

# BUILDING PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES

Effective Jan. 1, 2020

| Energy Efficiency Building Improvement   | Qualifying Criteria  |                             | Customer Incentive                   |                 |
|--|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Minimum Overall Requirement  | Install all recommended health and safety improvements including mechanical ventilation, carbon monoxide detectors, or other essential improvements.   |                             | \$750 per building (not per unit)    |                 |
|  | Reduce air leakage by a minimum of 10% (as measured by a pre- and post-blower door test).  |                             |                                      |                 |
| Air Sealing  | Reduce air leakage as measured by a pre- and post-blower door test.  |                             | 20–35% reduction                     | ≥ 35% reduction |
|  |  |                             | \$250                                | \$500           |
| Insulation   | Install insulation meeting the following R-value criteria:   |                             | \$0.40 per sq. ft. of new insulation |                 |
|  | Location   | New Insulation <sup>1</sup> |                                      |                 |
|  | Attic Flat Ceilings  | R-value ≥ R-49              |                                      |                 |
|  | Vaulted Ceilings and Floors  | R-value ≥ R-30              |                                      |                 |
|  | Walls  | R-value ≥ R-12              |                                      |                 |
|  | Foundation and Rim-joists  | R-value ≥ R-15              |                                      |                 |
| Comprehensive Retrofit Bonus Package<br>(for projects that substantially improve air tightness and insulation) | Reduce air leakage ≥ 35% as measured by a pre- and post-blower door test.  |                             | \$250                                |                 |
|  | Install insulation in areas equivalent to at least 75% of the building’s finished floor area (example: a 2,000 sq. ft. building could qualify by installing 1,000 sq. ft. of insulation in the attic and 500 sq. ft. of insulation in the walls). Insulation must meet the above criteria for R-value. |                             |                                      |                 |
| Maximum incentive for air sealing and insulation improvements <sup>2</sup>                                     |  |                             | \$5,000                              |                 |



## The Efficiency Excellence Network Difference

The EEN is a trusted network of contractors, specially trained and certified in energy-saving techniques that ensure your project meets quality and savings expectations. They also have exclusive access to Efficiency Vermont incentives and low-interest financing.

<sup>1</sup> Energy code must be followed for all installations.

<sup>2</sup> Vermont Gas Customers are not eligible for the Building Performance program. If you have natural gas service, please call Vermont Gas at 802-863-4511.

## Eligibility & Exclusions:

Rebate offer is for customers of select Vermont utilities and is subject to change without notice. Incomplete forms may delay or disqualify your rebate. In the event a rebate is discontinued or changed, submissions will be honored at the higher amount if the project was completed prior to the effective date of the change, with rebate submission occurring within 30 calendar days of that date. Allow 60 calendar days for payment after Efficiency Vermont has received confirmation from your contractor of work completed.

Customer is responsible for ensuring that improvements are installed, operated, and maintained in compliance with all applicable laws, codes, regulations, rules, standards, and manufacturers' instructions. Improvements for which rebates are paid must comply with Efficiency Vermont program specifications. Projects will be ineligible if vermiculite has been disturbed or knob and tube wiring has not been properly removed or disconnected. Contractors completing projects in buildings built before 1978 must adhere to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requirements for the maintenance and renovation of lead-based painted surfaces and are required to be Lead-Safe Certified Renovators to perform renovation and repair work in areas that disturb lead-based paint. Any exposed foam plastic interior wall covering must be installed in compliance with the 2018 International Building Code Sections 2603.4 and 2603.3). Efficiency Vermont conducts site visits for a percentage of projects where rebates were paid to verify that the work performed is consistent with program specifications. They do not encompass and shall not identify violations of any other law, code, or regulation, including but not limited to local building codes. Customer is responsible for ensuring that all home improvements comply with all applicable local building codes in consultation with a local building official when necessary. Efficiency Vermont reserves the right to reclaim any rebates (or portions of rebates) paid in the event it determines the presence of any fraud, misrepresentation, or inaccuracy in the information provided, regardless of whether a verification site visit has been performed.