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Community Assistance Resources for Energy Savings Program

Purpose

EKPC Community Assistance Resources for Energy Savings ("CARES") program provides an incentive to enhance the weatherization and energy efficiency services provided to the retail members of the owner-members of EKPC by the Kentucky Community Action Agency ("CAA") network of not-for-profit community action agencies. EKPC will provide an incentive through the owner-member to the CAA on behalf of the retail member. EKPC's program has two (2) primary objectives. First, EKPC's incentive will enable the CAA to accomplish additional energy efficiency improvements in each home. Second, the additional incentive from EKPC will assist the CAA in weatherizing more homes.

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Availability

This U.S. Department of Energy's Weatherization Assistance Program is available to retail members who qualify for weatherization and energy-efficiency services through their local CAA in all service territories served by one of EKPC's owner-members.

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Eligibility

HOMEOWNER QUALIFICATIONS

- A participant must be a retail member of one of EKPC's owner-members.
- A participant must qualify for weatherization and energy efficiency services according to the guidelines of the Weatherization Assistance Program administered by the local CAA. Household income cannot exceed the designated poverty guidelines administered by the CAA.
- A participant must dwell in either a Heat Pump-Eligible Home or a Heat Pump-Ineligible Home. For purposes of this tariff:

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A Heat Pump-Eligible Home is a single-family or multi-family individually metered residential dwelling that utilizes electricity as the primary source of heat or that switches from wood as its primary source of heat to an electric furnace; and

A Heat Pump-Ineligible Home is a single-family or multi-family individually metered residential dwelling (that does not utilize electricity as the primary source of heat but cools the home with central or window unit air conditioners. Each Heat Pump-ineligible home must also have an electric water heater and use an average of 500 kWh monthly from November to March.

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Payments

**HEAT PUMP - ELIGIBLE HOMES**

EKPC will reimburse the owner-member for rebates paid to a CAA at the rates detailed below. The maximum incentive possible per household is \$2,000, which can be reached by using any combination of the following improvements not to exceed their individual maximums:

- **HEAT PUMP:**  
Upgrading from low-efficiency electric heat source to a heat pump will be reimbursed at a rate of one-hundred percent (100%) of the total incremental cost (material + labor) up to a maximum of \$2,000 per household. Incremental cost is the additional cost of upgrading from a low-efficiency electric heat source to a heat pump above and beyond any costs associated with the electric furnace. The existing heat source must be electric (or switching from wood to electric) to qualify.
- **WEATHERIZATION IMPROVEMENTS:**  
Any of the following weatherization improvements made to the home will be reimbursed at a rate of fifty percent (50%) of a CAA's cost (material + labor), up to a maximum of \$1,000:
  - Insulation
  - Air sealing
  - Duct sealing, insulating, and repair
  - Water heater blanket

Health and safety measures completed at the home do not qualify for the incentive and documentation required from a CAA must adhere to the program guidelines. Quality assurance sampling will be conducted by the owner-member at a rate of ten percent (10%).

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**HEAT PUMP - INELIGIBLE HOMES**

EKPC will reimburse a CAA's energy efficiency efforts through the owner-member at the rates detailed below. The maximum incentive possible per household is \$750, which can be reached by using any combination of the following improvements not to exceed the maximum:

- WEATHERIZATION IMPROVEMENTS:
  - Any of the following weatherization improvements made to the home will be reimbursed at a rate of twenty-five (25%) of a CAA's cost (material + labor) up to a maximum of \$750:
    - Insulation
    - Air sealing
    - Duct sealing, insulating, and repair
    - Water heater blanket

Health and safety measures completed at the home do not qualify for the incentive and documentation required from a CAA must adhere to the program guidelines. Quality assurance sampling will be conducted by the owner-member at a rate of ten percent (10%).

**LOST REVENUE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS**

The owner-member will receive a transfer payment of \$600 to cover lost revenue and \$100 to cover its administrative cost.

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**Term**

The program is an ongoing program.

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