

# Ready to get your rebate?

## Follow these simple steps.

This application is for projects completed between January 1, 2026 and December 31, 2026. Pre-approval is not required for this prescriptive program. Rebates are available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more detailed information, refer to the Terms and Conditions included with this application.

### Annual Member Rebate Cap

Annual member rebate caps apply. To learn more about the caps for your co-op, visit [michigan-energy.org](http://michigan-energy.org) and select your cooperative for more information.

### Step 1 Determine Eligibility

Equipment must be new (used equipment is not allowed) and installed in a commercial, industrial, or farm facility that is an electric member of a participating MECA electric cooperative, as well as meet minimum requirements set forth in this document. Projects must result in reduced electric energy usage due to improvement in the system efficiency. Projects involving efficient electrification (fuel switching to electricity from site use of fossil fuel) may be permitted if the project 1) reduces total annual site energy consumption; and 2) results in reduced greenhouse gas emissions from energy use over the life of the electrification measure. Equipment must operate a minimum of 1,500 hours per year unless otherwise specified. Applications with fewer hours may use the custom program. Rebates for prescriptive measures may not exceed 75 percent of the total project cost, unless otherwise specified.

### Step 2 Install Equipment

After ensuring your project will qualify, purchase and install the equipment. New equipment must be installed and old equipment removed. Only new products that are exact product types listed in this form are eligible for prescriptive rebates.

### Step 3 Submit Application

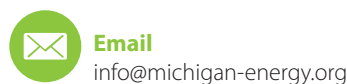
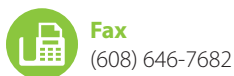
Application must be submitted with complete information within six months of project completion or by December 31, 2026, whichever is earlier. Application must include:

- An IRS Form W-9 for payee (or completed Section 5 on page 2 of this application).
- The entire completed application, including the completed rebate worksheets and the signed member information page.
- Itemized invoices from the installing contractor(s) and/or vendor(s) for the project. Invoices must include a separate line item for each rebate measure, as well as the date, quantity, unit cost, size, type, make, and model of installed items, and labor costs, if applicable.
- Specification/data sheets for all equipment for which a rebate is requested.

### Step 4 Payment

Once completed paperwork is submitted, your final application will be reviewed and processed for payment. Rebate payments are usually mailed within six to eight weeks.

### Submit your documents one of three ways:



**SECTION 1: Co-op Member Information (please print)****2026 Energy Optimization Application**

Co-op Member Name (as shown on your electric utility bill):			
Co-op Member Mailing Address:	City:	State:	ZIP:

**SECTION 2: Job Site Information**

Job Site Name (if different than member name):	Project Contact Person Name:		
Project Contact Telephone: <input type="checkbox"/> Home/Office Number <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Number	Project Contact Email:		
Job Site Street Address (physical location):	City:	State: MI	ZIP:
Electric Utility Company at Job Site:	Electric Utility Acct #:	Project Completion Date:	
What is the predominant use of the building space where equipment was installed? (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Office <input type="checkbox"/> Retail <input type="checkbox"/> Warehouse <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant <input type="checkbox"/> Grocery/Supermarket <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing <input type="checkbox"/> Lodging <input type="checkbox"/> School: K-12 <input type="checkbox"/> School: College <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare facility <input type="checkbox"/> Farm (commercial meter) <input type="checkbox"/> Farm (residential meter) <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Miscellaneous _____			

**SECTION 3: Trade Ally (Contractor) Information**

Trade Ally Name (or indicate if self install):	Trade Ally Contact Person Name:		
Trade Ally Telephone:	Contact Email:		
Trade Ally Mailing Address:	City:	State:	ZIP:

**SECTION 4: Payee and Mailing Address**

Make Rebate Check Payable to (payee): <input type="checkbox"/> Co-op Member <input type="checkbox"/> Landlord <input type="checkbox"/> Trade Ally or other third party (See <i>Third-Party Payees</i> section of Terms and Conditions for details.)			
Mail Check to: <input type="checkbox"/> Co-op Member Mailing Address (entered at top of this page) <input type="checkbox"/> Job Site Address <input type="checkbox"/> Payee W-9 Address <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate Pay Address (complete below)			
Alternate Pay Address (if checked above):	City:	State:	ZIP:
<b>ONLY IF</b> rebate is being made payable to a third-party landlord or trade ally per check box above, the co-op member must confirm this rebate reassignment arrangement by signing below: I, the co-op member, am authorizing reassignment of the rebate payment to the third-party payee named herein (in Section 5 below or payee IRS Form W-9), and I understand that I will not be receiving the rebate payment. I also understand that my release to a third-party does not exempt me from the program requirements outlined in the Terms and Conditions.			
Co-op Member Signature: /s/	Print Name:	Title:	Date:

**SECTION 5: Payee IRS Form W-9 Information** (Submit IRS Form W-9 for payee OR fill out this section completely - not both. This section may be omitted only if IRS Form W-9 for payee is submitted.)

Payee Legal Name (as shown on income tax return):	Payee Business Name (if different than payee legal name):		
Payee Legal Address:	City:	State:	ZIP:
Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Other tax exempt organization or govt. agency <input type="checkbox"/> LLC - Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = partnership): _____ Note: For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.			
Payee Tax Identification Number (TIN) (Complete ONE only. Must match payee legal name above.) FEIN #: _____ - _____ OR SSN: _____ - _____ - _____			
Certification: The following certifications are required in order for this form to substitute for the IRS Form W-9. Under penalties of perjury, I certify that: 1. The payee's TIN is correct. 2. The payee is not subject to backup withholding due to failure to report interest and dividend income. 3. The payee is a U.S. citizen. The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid backup withholding.			
Payee Signature: /s/	Print Name:	Title:	Date:

**SECTION 6: Co-op Member Signature (please read and sign)**

The undersigned agrees that the stated energy-efficient measure(s) was (were) installed at the job site address listed above as part of the Energy Optimization program. I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions within this application. I agree to verification of equipment installation, which may include a site inspection by a program or utility representative. I understand that I am not allowed to receive more than one rebate from this program on any individual piece of equipment. I hereby agree to indemnify, hold harmless, and release the utility and program administrator from any actions or claims in regard to the installation, operation, and disposal of equipment (and related materials) covered herein, including liability from any incidental or consequential damages. To the best of my knowledge, the statements made on this application are complete, true, and correct, and I have submitted the appropriate supporting documentation to receive a rebate. I have elected to utilize electronic signatures. I understand and intend that a legal signature is formed by typing my name on this document. If any of the parties do not wish to sign this document electronically, all must opt out together and print a paper copy to sign manually.

Co-op Member Signature: /s/	Print Name:	Title:	Date:
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## General Requirements

- The specifications for eligible equipment are listed within each technology on this form. If the technology you are installing is specified differently than how it is listed on this form, call to verify eligibility. Custom rebates are available for many technologies not listed. Replacements are one-for-one unless specified. Replaced equipment must be removed from service.
- All projects must comply with all applicable electrical, safety, and energy codes.
- Rebate will not exceed 75 percent of total project cost, unless otherwise specified.

## General Lighting and Non-Lighting Equipment

- Refer to the Business Lighting, Business Non-Lighting, and Compressed Air application forms for measures that are not unique to farms.

## Dairy Equipment

Measure	Rebate Per Unit	Quantity	Total Rebate
<b>Variable Speed Controller for Milk Vacuum Pump*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be blower type vacuum pump.</li> <li>Limit one rebate per milking parlor.</li> <li>Pump(s) Horsepower: Pump #1: _____ Pump #2 (if multiple pumps): _____.</li> </ul>	\$50 per horsepower (HP)		\$
<b>Milk Pre-cooler Heat Exchanger*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New pre-cooler installations only (not for replacing existing).</li> <li>Must be plate-type heat exchanger.</li> <li>Please provide average daily milk production: _____ pounds per day.</li> </ul>	\$500 per heat exchanger or \$0.10 per lb milk/day, whichever is higher		\$
<b>Variable Speed Drive on Milk Pump*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Installation of VSD must accompany plate-type milk pre-cooler.</li> <li>Pre-cooler may be installed at the same time as the VSD.</li> <li>Please provide average daily milk production: _____ pounds per day.</li> </ul>	VSD on Milk Pump with Existing Milk Pre-Cooler: \$500 or \$0.05 per lb milk/day, whichever is higher		\$
	VSD on Milk Pump with New Milk Pre-Cooler: \$750 or \$0.08 per lb milk/day, whichever is higher		\$
<b>Scroll Compressor for Dairy Refrigeration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scroll replacing reciprocating compressor only.</li> <li>Pre-cooler heat exchanger installed? (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</li> <li>Please provide average daily milk production: _____ pounds per day.</li> </ul>	\$250 or \$0.04 per lb milk/day, whichever is higher		\$
<b>Dairy Refrigeration Tune-up</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rebates are available for tune-ups only once per 24-month period with the intention of reducing electricity consumption.</li> <li>This rebate is only eligible for commercial-grade on-farm dairy refrigeration equipment.</li> <li>A dairy refrigeration tune-up checklist must be completed by the service provider for each unit serviced and submitted with invoice detailing the work performed and how many units were serviced. Suggested tune-up checklist available upon request.</li> <li>Please provide average daily milk production: _____ pounds per day.</li> </ul>	\$150 per system or \$0.015 per lb milk/day, whichever is higher. Rebate will not exceed 100% of service cost.		\$
* Eligible for new construction projects.			

### Ventilation and Irrigation Equipment

Measure	Rebate Per Unit	Quantity	Total Rebate
<b>Exhaust Fan or Circulation Fan*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum 36 inch fan blade diameter.</li> <li>Fans should be tested by either BESS Lab or AMCA Lab.</li> <li>Fans must be designed for agricultural or industrial use.</li> </ul>	36-47 inch fan blade diameter: \$50 per fan		\$
	≥48 inch fan blade diameter: \$100 per fan		\$
<b>High Volume Low Speed Fan (HVLS)*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replacing high-speed fans for air circulation in livestock facilities.</li> </ul>	16 to <20ft fan blade diameter: \$250 per fan		\$
	20 to < 22ft fan blade diameter: \$500 per fan		\$
	≥ 22ft fan blade diameter: \$800 per fan		\$
<b>Fan Thermostat Controls*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For replacement of manual controls on permanently mounted agricultural fans. Replacement of existing thermostat fan controls does not qualify.</li> <li>Controller must have thermostat to disable fan when outside air temperature drops below a pre-set temperature.</li> </ul>	\$100 per fan controlled		\$
<b>Variable Speed Drive on Agricultural or Golf Course Irrigation Pump*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qualifying irrigation systems include: a) several center pivots served by one well; b) corner arm center pivot where water flow rate increases when the corner arms swing out toward the corners of the fields; c) center pivot with intermittent end gun; or d) golf course irrigation system. Other proposed VFD irrigation system applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.</li> <li>Replacement of existing VFDs does not qualify. VFDs on redundant or back-up pumps do not qualify.</li> </ul>	\$25 per pump HP		\$

\* Eligible for new construction projects.

### Specialty Agricultural LED Lighting

Type	Specification	Rebate Per Unit	Watts Reduced (use table below to calculate Watts)	Total Rebate (Rebate Per Unit x Watts Reduced)		
<b>LED Poultry Light*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>LED light must provide the suitable wavelength to benefit specific poultry production (i.e., broiler, brooder, and layer production).</li></ul>	Lights operate >3,600 hrs/yr	\$0.40 per Watt reduced		\$		
<b>Long-Day Lighting System Retrofit for Livestock Barn</b>		Apply for Custom Rebate				
Existing Fixtures	New Fixtures	Pre		Post		Total Watts Reduced = (A x B) - (C x D)
Provide brief description. Example: "1,000W MH poultry light"	Provide brief description. Example: "80W LED poultry light"	# of Fixtures (A)	Watts/Fixture (B)	# of Fixtures (C)	Watts/Fixture (D)	
The Watts/Fixture value refers to the fixture input wattage, not just the bulb wattage. If more room is needed in this table, please provide a spreadsheet.						
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### Indoor Agriculture

This section is for indoor agriculture grow facilities, including cannabis, that operate year-round.

- Photosynthetic Photon Efficacy (PPE)  $\geq 1.9 \mu\text{mol/J}$  and Power Factor  $\geq 0.9$  required.
- New lighting must be UL, ETL, or CSA listed with a minimum lifetime of 36,000 hours and minimum warranty of 5 years.
- HVAC reduction requires mechanical cooling year-round; must not have previously had free cooling and must have new grow lights.
- Grow lights must operate minimum 4,000 hours per year to qualify.

NEW Facility Agricultural Grow Lighting (for new construction, expansion, or gut/rehab renovation)					
Measure	LED Fixture Model Number	LED Fixture Wattage	Quantity of Fixtures	Rebate per Watt installed	Total Rebate
LED Grow Light: > 4,000 operating hours/yr				\$0.25	\$
				\$0.25	\$
				\$0.25	\$
				\$0.25	\$
LED Grow Light: > 6,000 operating hours/yr				\$0.40	\$
				\$0.40	\$
				\$0.40	\$
				\$0.40	\$

EXISTING Facility Agricultural Grow Lighting Retrofit & HVAC Load Reduction				
Measure	Specification	Rebate Rate per Lighting Watt Reduced	Watts Reduced (use table below to calculate watts)	Total Rebate
LED Grow Light	> 4,000 operating hours/yr	\$0.30		\$
LED Grow Light	> 6,000 operating hours/yr	\$0.45		\$
HVAC Load Reduction due to Conversion to LED Lighting (Measure available for both retrofit AND new construction projects. For new construction, use a comparable output HID baseline to determine Watts Reduced.)		\$0.10		\$

Watts Reduction Calculation Table						
Existing Fixtures	New Fixtures	Pre		Post		Total Watts Reduced = (A x B) - (C x D)
Provide brief description. Example: 1,000W MH grow light.	Provide brief description. Example: 80W LED grow light	# of Fixtures (A)	Watts/Fixture (B)	# of Fixtures (C)	Watts/Fixture (D)	

The Watts/Fixture value refers to the fixture input wattage, not just the bulb wattage. If more room is needed in this table, please provide a spreadsheet.

Indoor Horticultural Grow Facility Dehumidification (for new construction or retrofit)			
Measure	Total Pint/Day Capacity	Rebate per Pint/Day	Total Rebate
<b>Dehumidification of Indoor Horticultural Grow Facilities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dehumidification unit must have an Energy Factor of 2.80 L/kWh or greater and have a capacity greater than 155 pints/day.</li> <li>• Dehumidifier must be used in an indoor horticultural grow room that operates year-round.</li> <li>• Greenhouse installations do not qualify.</li> </ul>		\$0.75	\$

### Indoor Agriculture continued

Energy Recovery Ventilator (ERV) for Indoor Agriculture Facility (for new construction or retrofit)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ERV must provide enthalpy-based energy recovery to transfer energy between air streams.</li> <li>ERV must have minimum total effectiveness of 70% at highest rated volume flow rate (CFM).</li> <li>Area served must be mechanically cooled (air conditioned).</li> <li>ERV must have minimum flow rate of 250 CFM.</li> </ul>	Cooling Capacity of Air Conditioning System Served by the ERV	Rebate per Ton	Total Rebate
	_____ tons	\$80	\$

### Miscellaneous Equipment

Measure	Rebate Per Unit	Quantity	Total Rebate
<b>Variable Speed Drive on Agricultural Pump or Fan*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VFDs installed on irrigation or HVAC systems do not qualify for this rebate but may qualify for other rebate measures.</li> <li>Applicant must provide a summary statement explaining: a) what the motor is used for; b) motor's annual run time; c) how the motor is currently controlled; and d) proposed motor VFD control method.</li> <li>The installation of a VFD must accompany the permanent removal or disabling of any throttling devices such as inlet vanes, bypass dampers, bypass valves, or throttling valves.</li> <li>Redundant or back-up units do not qualify. Replacement of existing VFDs does not qualify.</li> <li>VFD speed must be automatically controlled by differential pressure, flow, temperature, or other variable signal. Units installed only to allow soft starts are not eligible.</li> <li>The system controlled must have significant load diversity that will result in savings through motor speed variation.</li> <li>Agricultural pumps or fans utilizing variable speed ECM motor technology may also qualify for this measure.</li> <li>Well pumps and irrigation pumps may not use the two process pump measures.</li> </ul>	Agricultural fan operating 750-2,000 hrs/yr: \$30 per HP controlled		\$
	Agricultural fan operating >2,000 hrs/yr: \$60 per HP controlled		\$
	Agricultural process pump operating 750-2,000 hrs/yr: \$30 per HP controlled		\$
	Agricultural process pump operating >2,000 hrs/yr: \$75 per HP controlled		\$
	Well pump (non-irrigation) operating >2,000 hrs/yr: \$35 per HP controlled		\$
<b>Low-energy Livestock Waterer or Fountain*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Equipment must be replacing waterer with heating elements.</li> <li>Minimum average two-inch insulation.</li> <li>Maximum combined heating element power of 250 Watts (units &gt;250 W may be eligible for custom rebate).</li> <li>Energy-free units must be installed per manufacturer's requirements with a 12 inch-I.D. heat well that extends &gt;1 foot below normal frost line.</li> </ul>	\$100		\$
<b>Grain Storage Temperature &amp; Moisture Management Controller*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For replacement of manual aeration fan controls. Replacement of existing temperature/moisture management controller does not qualify.</li> <li>New system must consist of multiple sensors within the grain storage bin. Outdoor air temperature and relative humidity must also be monitored.</li> <li>Data sensors must be digital; analog sensors do not qualify.</li> </ul>	\$30 per fan HP		\$
<b>Timer for Engine Block Heater*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Timer must be outdoor rated or cold weather resistant.</li> <li>Timer should be set to turn on heater no more than 2 hours prior to engine start-up time.</li> <li>Timer should contain a thermostat that turns off heater if ambient air temperature is warmer than a pre-set temperature.</li> <li>Timer must be UL, ETL, or CSA listed and rated for 15 amps or greater (or as needed for the heater).</li> <li>Using a timer for uses other than controlling an engine block heater does not qualify for this prescriptive rebate, but may qualify for a custom rebate. Call for information.</li> </ul>	\$20		\$
<b>Farm Energy Audit</b>	\$500		\$
<b>Total Agribusiness Rebate:</b> (limited to 75 percent of project cost unless otherwise specified)			\$

\* Eligible for new construction projects.

**REBATE OFFER:** Projects must be implemented (completed) between January 1, 2026 and December 31, 2026. Complete application must be submitted no later than December 31, 2026. Projects must result in reduced electric energy usage due to improvement in the system efficiency. Reduced electric use resulting from peak shaving, demand limiting, power generation, renewable energy (including solar PV and wind), or operating schedule changes will not qualify. This application form is for facilities with a commercial or industrial electric meter or rate code. Farms with a residential or commercial meter may also apply. Other businesses with a residential meter must use the residential programs.

**COMPLIANCE:** a) All projects must comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, and building codes. b) All equipment must be new or retrofitted with new components per the program specifications. Used equipment is not eligible for rebates. Leased equipment must receive pre-approval BEFORE project initiation or entering into the equipment lease. Existing equipment must be permanently disconnected or removed and not reused elsewhere. c) New equipment must meet specification requirements. d) For prescriptive programs, new equipment must be operational when the application is submitted. e) Only one rebate will be granted for each project. f) Members may submit multiple projects in a calendar year; however, the rebate totals may not exceed the annual rebate cap without utility authorization. g) New construction projects will be considered with prior review and authorization. Note that the measures and rebates listed on the application form are typically intended for retrofit projects; not all measures listed may be available for new construction projects. h) If the project is in a leased building, the term of the lease must be at least three (3) years and a copy of the lease may be requested. i) Up to 24 months of utility usage information may be requested.

**DELIVERY:** Applications must be delivered via mail to Energy Optimization Programs, 431 Catalyst Way, Madison, WI 53719, emailed to [info@michigan-energy.org](mailto:info@michigan-energy.org), or faxed to (608) 646-7682.

**PRESCRIPTIVE APPLICATIONS:** Pre-approval is not required for prescriptive rebates unless otherwise specified. However, a rebate will not be provided for projects or equipment that does not precisely meet the requirements provided on the prescriptive application form. Applications must have complete information and be submitted with the supporting documentation specified on the form instructions. Unless otherwise specified, rebates for prescriptive measures may not exceed 75 percent of the total project cost, including materials, sales tax, external labor (i.e. contracted labor), permits, equipment rental, and disposal.

**CUSTOM APPLICATIONS:** Pre-approval is strongly encouraged for all custom projects. If your project does not fit the descriptions on the standard prescriptive rebate application form, it may qualify for a custom rebate. Applications must have complete information and be submitted with the calculations and supporting documentation specified on the form instructions. Unless otherwise specified, rebates for custom measures may not exceed 75 percent of the total project cost, including materials, sales tax, external labor (i.e. contracted labor), permits, equipment rental, and disposal. Note: Internal labor (i.e. non-contracted labor) may not be included in the cost of the project.

**PAYMENT:** Once completed paperwork is submitted, rebate payments are usually mailed within six to eight weeks. Rebate payments are made by check, and may arrive in multiple checks. Incomplete applications will either delay payments or result in denial of application approval. MECA participating electric cooperatives reserve the right to refuse payment and participation if the member or trade ally violates program terms and conditions. The MECA participating electric cooperative must receive 100 percent of the energy savings for the rated life of the product(s) or for a period of three (3) years from receipt of rebate, whichever is less. If the project does not provide the energy savings, if the facility in which the installed projects are located closes or ceases operation within three (3) years from receipt of rebate, or if you cease to be a member of a MECA participating electric cooperative during the following three (3) years, you shall refund a prorated amount of rebate dollars based on the time installed.

**THIRD-PARTY PAYEES:** The member of a MECA participating electric cooperative may authorize payment of the rebate directly to a landlord, trade ally, or other third-party payee by selecting the appropriate box in Section 4 on page 2 of the application. If the co-op member chooses to reassign their rebate to a third-party, the member must sign the release in Section 4 and the third-party payee must be identified in the completed Section 5 or on the payee's IRS Form W-9. Program staff reserve the right to contact the member to confirm third-party payee requests.

**TRADE ALLY INFORMATION:** The term "trade ally" refers to the company or contractor who provides or installs equipment for the member of a MECA participating electric cooperative. If the project was completed by more than one trade ally (e.g., equipment was purchased from one trade ally but installed by another) and the rebate is being paid to the co-op member, enter the information of the trade ally who installed the equipment

in the Trade Ally (Contractor) Information section on page 2 of the application. Trade allies participating in the program must adhere to standards of acceptable business behavior and performance.

**INSPECTION:** Program staff reserve the right to conduct pre-inspections and post-inspections of proposed and installed projects. Some projects may require site verification or phone verification before the rebate will be processed.

**PUBLICITY:** Energy Optimization reserves the right to publicize your participation in this program, unless you specifically request otherwise.

**PROGRAM DISCRETION:** Rebates are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Rebate amounts and offerings are subject to change or termination without notice at the discretion of Energy Optimization.

**LOGO USE:** Members or trade allies may not use the MECA participating electric cooperative name or logo in any marketing, advertising, or promotional material without written permission.

**DISCLAIMERS:** Energy Optimization a) does not endorse any particular manufacturer, product, labor, or system design by offering these programs; b) will not be responsible for any tax liability imposed on the member as a result of the payment of rebates; c) does not expressly or implicitly warrant the performance of installed equipment or contractor's quality of work (contact your contractor for detailed warranties); d) is not responsible for the proper disposal/recycling of any waste generated as a result of this project; e) is not liable for any damage caused by the installation of the equipment or for any damage caused by the malfunction of the installed equipment; f) is not responsible for items (rebate applications, supporting documentation, and/or rebate checks) lost or damaged in the mail.

**ELIGIBILITY:** These rebates are offered only to members of participating MECA electric cooperatives with active electric service in Michigan without a negative balance. For questions regarding eligibility, email [info@michigan-energy.org](mailto:info@michigan-energy.org).

**INFORMATION RELEASE:** The member requests and authorizes MECA participating electric cooperative to release electric usage for the preceding 24 months to Energy Optimization program staff, in order to participate in the program. The authorization to release information expires automatically two (2) years after signature date. The member agrees that the Energy Optimization program and their contractors may include the member's name, address, electric account number, electric services, and resulting energy savings ("Information") in a database hosted by a contractor of the MECA participating electric cooperative program and such information may be included in reports or other documentation submitted to MECA participating electric cooperatives and their contractors and/or the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Reports"). Such parties will treat such Information as confidential and the Information in the Reports shall only be in the aggregate.

**RELEASE/INDEMNIFICATION:** Payment of rebates under the Energy Optimization program and/or evaluation of applications for rebates shall not deem the Energy Optimization program or any of its affiliates, employees, contractors, or agents ("Energy Optimization Parties") to be responsible for any work completed in connection herewith. The applicant fully releases Energy Optimization Parties from any and all claims it may have against Energy Optimization Parties in connection with this application, the rebates, or the work performed in connection with them. In addition, the applicant agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Energy Optimization Parties harmless from and against any and all claims, losses, demands, or lawsuits by any third parties arising in connection with this application, the payment or non-payment of rebates, or any work performed in connection with them. The member hereby releases MECA participating electric cooperatives from any and all liability arising from or connected with releasing the information to the Energy Optimization program set forth herein.

**NON-DISCLOSURE:** The Energy Optimization program agrees not to disclose project information, such as pricing, proprietary equipment specifications, or other intellectual property. Such information will be used by Energy Optimization program staff only for the purpose of validating and fulfilling rebate applications. Such information will not be shared outside of the Energy Optimization program.

**ANNUAL MEMBER REBATE CAP:** Rebates are available on a first-come, first-served basis; apply early. Rebate budgets are limited, therefore total annual rebate amount per member may be limited. For more information about existing member caps, visit [michigan-energy.org](http://michigan-energy.org). If a larger rebate amount is needed to enable your project to move forward, please call to request pre-approval prior to beginning your project.