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Heat Pump Rebate Program Agreement

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It is in the joint interest of North Western Electric Cooperative (NWECC) and its members to reduce the demand for electricity and promote the use of high-efficiency appliances. The Heat Pump Program is designed to aid all the electric members of NWECC by increasing the efficiency of your heating systems, as well as the efficiency of NWECC's electric distribution operation.

Heat pump heating and cooling systems installed in the electric member's homes or businesses can provide more efficient use of electricity and lower overall heating costs while permitting NWECC to make more efficient use of its electric facilities.

NWECC will offer a heat pump system rebate to encourage energy efficiency for approved heat pump heating and cooling systems. In order to qualify for a heat pump rebate, the member must agree to adhere to specific program requirements. **One of the member's requirements is to use a qualified heat pump HVAC contractor for the system that will be installed.** This and other requirements are stated below.

Contractor Requirements

Additionally, the Cooperative has several requirements for the HVAC contractor performing the work for the member in order for the member to qualify.

- Equipment shall be rated according to ARI (Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute) test standards and certified by ARI or CSA (Canadian Standards Association) or other nationally recognized testing organizations.
- The heat pump shall be a central system or ductless mini-split meeting current minimum federal appliance efficiency standards.
- Equipment installed with an ENERGY STAR® qualification shall be in compliance with required SEER and HSPF minimums at the time of installation.

| <u>ENERGY STAR Unit Requirements</u> | <u>SEER</u> | <u>HSPF</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Split Systems | 15 | 8.5 |
| Single Package Systems | 15 | 8.2 |

- The complete system, including any necessary supplemental devices, shall be listed by UL (Underwriters Laboratories) or other nationally recognized testing organizations in accordance with UL standards.
- The system must include properly-sized ductwork according to the structure's load calculations.
- The system shall be wired according to NWECC's requirements concerning second meters and possible future installation of radio switches for direct load management efforts and in compliance with National Electric Code and local or Ohio Electric Code requirements.
- Contractor shall provide to the NWECC members, as part of the sales/installation agreement:
 - Owner's manual and instruction for equipment operation
 - Installation instructions and warranties.
 - An offer for a maintenance/service contract.
- **The system must be the primary HVAC source for the entire structure.**

Contractor or Consumer Submission Requirements

The Participating contractor or consumer shall be required to submit to NWECC:

- A completed Heat Pump Rebate Request form.
- A contractor invoice showing the name of member and address where equipment would be installed.
- Both forms must be submitted within **60 days** of installation of the equipment in the structure.

Member Eligibility

In order for the member to be eligible for the heat pump rebate program:

- The building must be a residential, commercial or industrial structure which uses electricity from NWECC.
- The rebate is to be paid to the Cooperative member who owns the structure.
- A maximum rebate of \$400 may be paid per unit, or a maximum of \$600 per ENERGY STAR rated heat pump.
- A maximum of two rebates may be paid per residential consumer-member home.
- A maximum of \$2000 (or 50 percent of installed project cost, whichever is lower) may be paid for non-residential member facility with multiple heat pumps installed.

Rebate Request

In order for the rebate request to be processed for actual payment:

- Once the heat pump equipment is fully operational, it is the member's responsibility to notify North Western Electric to arrange the appointment for the required system verification visit.
- A representative of NWECE must visit the home or business to verify the installation and equipment.

Rebate/Credit

- The rebate check will be paid by the Cooperative following the completion of the verification appointment. The check will be mailed to the Cooperative member who has ownership of the residence or commercial/industrial structure.

Program Review

- The Cooperative will annually review this program to determine its continuance for another 12-month period. All contractors will be notified of any changes in the program should they occur.



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Return completed Heat Pump Rebate Request form along with a copy of the contractor invoice to the NWEC office within 60 days of the installation of the equipment in the structure.

Please Print

Member/Customer Name: _____

Address (where equipment will be installed): _____

Phone: _____ Member Type: Residential Commercial Industrial

Contractor Information:

Contractor Name: _____

Contractor Representative: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Equipment Information:

Ductless Mini-Split System

Central System

Type: Single Zone Multi-Zone

Type: Single Package System Split System

Manufacturer: _____ Size (in tons): _____

Model #: _____ Serial #: _____

SEER: _____ HSPF: _____

ENERGY STAR® Rated: Yes No

Heating Backup: Oil Natural Gas Propane Electric Other

Type of System that was Replaced: Natural Gas Dual Fuel Other Electric Oil Propane

Heat Pump Geothermal New Structure None

Contractor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

For office use only:

Date Received: _____ Date Verified: _____ Location #: _____

Approved – Forwarded to Accounting Not Approved – Reason: _____

RCS: WH GEO A/C RCS ID#: _____ Code#: _____

NWEC Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____