a typical U.S. household, appliances and home electronics are responsible for about 20% of one’s energy bills. Heating and cooling are responsible for about 56%. Homes lose an average of 50% of their heat through walls and loft spaces. Insulation to protect those spaces may seem costly, but in the long run, it’s more energy efficient.

North America accounts for roughly **25% of all the world's energy** usage annually.

**How can we help as a production?**

* Turn off lights, computer monitors and power bars at the end of the day to save energy and money.
* Use LED lights on set and in the production office.
* Use Energy Star compliant (or equivalent) electronics, aim for at least 50%. These are more energy efficient.
* Open windows and use fans when the weather is nice. Be sure to turn off the AC!

**What can you do as an individual?**

While most electronics offer an ‘energy efficient’ sleep/standby mode, don’t be misled. Nearly 75% of electricity used by electronics is consumed while in their standby mode. If you plug your electronics into a power strip, switch the strip off when you’re not using them. This will help you lesson your CO2 emissions and lesson the energy bills impact on your wallet.