

Agreement

Efficiency Manitoba (“EM”) offers an “Incentive” to an eligible building owner (the “Building Owner”) who designs and constructs a new building that qualifies under the New Buildings Program 3.0 (the “Program”) on the terms and conditions set out below and as set out in Appendix A – Program Eligibility Criteria, which forms part of this Agreement.

The New Buildings Program 3.0 – Energy Modelling Assistance Incentive Application (the “Application”) is conditional on APPROVAL by Efficiency Manitoba under the Program and forms a binding agreement on the Building Owner. All information provided by the Building Owner must be true and correct as at the application date. This Application must be received and APPROVED BY EFFICIENCY MANITOBA BEFORE the project’s tender date and before the project is issued a building permit. All Incentive amounts are estimates and will be finalized based on the Building Owner meeting all terms and conditions of the Program and a review of all application materials including completion paperwork, invoicing, and any final inspections. The Incentive will be calculated in accordance with the Program’s incentive calculations set out in the Program Guide, which may be amended by EM in its discretion. See efficiencyMB.ca/newbuildings for current incentives.

1.0 Warranties and agreements

- 1.1 The Building Owner warrants that the applicable new construction project and all program-related submissions fully qualify and comply with Appendix A - Program Eligibility Criteria.
- 1.2 The Building Owner warrants that all information contained in the Application is true and correct. The Building Owner undertakes to advise EM immediately should there be any change to information contained in the Application form during the Building Owner’s participation in the Program. Changes to information contained in the Application may affect eligibility under the Program and Incentive amounts.
- 1.3 The Building Owner warrants and agrees that: i) he/she has read Appendix A - Program Eligibility Criteria and that the project fully qualifies to participate in the Program; ii) the Application and all matters and materials relating thereto (including, without limitation, all reports, drawings, specifications, software analysis, invoices, and permits submitted by or on behalf of the Building Owner) fully qualify and comply with the Program Eligibility Criteria; and iii) he/she has the full authority to provide to EM the Application and all information and documents in relation to this Agreement and that all information and documents are and shall be correct, current, and complete.
- 1.4 The Building Owner agrees to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and shall comply with same, together with all Program requirements, unless specifically waived by EM in writing. If the Building Owner fails to comply with this Agreement or any other requirement of EM made pursuant these terms and conditions, including without limitation if the Building Owner ceases to be the Manitoba Hydro (“MH”) account holder for the building specified on the Application, then upon notice from EM, any Incentive then-unpaid to the Building Owner shall be cancelled and any Incentives paid to a Building Owner who was in violation of this Agreement as at the payment date of the Incentive shall immediately repay the Incentive to EM.
- 1.5 EM decisions relating to the Building Owner, Application, the project’s eligibility, energy savings of the Energy Model, the amount of Incentives, or other issues relating to the Program will be final and binding on all parties and not subject to appeal.
- 1.6 The standard maximum eligible Incentive per building is \$12,000 unless otherwise agreed to by EM in writing.
- 1.7 EM reserves the right to change or terminate the Program at any time in its discretion without notice. In-process applications may be subject to cancellation should the Program be terminated. Incentive amounts are subject to change without notice and are not confirmed until the time of issuance.
- 1.8 EM reserves the right to limit the number of Program participants in its discretion, including where a Building Owner or Product would otherwise qualify under the Program.
- 1.9 This Application may be executed in any number of counterparts, including counterparts signed by fax, emailed scan-copy or, by electronic signature when submitted through an EM Building Owner user account. Where signed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one in the same instrument. A photocopied and/or fax copy of this Agreement bearing the signature of each party or an electronic copy of this Agreement having been agreed to electronically through an EM Building Owner user account and approved by EM shall be deemed an original execution version of this Agreement. Building Owner is responsible for all activity through the EM Building Owner user account.
- 1.10 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Manitoba and the applicable laws of Canada without regard to Manitoba or federal Canadian law governing conflicts of law, even if one or more of the parties to this Agreement is resident of or domiciled in any other province or country. The parties hereby irrevocably attorn to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court of King’s Bench of Manitoba, Winnipeg Centre.

2.0 Energy model requirements

The Building Owner shall ensure that:

- 2.1 The Energy Model meets the requirements set forth in the Appendix A - Program Eligibility Criteria and be acceptable to the inspection authorities having jurisdiction.

3.0 Approvals and supporting documentation

- 3.1 EM's approval for Incentives under this Program relates to the Building Owner's Program participation only and should not be interpreted to constitute consents, permits or other approvals required for necessary installation or construction associated with Program participation. The Building Owner shall obtain all necessary consents, permits, certificates and other such approvals required by applicable laws, building codes and standards to carry out the purchasing, installation, constructions, or use of the energy model and/or the new building under the Program.
- 3.2 EM reserves the right to, at any time, request and verify that the energy model has been completed in accordance with this Agreement, including without limitation by way of the Building Owner supplying EM with itemized invoices and documentation which must detail the following: contractor(s)/installer(s)/vendor(s)/manufacturer name, address(es), phone and invoice numbers; itemization of costs, permits, certificates, and invoice numbers; occupant name(s) and address(es), details on design and construction; and an itemization of costs and accuracy of cost information of the energy model. The Building Owner shall, as necessary, provide consents and authorizations, including without limitation, to its Contractor/Installer and Vendor or otherwise as necessary to provide for direct communication with EM for these purposes.

4.0 Tax implication

- 4.1 EM will not be responsible for any tax liability imposed on the Building Owner/Applicant as a result of any payment of the Incentive. Efficiency Manitoba is exempt from the Goods & Services Tax (GST) and therefore Incentives do not include GST.

5.0 Liability

- 5.1 EM will have no right, title or interest in the building/facility by virtue of the Building Owner's participation in the Program or the payment of any Incentive hereunder.
- 5.2 EM, not being the designer, manufacturer, nor installer of any Products, nor a designer, builder, or developer of buildings, makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the fitness, quality of design practices or capability of the energy model or the building or its installation, workmanship, or use, nor warrants that the energy model will satisfy the requirements of any law, rule, code, specification, or contract.
- 5.3 The Building Owner hereby indemnifies and saves harmless EM, its directors, officers, agents, and employees from all damages, expenses, and costs for injury or death of any person, damage to or destruction of property, and all economic loss suffered by any person caused by installation or use of the energy model or the building.
- 5.4 The Building Owner assumes all risk and responsibility for selection, installation and use of any Products or systems referenced in the energy model and any construction associated therewith, as well as any damages, injury, or costs that may result from the installation or use of the Products or systems referenced in the energy model.
- 5.5 EM does not endorse any particular consultant, manufacturer, product, system, design, contractor, supplier, designer, developer, builder, contractor, product, tool, system, design, contractor, supplier, or installer in promoting this Program.
- 5.6 The Building Owner acknowledges and agrees that it is sole responsibility to dispose of all hazardous materials (including, without limitation, asbestos) that may be contained in the Products or systems referenced in the energy model, and that it shall do so strictly in accordance with all applicable laws, government regulations and requirements, and agrees that EM has no responsibility or liability with respect to any such disposal.

Appendix A - Program Eligibility Criteria

To qualify under the Program, the following Program Eligibility Criteria must be met:

General eligibility

- (a) The Building Owner must be the owner or designated representative (e.g., property manager) of the building for which the energy model is being created;
- (b) The Building Owner must be a MH customer eligible for MH commercial general service electricity rates and MH commercial service natural gas rates. Buildings must be heated primarily by electricity or natural gas supplied by MH in order to be eligible under the Program; buildings heated primarily by any other fuel source will not be eligible;
- (c) Incentives are not available for projects already completed prior to approval of a Building Owner's application;
- (d) Projects which have received financial assistance under any other federal, provincial or MH or EM energy conservation program may not be eligible for this Program, unless otherwise agreed to by EM in writing. Building Owner shall make full disclosure of same as part of the Application and shall provide further information and/or documentation to EM upon request for consideration by EM;
- (e) EM must be notified in writing of any changes to the building design that affects the original application otherwise the application may be determined by EM to be ineligible for the Incentive. Changes to building design after application submission and Program approval may affect Incentives and Program Eligibility Criteria as determined by EM; and
- (f) This Program applies to new construction projects that are required to follow the National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings (NECB) 2020 and any provincial amendments, as determined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction. Commercial buildings not required to follow the NECB 2020 may also apply; however, Residential, Multi-Unit Residential, Farm, Industrial, and Manufacturing buildings that are not required to follow the NECB 2020 are not eligible for this Program.
- (g) To be eligible for Energy Modelling Assistance Incentive, a design energy modelling report must be submitted to EM before the project's tender date and before the project is issued a building permit. A detailed copy of the invoice(s) itemizing the energy modelling services must be provided to Efficiency Manitoba. The energy modelling assistance incentive will not exceed the amount invoiced to the building owner.
- (h) Customers must complete and submit all deliverables as outlined in the New Buildings Program 3.0 - Performance Path Program Guide (Appendix A).
- (i) Failure to qualify for Energy Modelling Assistance does not affect eligibility for the remaining New Buildings Program financial incentives or energy efficiency certification.

Program eligibility criteria

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE **SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE DESIGN ENERGY MODELLING REPORT** BEFORE THE PROJECT'S TENDER DATE AND BEFORE THE PROJECT IS ISSUED A BUILDING PERMIT.

- The Building Owner must be a Manitoba Hydro customer eligible for the General Service Electricity Rate.
- This Program applies to new construction projects that are required to follow the National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings (NECB) 2020 and any provincial amendments, as determined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction. Commercial buildings not required to follow the NECB 2020 may also apply; however, Residential, Multi-Unit Residential, Farm, Industrial, and Manufacturing buildings that are not required to follow the NECB 2020 are not eligible for this Program.
- The Applicant must be the current registered owner of the property for the building and of the building.
- Incentives are not available for projects completed as of the date Efficiency Manitoba approves this Application.
- To be eligible for Energy Modelling Assistance Incentive, a design energy modelling report **must be submitted to Efficiency Manitoba before the project's tender date and before the project is issued a building permit.** A detailed copy of the invoice(s) itemizing the energy modelling services must be provided to Efficiency Manitoba. The energy modelling assistance incentive will not exceed the amount invoiced to the building owner.
- Customers must complete and submit all deliverables as outlined in the New Buildings Program 3.0 - Performance Path Program Guide (Appendix A).
- The Building Owner must at all times comply with all applicable federal, provincial, municipal, laws, by-laws, regulations, and codes, which are, or may hereafter become, applicable, to the Building Owner, the building (including, without limitation, its design, construction, operation), the project and/or any of the team member(s) or other contractor(s), and with all requirements of Efficiency Manitoba relating to the Program, Application, Incentive, Incentive Agreement, energy supply and/or account(s).
- Efficiency Manitoba must be promptly notified of any change to the building's design at all times, otherwise the project may be determined by Efficiency Manitoba to be ineligible for any Incentives.
- Failure to qualify for the Energy Modelling Assistance Incentive **does not affect eligibility** for the remaining New Buildings Program financial incentives or energy efficiency certification.

Application instructions

1. Read the AGREEMENT on the reverse side and the PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA above.
2. Complete all fields on the APPLICATION. Please ensure that all information requested on the Application is provided. Incomplete Applications may result in delays in the approval process and may be returned.
3. Read the APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT on the Application and provide the information and signatures required.
4. Complete the PROJECT WORKSHEET.
5. Transfer Incentive Calculation amounts from the Project Worksheet to the Application form. Total Requested Incentive Payable determined by the project's final invoiced amount for energy modelling on the project. The initial Energy Modelling Assistance Incentive will not exceed \$5,000 with the remaining incentive to be paid upon completion of the program's Performance Path. The total amount of both Energy Modelling Assistance Incentives will not exceed \$12,000.
6. Enter the appropriate building owner name and address in the CHEQUE PAYMENT INFORMATION section of the Application;
7. Retain copies of the Application and Project Worksheet for your records.
8. Email the completed and signed application form to: **NewBuildings@EfficiencyMB.ca**
Project deliverables (eg. the design energy modelling report and modelling services invoice) can be attached to the email along with the application form or can be sent in subsequent emails.
9. To qualify for the Program incentives, all program deliverables must be received and approved by Efficiency Manitoba representatives. Please refer to the New Buildings Program 3.0 - Performance Path Program Guide for details on applicable deliverables.
10. Efficiency Manitoba will review the Application and all required program deliverables and if in agreement, will authorize the incentive(s) and advise the Building Owner.
11. An Efficiency Manitoba representative may visit the site and conduct a pre- and/or final inspection to confirm eligibility for the Program and/or satisfactory installation of systems and equipment. The incentive cheque will then be processed and forwarded to the payee.
12. An agent acting on behalf of the Building Owner may complete the Application; however, the Building Owner must read the agreement and sign the Applicant Statement section of the form.

If you have any questions or require assistance, contact us directly at **NewBuildings@EfficiencyMB.ca** or **204-944-8181**.

Instructions: Fill in the form below to calculate an estimate of the Incentive payable. All applicable areas must be completed.

Project team members

Provide contact information for all project team members (if any are unknown at this time, they may be left blank).

Primary contact (if different than Owner)

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

Energy modeller

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

Architect

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

Electrical engineer

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

Mechanical engineer

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

General contractor

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

Commissioning agent

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title		
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code	
Phone no.	Email			

Other (indicate design role)

Company name	Name of primary contact	Title	
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code
Phone no.	Email		

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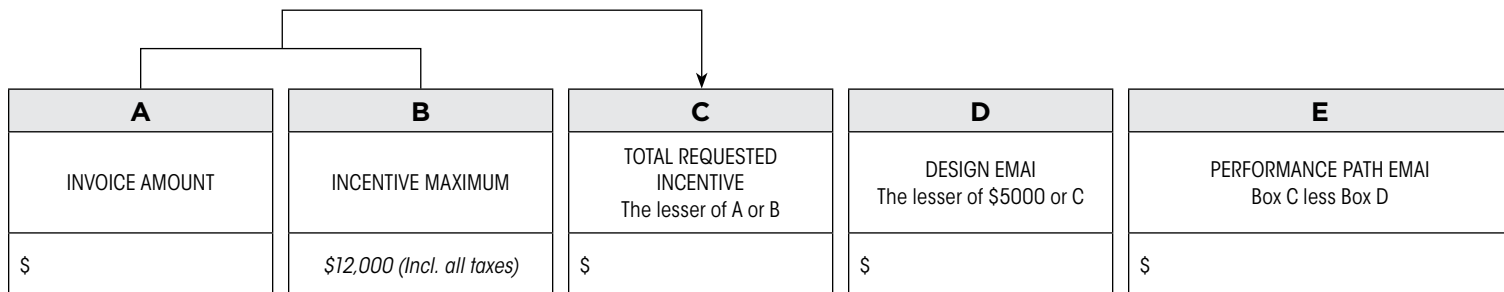
Company name	Name of primary contact	Title	
Mailing address	City/Town	Province	Postal code
Phone no.	Email		

Project information

Building energy target (minimum 5%) % better than NECB 2020	Modelling software used
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Estimated tender date	yyyy mm dd	Building permit issue date	yyyy mm dd
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Incentive calculation



Note: Final incentive amounts will be adjusted (if necessary) based on the submitted invoice and energy model.

Note: Paid to Building Owner upon completion of the Performance Path.