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Hi there,

2025 energy efficiency program details are emerging all across the country, and the biggest take-aways for folks are: buckle up, do your homework, be diligent, and don't stop until you see your project across the finish line.

The bad news is that there are signs are on the horizon that LED incentives will be coming to an end - at least in certain states. The good news is that, so far, most programs are keeping their programs steady. Michigan's DTE has even increased its customer bonus to 20%.

See the latest updates below.

And, as always, we are here for you if you have questions. Feel free to call/text Sam at 617-851-1491, or email at sam@climateresourcesgroup.com.

Happy growing!

New Program News

Federal/tribes: What will happen with federal incentives? Your guess is as good as ours. But until we hear otherwise, USDA REAP grants should still be approved. Cannabis projects are, of course, still off the table.

New Jersey: The NJ Clean Energy Program's current indoor horticultural incentive structure will last through June 2025. Still no word about program details after that point.

New York: All New York State utilities will end LED rebates after 2025. ConEd has already closed their LED program.

Oregon: Energy Trust of Oregon has released news about incentives for indoor horticultural projects. Not awesome news. Pacific Power temporarily closed horticultural lighting incentives in its territory, and Portland General Electric customers get these terms:

- * \$0.15 / kWh saved in Year 1 (a reduction by 25% from historical levels)
- * Per-fixture cap of \$350 (dropped from \$500)
- * Total incentive capped at 50% off the project cost (+ labor for retrofits)
- * Wattage used in calculations must be at full rated output
- * Under-canopy lighting is not eligible at this time.

Same ol' free money

Arizona: Incentives for APS, SRP, and TEP come in at around \$0.07 / kWh saved, up to 50% of project costs.

California: PGE's newest program explicitly excludes grow light projects, leaving a massive number of California growers without help upgrading from inefficient lighting. L.A.'s muni <u>LADWP</u> program is still there, and big winners will be those projects with fixtures with low Wattage, low costs, and high PPF.

Colorado: Because of unexpected exuberance for electricity-saving equipment in the first half of the year, Xcel is delaying rebate payments until later this year.

Connecticut: Eversource is expected to unveil a new payout schedule later this year, with 65% coming upon install and 35% after energy monitoring for two grow cycles. Otherwise, participating CT utilities pay \$0.40 / kWh; up to 95% of incremental costs.

Illinois: Decent incentives: \$0.16 / kWh, up to 80% of incremental cost. State energy codes limit adult-use cannabis grow light projects.

Indiana: Duke Energy territory offers \$0.075 per kWh +\$170 per summer peak kW; up to 75% of the project cost.

lowa: Ok. \$0.09 / kWh up to 50% of total project cost.

Maine: Solid program. \$0.28 / kWh up to 50% of total project cost.

Maryland: \$0.28 / kWh saved up to 50% of incremental cost. Great state programs for solar and other advanced energy complement traditional utility programs.

Massachusetts: LED incentives are actually holding steady, despite earlier concerns. New facilities with new natural gas hookups are ineligible for any electric incentives.

Michigan: Good news happening across the state.

- <u>DTE</u> offers incentives for LED under canopy lighting, paying out at \$0.22/W installed. 20% customer bonus currently active.
- Consumers is holding steady with decent incentives.
- <u>Lansing BWL's</u> retrofit lighting incentive is \$0.30 (flower) and \$0.45 (veg) / W reduced. 50% project cost cap up to \$75,000.

Minnesota: Xcel pays between \$1.06-\$1.33 per Watt of installed for indoor hort LEDs. Eligible facilities must be in an existing structure and have less than 8,000 sq. ft. in flowering and veg canopy combined.

Mississippi: Entergy (serving W. MS) offers \$0.25 per kWh saved annually, up to 75% of project cost.

Missouri: \$0.48 / Watt reduced, up to 100% of the incremental costs.

Nevada: NV Energy pays \$0.05 / kWh saved, up to 50% project costs.

New Hampshire: \$0.40/kWh saved, up to 35% of the project cost, or the amount required to buy the project down to a one-year payback.

New Mexico: The major utilities offer \$0.60 per watt reduced, up to 100% of the incremental cost.

Ohio: FirstEnergy Ohio suspended its program.

Oklahoma: Oklahoma City metro's OGE and Tulsa's PSO offer between 9-10 cents / kWh saved up to 70-75% of the incremental project costs.

Ontario: Prescriptive greenhouse lighting incentives worth \$150-\$200 per fixture.

Pennsylvania: Decent incentives: \$0.05 - 0.10 / kWh. up to 100% of equipment cost.

Quebec: HydroQuebec's indoor agriculture program accept applications for past installs of eligible grow light equipment, as long as that equipment was on the DLC QPL upon installation.

Rhode Island: Great incentives, though currently complicated by awful baseline energy study. \$0.35 / kWh. up to 100% of incremental cost.

Virginia: Flat \$1.50 per square foot of lit grow space.

Washington: Avista customers receive \$0.26 / kWh saved, paying up to 70% of project costs. Labor costs are included for retrofits.

Don't hesitate to reach out anytime to discuss a project - or <u>submit</u> <u>your project info here for a quote!</u>

Sustainably yours, Sam Milton



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