Residential rebate application instructions

Applying for your rebate is easy!

Review the checklist below, complete, print, sign the application, and submit.

Checklist for completing your application

- ☐ **Read** the terms and conditions to determine if you are eligible for a rebate.
- Verify the installed equipment or service meets the eligibility guidelines. All equipment and services require proof of purchase and may need additional documentation. See proof of purchase requirements and review the "Terms & Conditions" on Page 2 of this form to ensure all program criteria are met.
- □ Purchase and install qualifying equipment or service. The rebate application must be received within 60 days of installation. Work with your contractor to complete and submit the application.
- ☐ Complete all numbered steps in the application.

 Note: providing your e-mail address will expedite any issues with your application.
- ☐ **Print, sign and date** the application.

 Do not staple documentation or application.
- Mail your completed application and documentation.

Note: only the pages with numbered steps (pages 3, 5 and 6 of this document) need to be submitted.

□ Keep a copy for your records.

Mail to:

Minnesota Energy Resources

1377 Motor Parkway, Suite 401 Islandia, NY 11749

Need help?

Please call us at: 866-872-0052, option 1 Email: merc@appliedenergygroup.com Website: cashrebatesnow.com

Your rebate check will be mailed approximately four to six weeks after we receive a completed, eligible application including all required documentation.



Here's what you'll need to get started:

- Minnesota Energy Resources natural gas account number for home
- Customer and contractor contact information
- Proof of purchase
- Additional equipment or service documentation

Proof of purchase requirements:

Retailer/contractor dated receipt or invoice must be attached and reflect the product(s) and or service(s) listed on the application and must include:

- Retailer/contractor name, address and phone number
- Customer name
- Installation address
- Product(s) or service(s) details including:
 - Quantity
 - Manufacturer
 - Model number
 - Purchase price for each product or service
 - Installation costs (if applicable)
 - Installation or service date (if installed by contractor)
- Equipment replaced under a ServiceChoice service plan requires a copy of your Minnesota Energy Resources statement showing monthly fee for service plan.
- We cannot process your application without proof of purchase that contains all information specified above.

If information is missing, application will be returned.

Residential terms and conditions

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General terms and conditions

This program offers financial incentives for the purchase and installation of select, energy efficient home improvement measures and new natural gas equipment. Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. To qualify for rebates, an applicant must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be a current residential Minnesota Energy Resources customer or property owner for the installation address associated with the
 account number provided. Furthermore, the equipment and/or measures installed and rebated must be installed at the property
 associated with this account number and must reduce use of natural gas energy.
- For equipment rebates, all equipment must be new. Refurbished or homemade systems are not eligible. Equipment installed under manufacturer warranty replacement does not qualify for a rebate.
- To avoid delay, a final, itemized receipt for all material and labor related to the equipment and installation must be attached to this rebate application. Estimates and proposals will not be accepted, unless attached to receipt reflecting the identical amount.
- . All applications must be received within 60 days of installation.
- . Minnesota Energy Resources is not responsible if the dealer does not provide accurate information about the amount of a rebate or equipment eligibility. It is the responsibility of the customer to ensure that the program requirements are met.
- Where applicable, energy efficiency ratings must comply with those listed in the Air-Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) Directory, ENERGY STAR, and the Home Ventilation Institute (HVI) for space heating and water equipment. Ratings can be found by model number at www.ahridirectory.org, www.energystar.gov or www.hvi.org. Submitting an AHRI, ENERGY STAR or HVI certificate with your application and invoice is highly recommended. These lists and directories for qualifying equipment are dynamic and change frequently.
- We reserve the right to request proof of payment. This can be either a credit card receipt or statement showing the charges paid to your contractor, or a copy of the front and back of a cashed check made out to your contractor and showing the payee name, date and amount.
- Rebate checks will be made payable to customer or property owner shown on receipt. This must match the customer or property owner
 of record. Installers or contractors are not eligible to receive their customer's rebates.
- · Contractors performing work on their own properties must provide proof of purchase and payment.
- If you are building a home, you must obtain an invoice from your builder or heating dealer. Only one rebate per piece of equipment.
- Participants understand they are not eligible to receive a rebate for this improvement earned under a different Minnesota Energy Resources program. Only one rebate per piece of equipment is permitted.
- If more than one measure was installed, receipt must itemize costs for each measure.
- This program is subject to regulatory rules and orders. Minnesota Energy Resources reserves the right to change any portion of this program or to end this program without notice.
- All projects must comply with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations, including building codes.

Misrepresentation

Making false statements on any Minnesota Energy Resources application is punishable by law. Any person who knowingly files an application containing materially false information or who purposely conceals information commits a fraudulent act that subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties. Minnesota Energy Resources shall have the right to recover payments made in reliance on fraudulent or misrepresented information. This section shall not limit other remedies that may be available for the filing of false or fraudulent applications.

Verification

Incomplete applications will be delayed. After approval, please allow four to six weeks for delivery of the rebate check. Minnesota Energy Resources reserves the right to inspect and verify any work before and/or after issuing rebates.

Tax information

Rebates may be subject to federal and/or state income tax reporting. Applicant is responsible for contacting a qualified tax advisor to determine tax liability. Minnesota Energy Resources is not responsible for any tax consequences of the Minnesota Energy Resources rebate program.

Disclaimer

Minnesota Energy Resources does not guarantee that installation of improvements for rebates will result in reduced energy usage or demand, or in cost savings. The Customer will hold harmless Minnesota Energy Resources and its officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees, and representatives from all claims, liabilities, fines, interest, costs, expenses, and damages incurred by the Customer, for any damage, injury, death, loss or destruction of any kind to persons or property, to the extent the damage, injury, death, loss or destruction arises out of or is related to the conduct, negligence, willful misconduct, misrepresentation, breach of warranty or other breach of this application form on the part of Minnesota Energy Resources.



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Minnesota Energy Resources is a natural gas utility serving 179 communities across Minnesota. You must be a customer with an active account to participate.

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The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provides incentives and tax credits for making energy efficiency improvements. For additional information on The Inflation Reduction Act incentives and tax credits visit: https://www.energy.gov/save. Please indicate if IRA incentives or tax credits will be utilized for the improvements being rebated?

Yes
No

(Your response to this question will not affect your rebate.)

STEP 1 Customer i	nformatio	on		
Minnesota Energy Resource your gas bill:	s account	numb	er loca	ted on
Only continue if you are a Minnes	ota Energy Res	sources i	natural ga	s customer.
Customer name (as it appears or Installation address:	bill)			
Street				
City	S	State	Zip	code
Telephone number				
email (will be used for rebate pro	gram notifica	ntions)		
Rebate check payable to:				
Name must appear on invoice	or accoun	ıt.		
Mailing address: (if different from installation ad	dress)			
Street				
City	S	tate		ZIP code

STEP 2 Household info	rmation	
□ Duplex □ Tripl □ Multi-family dwelling (5 units of the street of the	ex or more) oldlord	☐ Manufacture ☐ Four-plex meowner
step 3 Contractor/dea		tion
☐ Check here if self-installed		
Company name		
Contact name		
Company street address		
City	State	ZIP code
Telephone number		
email (will be used for rebate program Please send me periodic rebate		s and undates.

Date:

STEP 4

Customer signature:

Customer agreement

By signing this application, I agree to the Terms and Conditions set forth on this application. I further acknowledge that I am authorized and hereby grant Minnesota Energy Resources express permission to release to company partners the data provided in this application and other related account information, such as consumption data, needed for the sole purpose of energy efficiency evaluation, reporting and program alerts. I understand and agree that when participating in a Minnesota Energy Resources Energy Efficiency Program, I am solely responsible for the selection of any contractor that will perform work. All contractual arrangements are solely between me and the contractor. I, the Customer, will hold harmless Minnesota Energy Resources and its officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees and representatives from all claims, liabilities, fines, interest, cost, expenses, and damages incurred by me that arise out of my relationship with any contractor. If equipment is self-installed, I certify that equipment was installed at the address shown. I certify that all information I provided in the application is correct.

Signature required to process rebate.

We cannot process your application without proof of purchase. See page 1 of application for invoice requirements. We are unable to accept applications that do not include all of the requested information. If information is missing, application will be returned.

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STEP 5

Equipment information

- Please complete all information for the installed equipment for which you seek a rebate.
- Required information <u>must</u> be completed and submitted as part of application to be eligible for a rebate.
- Please reference all rebate requirements prior to installation to ensure eligibility.
- Invoice must list the qualifying equipment and correspond to the equipment listed on the application.
- Make a separate entry for each measure installed. If more space is needed, please photocopy this form and submit with the application.

Equipment	Minimum efficiency	Rebate per unit
Natural gas furnace**	92% AFUE	\$300
Natural gas furnace	94% AFUE	\$400
Natural gas furnace	97% AFUE	\$600
Natural gas boiler	90% AFUE	\$400
Integrated space and water heating system	92% AFUE	\$400
Natural gas storage water heater	ENERGY STAR® certified and .64 UEF	\$175
Natural gas storage water heater	ENERGY STAR® certified and .82 UEF	\$300
Natural gas tank or tankless water heater	ENERGY STAR® certified and .87 UEF	\$350
Drain water heat recovery (DHR) device		\$300
Electronic programmable setback thermostat**	Customer Programmed	\$25*
Advanced thermostat or Wi-Fi enabled	Advanced analytics or Wi-Fi enabled	\$75*
Natural gas heating system tuneup**	Work must be performed by licensed HVAC technician	\$70
Natural gas hearth/fireplace	Direct vent, sealed combustion, electronic ignition fireplace, insert or free-standing stove	\$150
Heat/Energy recovery ventilation (HRV/ERV), whole home where no HRV/ERV previously existed	65% SRE, 75 CFM	\$500
Aerosol duct sealant**	Where no duct sealing previously existed, minimum reduction of 50%	\$2.50 per CFM reduction up to \$750
†Air sealing and insulation**	See air sealing and insulation rebate form	\$125-750*
†ENERGY STAR® Window replacement**	ENERGY STAR® certified and min 6 sq ft.	\$75

AFUE = Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency, UEF = Uniform Energy Factor CFM = Cubic Feet per Minute, SRE = Sensible Heat Recovery Efficiency

†Separate application forms need to be completed for these measures. Visit <u>cashrebatesnow.com</u> for additional details and to download forms.

^{*}Rebate amount is 100% of total cost, up to maximum rebate listed above.

^{**}Retrofit or existing homes only. New construction does not qualify.

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Other requirements

- To be eligible for these rebates, the developer or property manager must demonstrate the housing will be serving low income.
- Property must be occupied by a low-income family as described by Federal poverty guidelines.
- Limit one qualifying thermostat per gas service address.
- Thermostats must control natural gas-fired heating systems.
- If installed as a part of a heating system, thermostats must be listed on the contractor's invoice to be eligible for rebate.
- Provide complete thermostat model number.
- Water heaters must be fueled by natural gas to be eligible for water heating.
- Indirect water heaters are not eligible for rebate.
- If the home or development is enrolled under the Home Energy Excellence program, it will not be eligible to receive space heating, ENERGY STAR windows or water heating rebates under this program.
- For duct sealing, must have furnace with ductwork. Work must be installed and measured by a licensed contractor.
 Mastic tape sealing does not qualify. Rebates are not available for new construction. New constructions is defined as a home built within the last two years.
- HRV/ERV for furnaces must provide whole house ventilation. Performance is determined based on listed data within the HVI directory of certified equipment. For a list of eligible models check our website.

EQUIPMENT OR SERVICE INFORMATION

- Perform carbon monoxide test and correct any safety issues.
- Check flame characteristics and adjust gas and/or air, if needed.
- Check flue gas path from burner to vent for cleanliness and cracks. Clean and report as necessary.
- Check the pilot/igniter for proper operation.
- Check the flame sensor/pilot light shut down controls for proper operation.
- Check the condition of the furnace air filter.
- Check condition of fan motor(s) or pump motor (for boilers). Lubricate bearings as needed.
- Check the operational controls and adjust, if necessary.

System type Natural gas furnace (Required) Integrated natural gas	e □Natural gas boiler gas space and water heating
Manufacturer	Serial number
Approximate age of unit	
Tuneup performed as a part of a p	paid service contract:
☐ Yes ☐ No	
The heating system thermostat is ☐ Programmable ☐ Non-Programmable	

Aerosol duct sealing (for existing homes only)

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Primary location of ductwork (required):

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Heating system size	Pre-CFM25	Post-CFM25	Date installed
Btu/hr			

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EQUIPMENT INFORMATION			
Natural gas space heating equipment System type:	Thermostat Limit one qualifying thermostat per gas service address.		Heat/Energy recovery ventilation System type:
☐ Furnace ☐ Boiler ☐ Integrated natural gas space and water heating	□ Advanced thermostat □ Wi-Fi enabled thermostat □ Electronic programmable setback thermostat (retrofit only) Did this replace a non-programmable thermostat?		☐ Furnace ☐ Boiler
Installation date	☐ Yes ☐ No (Non-programmable: a dial thermostat or a thermostat that does not allow for daily schedules.)		Manufacturer
Manufacturer		ualifying thermostat per gas service address.	Model number (must be on invoice)
Model number (must be on invoice)	Manufacturer		СЕМ
Serial number	Model number (must be on invoice)		SRE
AFUE rating			
Btu/h input			
ENERGY STAR natural gas water he	aters	Drain water heat recovery device	Natural gas fireplace
	Tankless	My water heater is fueled by:	
Water heater replacing (required): ☐ Storage [Tankless	☐ Natural gas ☐ Electricity ☐ Other	Manufacturer 1
Manufacturer		Manufacturer	Model number or SKU (must be on invoice)
Model number or SKU (must be on invoice)		Model number or SKU (must be on invoice)	Serial number 1
Serial number		Serial number	Manufacturer 2
Rating: Uniform Energy Factor (UEF)			Model number or SKU (must be on invoice)
Tank capacity (gallons for storage water heater)			Serial number 2

Free water conservation kit request form (for existing homes only): Yes, please send me a FREE water conservation kit. I certify my water heater is fueled by natural gas.
Select one:
☐ Kit A: 2 low-flow showerheads, 1 kitchen faucet aerator, 2 bathroom faucet aerators, and pipe insulation☐ Kit B: 1 low-flow showerhead, 1 kitchen faucet aerator, 2 bathroom faucet aerators, and pipe insulation
Water heater must be fueled by natural gas in order to qualify. Maximum one kit per household every 10 years. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.