ILLINOIS ENERGY NOW
New Program Application Available Soon


Important Dates
April 1, 2015: Last date to submit to DCEO new Pre-Approval Application.
May 8, 2015: Last date to submit to DCEO Final Application for completed projects (must have been pre-approved).

New Standard Measures
• Lighting: Multi-level Lighting Switching
• Lighting: Occupancy Controlled Bi-level Lighting Fixtures
• Lighting: Solar Light Tubes
• Lighting: Interior and Exterior Cold Cathode
• Lighting: Interior Induction
• Lighting: LED, Induction and Cold Cathode Exterior Lighting
• HVAC: Demand Control Ventilation
• Equipment: LED Traffic Signs now in Equipment
• Equipment: Compressed Air Low Pressure Drop Filters
• Equipment: Compressed Air No-Loss Condensate Drain

Standard Measures moving to Custom Incentive Program:
• Geothermal Heat Pumps and Variable Refrigerant Flow Heat Pumps
• Variable Speed Drives for non-HVAC applications

Specials
Sweet Deal: Bonus for work completed and final application submitted by the following dates:
10% by Oct. 31, 2014
5% by Feb. 14, 2015

DCEO Partner Bonus (details in newsletter)
15% by April 1, 2015

Custom Incentive Rates (unchanged)
• $0.12 per kWh
• $3.00 per Therm (note that if gas funds are depleted early in program year, this incentive will be decreased to $2.00 per Therm in 2015-2016)
• 1-7 year payback

New Energy Smart Tips
available now at www.sedac.org
• Places of Worship
• Libraries
• New Construction: Owner’s Guide
• New Construction: Envelope
• New Construction: HVAC
• New Construction: Lighting
NEW PUBLIC SECTOR BONUS
Illinois Energy Now Partner Bonus Coupon

New this year - DCEO partner bonus of **15%** offered to eligible public sector entities that participate in one of the Illinois Energy Now Partner programs listed below. The Partner Bonus Coupon submitted with the incentive application will increase by 15% the qualifying incentive provided by the Illinois Energy Now Public Sector Energy Efficiency (PSEE) Standard, Custom or Boiler Tune-up Programs.

- IL Energy Now Energy Audit or workshop attendance (SEDAC)
- IL Energy Now Trade Ally Event Attendance (ERC)
- IL Energy Now Direct Install participation (MEEA)

**CONDITIONS:**

- Program funds are reserved for your project after DCEO approves your Pre-Approval Application. PSEE incentives are only available as long as funds last.
- Projects must be 100% complete and Final Application must be received by DCEO between June 1, 2014 and April 1, 2015 at 5:00 PM.
- The qualifying PSEE incentive plus the Partner Bonus cannot exceed 86% of total project cost. Total project cost includes purchase and installation (including labor) of qualifying measures.
- PSEE incentives are eligible for either the Sweet Deal Bonus or DCEO Partner Bonus, not both.
- Only public entities are eligible to receive Partner Bonus Coupons. Coupons are not transferable.
- Each Partner Bonus Coupon can be applied to only one incentive application.
- All other program provisions and limitations apply.

SPOTLIGHT ON ENERGY SAVINGS

**Rock Springs Nature Center**

**Macon County Conservation District puts SEDAC Assessment into action**

The Rock Springs Nature Center (Macon County Conservation District) is only 22,000 square feet but that hasn't limited its ability to act on SEDAC's 2008 recommendations. Projects completed to date include demand control ventilation (photo at left), air sealing, lighting retrofits (occupancy sensor shown below), a furnace upgrade, and setback of thermostats at night. With all of these improvements, Rock Springs reduced its energy usage by over 19 percent. The Center now serves as an example to its visitors.

**In Their Words:**

“For years I looked at the utility bills for the Rock Springs Nature Center and assumed there was no way to control rising energy costs. SEDAC provided us with a solution through its free energy audit. Measures implemented from the audit are helping Macon County Conservation District use less energy resulting in significant cost savings!” – Paul Marien, Macon County Conservation District Operations Manager

**Installation Cost** $14,937
**Incentives Received** $3,036
**Cost After Incentives** $11,901
**Estimated Annual Energy Cost Savings** $5,400
**Simple Payback (years)** 2.2

Does your project deserve a shout-out? Contact holly@sedac.org

UTILITY PROGRAMS

For information on the 2014-2015 program year incentives, use the utility links below.

- ComEd Smart Ideas for your Business
- Ameren Illinois ActOnEnergy
- Nicor Gas energySMART
- Peoples Gas Natural Gas Savings Program
- North Shore Gas Natural Gas Savings Program