RESIDENTIAL NEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM APPLICATION

For newly constructed homes rated between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014

Thank you for participating in the Residential New Construction Program! Refer to the information below to ensure you are eligible for rebates and your application is complete.

Need help?
For assistance completing this form, call 1-800-721-7385 to speak with a program representative.

What you will need:

- A copy of the Home Energy Rating System (HERS) certificate (please keep the original for your records)
- Your account number

How to apply for a rebate

Step 1: Verify eligibility

☐ **Applicant**
The applicant must be a NIPSCO residential account holder.

☐ **Application and certification**
The application must be postmarked within 90 days of HERS certification.

☐ **Participation**
Rebates are only available for new construction of single family detached homes and duplexes.

☐ **System requirement**
Ground source heat pumps as well as dual-fuel systems, where a heat pump is used in conjunction with a gas furnace, are not eligible for rebates

Step 2: Complete application and attach invoices

☐ **Complete application**
Unless noted otherwise, all fields must be completed on the form to receive a rebate.

☐ **Sign application**
The application must be signed in the space provided on page 3 to receive a rebate.

☐ **Attach HERS certificate**
Ensure you have attached a copy of your HERS certificate to the rebate form. Certification must occur between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014. Participants are not eligible for rebates on qualifying equipment through the Energy Efficiency Rebate Program.

☐ **Platinum tier documentation (if applicable)**
Ensure you have attached a copy of Platinum tier documentation provided by a certified HERS rater

Step 3: Submit paperwork

Double-check information
Make sure the information listed on the application is correct and that you have provided all required information.

Submit application
Submit your application and documentation in one of three ways within 90 days of Home Energy Rating (HERS) certification:

Mail to:
NIPSCO Residential New Construction Program
3100 West Rd, Building 3, Suite 200
East Lansing, MI 48823

Email to:
RebateProgram@nipsco.com

Fax to:
517-580-5123

Please allow up to eight weeks to receive your rebate.

Terms and conditions

Application eligibility: All forms must be postmarked within 90 days of the HERS certification, which must be completed between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014. If applying for appliance rebates only, use the NIPSCO Energy Efficiency Rebate form. The Residential New Construction Program application is for new homes with the NIPSCO Silver Star, Gold Star or the Platinum Star certification ratings. Ground source heat pumps as well as dual-fuel systems, where a heat pump is used in conjunction with a gas furnace, are not eligible for rebates Funds are limited and applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. The Program is subject to change and may end without prior notice.

Verification: NIPSCO reserves the right to verify HERS certificates or sales receipts before issuing rebates. All homes are subject to verification by the Program to ensure the project meets Program requirements. An inspection may be conducted to verify rebate requirements. By submitting this rebate application, the applicant agrees to participate in any audit requested by NIPSCO as it pertains to the rebate program.

Program modifications: NIPSCO reserves the right to alter or discontinue rebate offers at any time without notice.

Builder eligibility: Offer valid for home builders constructing new homes in the NIPSCO natural gas and/or electric service territories. Homes must have residential natural gas service on rate 411, 415 or 451 to be eligible for natural gas rebates. Homes must have residential electric service on rate 611, 612 or 613 to be eligible for electric rebates. The Residential New Construction rebates on this form are available for single-family detached homes and duplexes. Rebate levels are dependent on the type of service provided by NIPSCO. All builders must complete a W-9 to receive a rebate.

Rebate payment: Rebates will only be paid to one person or entity (NIPSCO customer or builder, not both). Customers cannot apply for Energy Efficiency Rebate Program rebates for the equipment installed in the new home if they are receiving a rebate through this program (Residential New Construction Program). Allow up to eight weeks to receive your rebate. Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Failure to complete the rebate application in full and provide the required supporting HERS certification documentation will either delay the payment process or result in your application being denied. Receipt of an application does not guarantee payment of a rebate. The Program is not responsible for items (e.g. application, supporting documentation, rebate checks) lost or damaged in the mail.

HERS rating eligibility: HERS Ratings must be completed by a RESNET certified HERS rater between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014. The home must meet the HERS score requirement for Silver Star, Gold Star or Platinum Star to qualify for a rebate. Participation in the Residential New Construction program precludes participation in the Energy Efficiency Rebate Program for the equipment rebates. Builders may not apply for individual equipment/product rebates in addition to the Silver Star, Gold Star or Platinum Star rebates. All Energy Policy Act Efficient New Home Federal Tax Credit requirements must be completed in order to qualify for a Platinum Star rebate. Contact your local RESNET certified rater for the specific requirements for the Energy Policy Act Efficient New Home Federal Tax Credit.

Rebate recipient: Eligible NIPSCO customers may receive rebates for qualifying application submissions.

Disclaimer: NIPSCO does not guarantee that energy efficiency equipment purchased and installed or services provided through this program will result in energy and cost savings. NIPSCO reserves the right to deny or limit any rebate request. In addition, no warranties on product or service installations are provided by NIPSCO, nor does the Program warrant, guarantee or endorse the energy efficiency services provided by any specific contractor participating in the Program. NIPSCO, the Program Administrator, and the Program Implementor, their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, parent companies, officers, directors, agents and employees disclaim any and all liability, loss or damages, and make no guarantees related to: participation in the Program, including use or installation of the equipment; loss or delay of rebate check(s) in the mail; and any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in the Program. Please allow up to eight weeks to receive your rebate.

Indemnification: Signatory(ies) and applicant(s) shall indemnify NIPSCO, the Program Administrator, and the Program Implementor, their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, parent companies, officers, directors, agents and employees against any and all losses, damages, expense, fees, costs and liability arising from any design, consulting, product, system, equipment or appliance, in connection with the Program.

Builder information: NIPSCO reserves the right to disclose the customer's utility account numbers, Federal Tax ID or social security number and consumption data to its subcontractors for the sole purpose of administering the NIPSCO program. Subcontractors are contractually bound to maintain this information in the strictest of confidence.

Representation: Making false statements on any NIPSCO rebate application is punishable by law. Any and all funds determined, in NIPSCO's sole discretion, to have been acquired on the basis of fraudulent or misrepresented information must be returned to the Program. NIPSCO may refuse payment and participation if the signatory(ies), applicant(s), customer(s), or contractor(s) violate program rules or procedures.

Taxes: Rebates are taxable for businesses if greater than $600 and will be reported to the IRS unless you are exempt. NIPSCO will report your rebate as income to you on IRS Form 1099 unless you have checked corporation or exempt status on Page 1 of this application. You are urged to consult your tax advisor concerning the taxability of rebates. NIPSCO is not responsible for any taxes that may be imposed on your business as a result of your receipt of this rebate.

Customer and contact information

1. Home builder information

Company name	Phone	Email	
Contact first name	Contact last name		
Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Federal tax ID or social security number	Business classification (check one)		
	☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Sole proprietorship (indiv.) ☐ Limited liability ☐ Other ☐ Exempt		

2. New home installation address

Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Account number			

3. Mailing address for rebate check

Mailing address	City	State	ZIP Code

4. Sign application

I certify that all information provided on this application and supporting documentation is true and correct, and that I have met all program requirements as outlined in this application. I understand and agree with the terms and conditions listed in this application.

Applicant Signature | Print Applicant Name | Date

Home information

Homes with NIPSCO natural gas and electric service (natural gas heat with electric AC)			
Required HERS rating	Rebate amount	HERS rating	HERS certification date
Silver Star: **HERS Rating ≤ 75**	$600		
Gold Star: **HERS Rating ≤ 67**	$900		
Platinum Star Home must meet Energy Policy Act Efficient New Home Tax Credit requirements	$1,000		

Homes with electric service (electric heated homes)			
Required HERS rating	Rebate amount	HERS rating	HERS certification date
Silver Star: **HERS Rating ≤ 75**	$600		
Gold Star: **HERS Rating ≤ 67**	$900		
Platinum Star Home must meet Energy Policy Act Efficient New Home Tax Credit requirements	$1,000		

Homes with natural gas service (natural gas heated homes)			
Required HERS rating	Rebate amount	HERS rating	HERS certification date
Silver Star: **HERS Rating ≤ 75**	$240		
Gold Star: **HERS Rating ≤ 67**	$360		
Platinum Star Home must meet Energy Policy Act Efficient New Home Tax Credit requirements	$400		

Please contact your local RESNET home energy rater for details on the Platinum Star - Energy Policy Act Efficient New Home Tax Credit requirements and documentation.

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