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# **Button-Up Weatherization Program**

#### **Purpose**

The Button-Up Weatherization Program offers an incentive for reducing the heat loss of a home. The retail member may qualify for this incentive by improving insulation, installing higher efficiency windows and doors, or by reducing the air leakage of their home.

## **Availability**

This program is available in all service territories served by EKPC.

# **Eligibility**

This program is targeted at older single-family, multi-family or manufactured dwellings. Eligibility requirements are:

- Home must be 2-years old or older to qualify for the incentive.
- Primary source of heat must be electricity.
- Eligible dwellings may qualify for one of four levels:

## **Button Up Level I**

The insulation portion of the Button Up incentive will promote the reduction of energy usage on the part of the retail member by providing an incentive of \$40 per one-thousand British thermal unit per hour (Btuh) reduced, up to \$520, resulting from improved insulation or installing higher efficiency windows or doors. Heat loss calculation of Btuh reduced will be made by using either the Manual J 8th Edition or through other methods approved by EKPC. Heat loss calculations in Btuh are based on the winter design temperature. In order to compensate for lost revenue, the owner-member will receive \$30 per thousand Btuh reduced for a total payment of \$70 per thousand Btuh reduced (\$40 per thousand Btuh to the retail member and \$30 per thousand Btuh to the owner-member).

## **Button Up Level I Payment**

EKPC will provide a payment of up to \$1,040 to the owner-member to cover administrative costs, net lost revenue, and the incentive to the retail member as noted in the Eligibility Section. A blower door test is not required to receive this incentive up to the maximum payment noted herein.

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## **Button Up Level I with Air Sealing**

The air sealing portion of the Button Up incentive will promote the reduction of energy usage through air sealing on the part of retail members. Typical air sealing could include caulking, improved weather stripping, sealing attic accesses, etc. To receive this incentive either an EKPC approved contractor or owner-member representative must perform a "pre" and "post" blower door test to measure actual Btuh reduced. This portion of the incentive will also pay a total payment of \$70 per thousand Btuh reduced and increases the Button Up Level I maximum incentive to \$750 (\$40 per thousand Btuh to the retail member and \$30 per thousand Btuh to the owner-member).

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## **Button Up Level I with Air Sealing Payment**

EKPC will provide a payment of up to \$1,545 to the owner-member to cover administrative costs, net lost revenue, and the incentive to the retail member as noted in the Eligibility Section. To qualify for the increased maximum payment as noted herein, a blower door test is required.

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# **Button Up Level II**

The Button Up Level II portion of this incentive will promote energy conservation through a whole house approach. This level of incentive is targeted at retail members experiencing high energy bills as a result of excessive heat loss from multiple causes. The incentive promotes the retail member to address all of the problems in their home at one time. Retail members who reduce their home's energy needs by 26,500 Btuh, are eligible for the full Button Up Level I Air Seal incentive plus an additional \$310 for a total of \$1,060. To receive this incentive either an EKPC approved contractor or owner-member representative must perform a "pre" and "post" inspection/blower door and duct leakage test of the home to measure actual Btuh reduced. Each home must meet minimum requirements as determined by EKPC.

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## **Button Up Level II Payment**

EKPC will provide a payment of up to \$2,085 to the owner-member to cover administrative costs, net lost revenue, and the incentive to the retail member as noted in the Eligibility Section. To qualify for the increased maximum payment as noted herein, a blower door test is required.

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## **Button Up Level III**

The Button Up Level III portion of this incentive will promote energy conservation through a whole house approach. This level of incentive is targeted at retail members experiencing extremely high energy bills as a result of excessive heat loss from multiple causes. The incentive promotes the retail member to address all of the problems in their home at one time. Retail members who reduce their home's energy needs by 34,250 Btuh, are eligible for the full Button Up Level I Air Seal incentive plus an additional \$620 for a total of \$1,370. To receive this incentive either an EKPC approved contractor or owner-member representative must perform a "pre" and "post" inspection/blower door and duct leakage test of the home to measure actual Btuh reduced. Each home must meet minimum requirements as determined by EKPC.

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## **Button Up Level III Payment**

EKPC will provide a payment of up to \$2,625 to the owner-member to cover administrative costs, net lost revenue, and the incentive to the retail member as noted in the Eligibility Section. To qualify for the increased maximum payment as noted herein, a blower door test is required.

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## **Term**

The program is an ongoing program.



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