



# News Release

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### **CHARLESTON AFB BEGINS USING GEO THERMAL HEAT/AIR**

**What:** Ribbon-cutting ceremony, by 437th Airlift Wing commander Rusty Findley, at one of almost 1,000 Charleston AFB Military Family Housing Units that have been updated with geo thermal heating and air conditioning units.

**Date and time:** April 11, 2001, 1:30 p.m.

**Location:** 3520 Idaho, Hunley Park Housing Area

**Why:** The newly installed geo thermal heating and air conditioning units were installed as part of a win-win partnering agreement between the Air Force and private industry and are expected to reduce base energy consumption by 35%. The project was completed on schedule and on budget and is expected to save the base more than \$800,000 a year in energy costs.

***(To attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony or to set up interviews, contact Staff Sgt.***

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