New York State

Multifamily Carbon Emissions Reduction Program

Application Overview

Program Description

The Multifamily Carbon Emissions Reduction Program (the "Program") provides financial assistance to owners of multifamily buildings seeking to convert their heating systems from the use of #6 fuel oil to less carbon-intense fuels or renewable energy sources.

Less carbon-intense fuel alternatives for buildings that currently use #6 fuel oil include natural gas, #2 fuel oil, biofuels/biodiesel blends, revenue-grade waste gas from landfills and digesters, propane, woody biomass, and renewable energy sources such as solar thermal and geothermal systems. Buildings that intend to switch to #4 fuel oil are not eligible to receive incentives through this program.

The Program includes the following steps:

1. The building owner submits a completed Application Package including a Application Form, Project Description Form, NYSERDA's Carbon Emissions Reduction Incentive Calculator, a signed Terms and Conditions form and three years of oil bills for the period of time directly preceding submission of application to NYSERDA.
2. NYSERDA schedules and conducts a pre-construction site inspection to verify existing conditions.
3. If the Site visit establishes eligibility in the program, NYSERDA approves the application, accepts the project into the program, and issues an incentive award letter signifying the allocation of funds to the project.
4. The building owner installs the full scope of work detailed in the Project Description Form and as required under the Program Guidelines.
5. NYSERDA conducts a site inspection to confirm that the #6 fuel oil equipment has been decommissioned and that all other required upgrades to the system have been installed.
6. NYSERDA releases the incentive to the building owner.

Incentives

Incentives are awarded based on projected annual average emissions reductions from fuel conversion as calculated using NYSERDA's Multifamily Carbon Emissions Reduction Calculator. Projects converting to renewable fuel sources will be evaluated for carbon emissions reduction on a case by case basis by NYSERDA Project Managers. The following conversions are eligible for the following incentives up to the lesser of $175,000 per project or 80% of the cost of work performed on the building to effectuate the fuel conversion.

Incentive Schedule Fuel Conversion Incentives	
Conversion	**Payment**
#6 fuel oil to **#2 fuel oil and <20% Biofuel Blend**	$30/ton of CO2
#6 fuel oil to **natural gas or propane or steam**	$30/ton of CO2
#6 fuel oil to **#2 fuel oil with ≥ 20% biofuel blend**	$30/ton of CO2
#6 fuel oil to **renewable energy (including biomass)**	$30/ton of CO2

Program Eligibility

Any existing multifamily building containing five (5) or more apartments located in the State of New York that is using #6 fuel oil to power its heating and/or hot water systems as of the date of the pre-installation site inspection performed as part of this program is eligible to participate.

Application Submission

Application Packets may be submitted to:

NYSERDA Multifamily Carbon Emissions Reduction Program
485 7th Avenue, Suite 1006
New York, NY 10018

For fastest processing time applications should be submitted electronically via email:

MCERP@nyserda.org

A *complete* Application Packet for the Multifamily Carbon Emissions Reduction Program consists of the following documents:

1. Application Form
2. Terms and Conditions (executed with signature)
3. W-9 for the Participating Building
4. Project Description
5. Completed Multifamily Carbon Emissions Reduction Incentive Calculator
6. 36 continuous months of fuel use records

Questions about programs requirements, your building's eligibility, the application process or any other program information can be directed to:

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