#### **NYSERDA Programs and Incentives**

**Municipal Customers** 



# NYSERDA Introduction & Updates







# What is NYSERDA?

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

A non-for-profit public benefits corporation created in 1975

SBC

Serves all sectors – residential, low-income, small business, commercial



Promotes energy awareness, efficiency, and alternative resources

Funded by the System Benefits Charge (SBC) from utility bills across the state

kW

You and your residents have paid into the SBC since 1998!





# What is NYSERDA?

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

#### Mission

Advance innovative energy solutions in ways that improve New York's economy and environment.

#### Vision

To serve as a catalyst – advancing energy innovation and technology, transforming New York's economy, empowering people to choose clean and efficient energy as part of their everyday lives.





# What is NYSERDA?

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

#### Responsibilities

Financing energy-related projects that reduce costs for ratepayers.

Conducting energy and environmental research and development program.

Making energy more affordable for residential households.

Helping industries, schools, hospitals, municipalities, notprofits, and the residential sector, including income eligible residents, implement energy efficiency measures.

Providing energy analysis and planning to guide energy decisions.





# Why Energy Efficiency?

Identify equipment that needs to be upgraded – newer equipment has higher efficiency ratings so it lasts longer and uses less energy

Maximize your equipment investment – reduce emergency repairs or sudden replacements

Save money! Using energy efficient equipment will use less energy and save you money on your utility bills







# NYSERDA Programs

# Commercial and Industrial

FlexTech
Benchmarking Pilot
Existing Facilities

Pre-qualified Incentives

Performance-based Incentives

New Construction
Business Partners

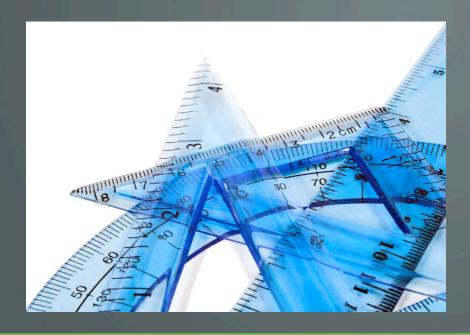






# **NYSERDA Programs and Incentives**

# FlexTech Program



Gauge current energy usage and identify areas for improvement.





# Goals

Be familiar with:

The three types of energy assessment programs available for existing commercial buildings

How to apply for these programs





# Commercial Energy Assessments

Tells the customer:

What to upgrade or replace right away

What new equipment to plan to buy when ready to make an upgrade



Courtesy blog.makezine.com





# FlexTech

Assessments on where to reduce energy costs with:

Building envelope – windows, doors, insulation Heating and cooling equipment Lighting

FlexTech is the more comprehensive approach:

Machinery
Processing
Refrigeration
Heat recovery





# FlexTech Study

# Provides comprehensive, customized cost-shared energy studies

- Engineering feasibility and technical assistance studies
- Detailed analyses of specific energy projects
- Coincident peak-load reduction
- Process improvement studies
- Implementation assistance
- Energy operations management
- Computer-assisted building modeling
- Sustainable design and green building assistance

50% Cost-Sharing up to \$1,000,000 per project





# Benchmarking Pilot

# Energy Benchmarking and onsite assessments for facilities using the EPA Portfolio Manager

- Facilities with 50,000 SF or greater
- Provides the first \$7,000 of assistance per building
- Additional assistance over \$7,000 will be cost shared
   50% by the applicant and NYSERDA
- Use a NYSERDA FlexTech consultant or your own





# **Energy Audit**

Facilities with an average electric demand of 100kW or less are eligible to participate in this program.

Sector Energy Audit Fee

Small Business & Non-Profit: FREE

State or Local Gov't:

10 employees or less \$100 Greater than 10 \$400

Note: Audit Fee is refundable if audit-recommended measures are implemented.





# Sample Energy Audit

Measure	Cost	Annual Savings	Demand Savings (in kW)	Electric Savings (kWh)	Fuel Savings ( mBTU )	Pay back (years)
UPGRADE FLUORESCENT LIGHTS	\$8,293	\$1,754	3.1	15,291	-34.8	4.9
REPLACE BULBS WITH CFLs	\$7,798	\$11,289	24.1	83,921	-179.1	0.7
INSTALL HIGH EFFICIENCY A/Cs – by attrition	\$35,000	\$5,892	40.0	18,127	0.0	5.9
INSTALL VENDING MISERS	\$179	\$569	0.0	3,798	0.0	0.0





# Existing Facilities Program & Pre-Qualified Incentives

efficient investments to help increase your bottom line.





# **Existing Facilities**

NYSERDA's Existing Facilities Program provides incentives for high efficient measures and technologies

Pre-Qualified Incentives (\$30,000 cap) "Rebates" for energy efficient equipment

Performance Based Incentives (\$2,000,000 cap)

Available for emerging technologies that can demonstrate verifiable energy savings

Gas incentives are only available to National Fuel Gas customers who use less than 12,000 Mcf annually.





# Pre-Qualified Incentives

Purchase and install more **energy-efficient equipment** for small-sized energy projects and equipment replacement projects

Incentives are available on a \$/unit basis for Pre-Qualified energy efficiency measures

Applicants can receive up to \$60,000 in Pre-Qualified Incentives (\$30,000 – Electric, \$30,000 – Natural Gas) per Facility per calendar year

Gas incentives remain available for National Fuel Gas customers who use less than 12,000 Mcf annually





# **Pre-Qualified Incentives**

Pre-Qualified incentives are available for:

Lighting
HVAC
Motors
Chillers
Meters
VFDs







# **Business Partners**

Designed to promote the purchase and installation of energy efficient products and services by working with trade allies (Partners).

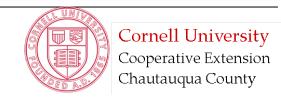
Building and systems contractors, distributors, vendors, designers and ESCOs.

Gain access to special training, tools, guidelines and performance incentives. Differentiate their businesses in a highly competitive marketplace, while assuring quality, proving vital to the growth of the energy efficiency industry.

The Business Partners Program is an integration of three prior programs:
Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning
Lighting
Motor Systems

http://www.nyserda.org/programs/hvac





# Locate a Partner

# www.getenergysmart.com On left sidebar:

- click on Resources
- click Find a Partner
- click HVAC Business
   Partners
- click your county







### **KEY REMINDERS**

- A customer has up to 90 days to submit an application for a pre-qualified incentive.
- 2. If a commercial measure is labeled ENERGY STAR<sup>TM</sup>, it may or may not qualify for a NYSERDA incentive.
- 3. Pre-qualified incentive applications require a general application and a form for the specific **measure**, **a cut sheet**, **a receipt**, and a recent **electric bill**.
- 4. Key NYSERDA commercial programs are all of these New Construction Program, Flex Tech Program, Existing Facilities Program
- 5. NYSERDA energy audits assess Lighting, Windows, Insulation, Heating, Cooling and Building Envelope





#### **NYSERDA Programs and Incentives**

# NYSERDA Performance-Based Commercial Incentives



Package multiple energy efficiency projects to earn higher incentives.





# Goals

Be familiar with:

How NYSERDA performance-based incentives work

Project strategies and ideas to apply for performance-based incentives





# Existing Facilities Program

#### Performance-based:

Meant for larger, comprehensive projects

Requires analysis to show forecasted annual savings

Incentives based on annual savings per kW, kWh, or BTU

\$30,000 minimum incentive amount required – varying maximums

May require pre- and post-project verification





# Performance-Based Incentives – Types

#### **Primary types**

Electric efficiency – Reduce electric use

Upstate: 12 cents/kWh

Gas efficiency – Only for National Fuel customers that use less than 12,000

Mcf annually

#### **Others**

Energy storage – Store energy for use during peak load hours

Combined heat/power – Generate own power

Demand response – Participation in demand response programs

Industrial and process efficiency – increase efficiency for manufacturing or data processing

Monitoring-based commissioning – continuous commissioning programs





# Performance-Based Incentives-Eligibilities

Upstate utility customers who pay the System Benefits Charge on their utility delivery bill

Electric and gas incentives – NGRID, NYSEG, RG&E, CHG&E

Gas incentives – now only available for National Fuel Gas customers that use less than 12,000 Mcf annually

Bear in mind...

Municipal electric customers not eligible: ex. Solvay, Madison

Third party energy service companies do not matter:

Eligibility based on the utility distribution company only





# Performance-Based Incentives Technologies

- 1. At least ENERGY STAR labeled or better
- 2. Lighting specific rules for fluorescent and LED
- 3. Motors NEMA premium efficiency motors
- 4. HVAC Must exceed ASHRAE 90.1 2007 by 2% OR pre-qualified HVAC eligibilities, whichever is the most stringent test
- 5. Custom projects contact NYSERDA to discuss





## Performance-Based Incentives –

# Pre-Project Process

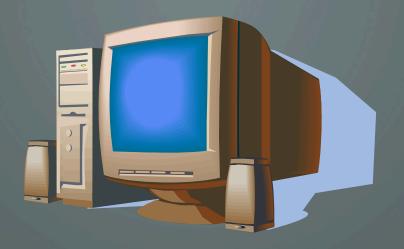
- 1. Complete and submit required documentation:
  - a) General application
  - b) Proposed equipment specifications
  - c) Preliminary calculations that show savings forecast
- 2. NYSERDA evaluates project; notifies applicant for needed info if necessary; issues approval
- 3. Submit an engineering analysis
- 4. NYSERDA reviews analysis and conducts preinstallation inspection; notifies Applicant to proceed





# Performance Based:

Compete and submit all required applications and materials AT LEAST **90 days BEFORE projects start!** 



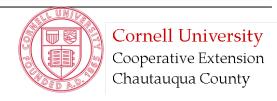




# **Application and Attachments**







# General Application

http://nyworks.ny.gov

Click Consolidated Funding Application

#### Use for:

- Existing Facilities Program
- New Construction Program
- FlexTech Program including Energy Audits and Benchmarking





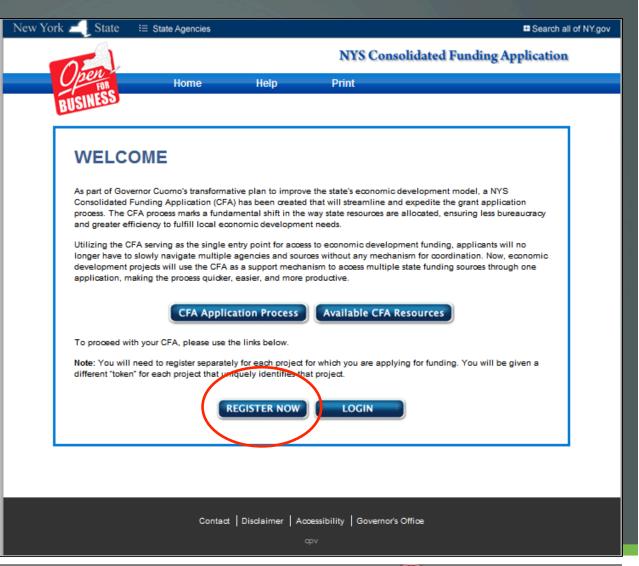


# Register Your Project

Click Register Now to register your project and proceed with the application process

Click CFA

Application Process
for a complete
application guide



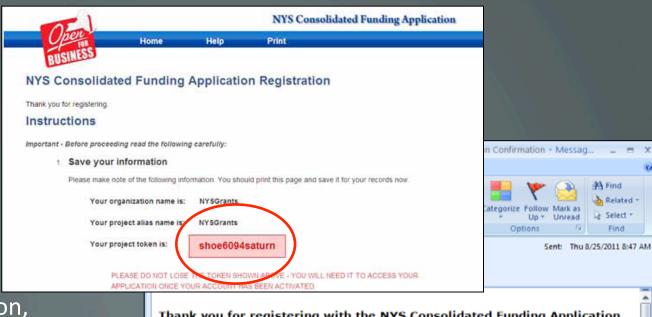




# Next Steps

Once you've entered the registration information, you'll receive a project token and an email with a link to activate your account.

Your registration is now complete and you can login to start the application process.



#### Thank you for registering with the NYS Consolidated Funding Application.

Please retain a copy of this email.

#### Your Application Number is xxxx

Business Name: CMSBL

Baseball Field3 Project Name:

Email Address: myemail@findme.com

#### IMPORTANT

To continue the process you must use the following link:

You will need to login using the email address shown above and the token displayed when you first registered.

CLICK HERE TO ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT





# Application

- Answer general questions about your business, your project and your budget.
- Once you've answered all of the required questions on the application, save it, and click FINALIZE.
- You can then complete and submit supporting documentation, such as measure worksheets, utility bills, and spec sheets.





# "Please Acknowledge"

You will be asked to acknowledge that your application is complete and ready for submission. Once submitted, you can no longer make changes to your application.

#### Please Acknowledge

PLEASE NOTE: BY CLICKING THE BUTTON BELOW YOU WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO MODIFY OR AMEND YOUR APPLICATION.

BY CLICKING HERE, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MY APPLICATION IS COMPLETE AND READY FOR SUBMISSION

Receive confirmation email that your application has been submitted, receive follow up from NYSERDA within 2 days.





#### Pre-Qualified Commercial Refrigeration **MySer**



# PQ Measure Worksheets



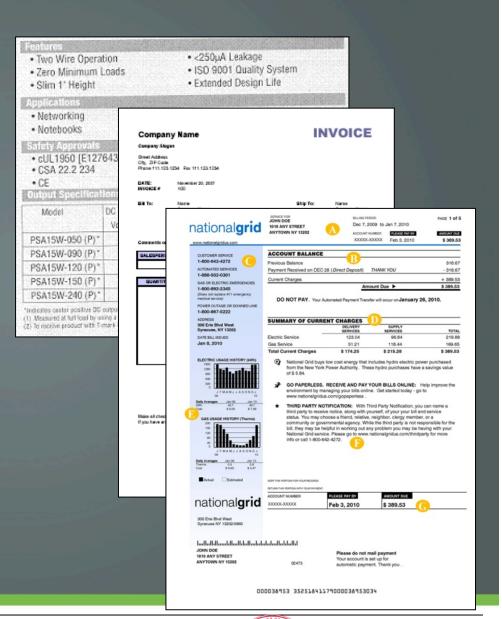




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# Pre-Qualified Attachments

- Spec sheet of each product type submitted
- Copy of receipt that has the manufacturer and model number
- ONE copy of any recent electric bill







#### Renewables Overview

**On-site Technologies:** 

Photovoltaic: Most mature and applicable technology

Solar thermal: Effective if hot water load is used

Wind: Cost and site placement considerations

**Purchases:** 

"Green Power" ESCOs as a supplier choice







#### Renewables Overview

For each renewable type:

General fit for commercial uses

Current Funding Program Opportunity

Notice (PON) available

Resources for further research





# **Energy Efficiency is First**

Bear in mind:

Poor efficiency costs you as much whether you get power from the utility or make it yourself

An optimized, efficient building means you pay for a smaller renewable OR your renewable system covers MORE of your use

The *cleanest*, *greenest* kilowatt ever heeded is the one never needed





# Other programs

AFV - Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program

Water/Wastewater water@nyserda.org
Self-help checklists
Water and Wastewater Benchmarking
Payback Analysis Tools

Case Studies are online:

North Tonawanda (Flex Tech Study)

\$711,000 capital cost with a 4 year payback





# Photovoltaic (PV)

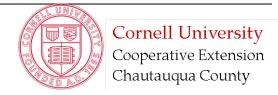












# Photovoltaic (PV)

#### Initial considerations:

Are all electric efficiencies satisfied in the building? Plenty of southern sun exposure?

Funding Source: NYSERDA PON 2112 – "Solar PV Program Financial Incentives"

Grid-connected systems only

Applications submitted through an eligible installer; incentives paid to installer and passed through to owner

Information will be provided on building benchmarking and energy efficiency

System size must match building load not to exceed 110% of the demand – max. 50 kW/site for commercial 25 kW for Not for Profits Incentives start at \$1.75/watt for all customers





# Solar Thermal







#### Solar Thermal

Initial considerations:

Significant, consistent hot water use? Plenty of southern sun exposure?

Funding Source: **NYSERDA PON 2149** – "Solar Thermal Incentive Program"

To off-set up to 80% of electrically-heated domestic hot water only; small funding available for gas, oil, or propane customers

Not applicable for heating water for pools

Applications submitted through an eligible installer; incentives paid to installer and passed through to owner

Information will be provided on building benchmarking and energy efficiency

Incentives are \$1.50 per kWh or mmBTU equivalent Incentive cap of \$25,000 per site/meter for non-residential





# Wind





#### Wind

Initial considerations:

Steady, significant wind patterns?
Site issues – codes, view sheds, height

Funding: NYSERDA PON 2097 – "On-Site Wind Turbine Program"

For grid-connected customers to off-set utility purchases

Applications submitted through an eligible installer; incentives paid to installer and passed through to owner

Information will be provided on building benchmarking and energy efficiency

Incentive cap of 50% project cost up to\$400K, maximum size of 600 kW





# Beginner Steps

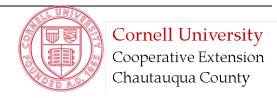
**RESEARCH first** 

TALK to one or more eligible installers for initial assessments and recommendations

REVIEW your potential costs and benefits

COMPARE and CONSIDER first what a \$1 worth of energy efficiency upgrades will save you versus \$1 worth of new renewable systems





#### Research Links

ALL Renewables:

NYSERDA's Power Naturally website:

www.PowerNaturally.org

Solar Thermal and PV:

NYSERDA Clean Power Estimator: http://

nyserda.cleanpowerestimator.com/nyserda.htm

Wind:

Wind Potential Estimator: http://nyswe.awstruepower.com





# **Funding Links**

NYSERDA PON 2112 – Photovoltaic http://www.nyserda.org/funding/2112pon.asp

NYSERDA PON 2149 – Solar Thermal http://www.nyserda.org/funding/2149pon.asp

NYSERDA PON 2097 – On-Site Wind Turbine http://www.nyserda.org/funding/2097pon.asp





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