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### **NEX Customers Receive Five Cent Credit for Using Eco-Friendly Reusable Bag**

NEX customers who are looking to save a few more cents when they shop can bring in reusable bags for their purchases. NEXs give a five cent credit for each eco-friendly reusable bag used to bag a customer's purchase. Customers may either bring their reusable bag into the store or purchase a reusable bag from the NEX.

"This program is a great way to help reduce the amount of disposable plastic bags used at the NEX," said Richard Dow, Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) Senior Vice President, Store Operations. "I encourage our customers to use reusable bags for their purchases. "Not only will using reusable bags save money it also benefits the environment by keeping disposable plastic bags from entering the waste stream."

The five cent credit program applies to all NEX retail and direct run service facilities where bags are normally provided. It does not apply to our contract operations such as food vendors and mall kiosks that are operated within NEXs. The program also does not apply to disposable plastic bags that are being reused.

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#### **About NEXCOM**

The Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) is headquarters for the worldwide Navy Exchange System that oversees 102 NEX facilities and its 300 stores worldwide; 41 Navy Lodges; Ship's Stores; Uniform Program Management Office. NEXCOM's parent command is the Naval Supply Systems Command. NEXCOM's mission is to provide authorized customers quality goods and services at a savings and to support quality of life programs for active duty military, retirees, reservists and their families. The Navy Exchange enterprise operates primarily as a non-appropriated fund (NAF) business instrumentality. Revenues generated are used to support Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) programs. In FY09, \$2.5 billion in sales were generated with over \$51.1 million in dividends provided to Navy MWR programs.

