

Energy Efficiency Program

# **Efficiency improvements**2023 Commercial rebate application

Rebates for qualifying equipment, products or services installed between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.

For Nicor Gas commercial customers:

- · Private sector
- · Public sector
- Multi-family properties (3 units or more)
- Gas supplied by third party, distributed by Nicor Gas

Note: Self-directed customers are not eligible.

# **Get ready:**

Review all eligibility requirements and terms and conditions. Collect all required information to complete your application.

#### **Get started:**

Submit within 90 days of installation/service, or by January 31, 2024, whichever comes first.

Apply Online at: **nicorgas.com/apply** 

OR Mail the completed and signed application, invoice and supporting documents to:

Nicor Gas Attn. Energy Efficiency 23-59064 P.O. Box 540071 El Paso, TX 88554-0071

# **Get your rebate:**

Rebates are delivered in six to eight weeks when a complete application and all required documents are received for a rebate qualifying product.

To check the status of your rebate, visit **nicorgas.com/status.** 

Need help? Call us at **877.886.4239** (Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or email **eeinfo@nicorgas.com** 

Account holder inform	ation (as it appe	ars on Nicor Ga	s bill/account)		
Nicor Gas account number	List first 10 digits of leading zeros but no		r, including any		
Business/account holder name					
Business/account address (must match install address)	City	State	ZIP code		
A					
Account holder site cor	itact informa	ation			
Contact first name	Contact last	Contact last name			
Contact title					
Phone number	Fmail addres	c			

Please check below to identify account holder funding type.

# **Privately funded**

Business independently owned with less than 10 locations

# **Publicly funded** (taxpayer)

Please select the public sector class.

Local government State

Federal

# Installing contractor information Contractor business name (as it appears on invoice or receipt)

Installed by facility staff\* (if checked, provide name, phone and email)

Contact first name

Contact last name

Address

City

State

ZIP code

Phone number

Email address

\*For self-installations, the account holder/customer is responsible for ensuring the qualifying product(s) are installed according to all applicable building, local and state codes and manufacturer specifications. Nicor Gas does not assume any responsibly for the quality or safety of any installation.

# Does my building qualify as multi-family?

Multi-family properties must be three units or more, with semi-permanent or permanent tenants, including:

- Apartments
- · Condominiums
- · Town homes
- · Dorms
- · Assisted living/retirement homes

# **Building type guide**

Detailed description of building ventilation system types for hospitals or high-rise office buildings.

Choose the building type on page two that corresponds with your ventilation system.

Have questions? Call us at 877.886.4239

# Rebate check

Make check payable to (select one)

Account holder (Checks will be made payable to the account holder name on the Nicor Gas bill)

Landlord L Attention to		(landlo	rd/busines	ss proper	ty name)			
Mailing address	5 (if different than i	nstallation addre	ess) C	ity		State	ZIP code	
	Circle installin		ed rebate	as an inst	ant disco	unt)		

# **Building type** (please select only one building type)

Select the building type that best describes the location where the equipment was installed or services were performed

### **Multi-family**

High-rise (5 stories or more)
Mid-rise (up to 4 stories)

Assisted living

Airport

Assembly (theater, hall, arena)

Auto dealership Convenience

Correctional facility

Drug store

**Emergency services** 

Garage Grocery

Healthcare clinic

Hospital

Hotel/motel (guest room only)

Hotel/motel (common area only)

Hotel/motel (common area/guest room)

Manufacturing facility

Movie theater

Office - high-rise (10+ floors)
Office - mid-rise (5-9 floors)
Office - low-rise (up to 4 floors)
Public municipal library
Religious facility

Restaurant

Retail - department store

Retail - strip mall

School - college/university
School - elementary school
School - high school/junior high

Warehouse

Other \_\_\_\_\_

# For hospitals and high-rise offices, please specify HVAC system type:

CAV, no economizer VAV, economizer CAV, economizer FCU

Ventilation system type	Abbreviation
Constant air volume ventilation (CAV), no economizer  Does not contain variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers  Cannot use an economizer for free cooling, likely to be an older system	CAV, no econ
Constant air volume ventilation (CAV) with economizer  Does not contain variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers System has the ability to use an economizer for free cooling	CAV, econ
Variable air volume ventilation (VAV) with economizer  Contains variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers System has the ability to use an economizer for free cooling	VAV, econ
Fan coil unit (FCU) for ventilation  Has units that consist of a heating or cooling coil and a fan  Each fan coil unit serves the space where it is installed or multiple spaces	FCU



# **Product information**

Provide the following information for the equipment installed (as listed on invoice). Verify your invoice/receipt is legible and includes all the information listed on page six. If any information is illegible or missing, contact your contractor to get the correct information before submitting your application. Incorrect or missing information will delay processing your rebate. If you performed an eligible boiler tune-up on more than one boiler, complete and submit additional copies of this page as necessary.

If you installed more than one type of product or equipment, complete and submit additional copies of applicable pages as necessary.

# Check one type:

Rebate

2" installed on any \$4 per outdoor system linear foot

Check one: Hot water

1" installed on indoor \$4 per steam system linear foot

Dry cleaner?

No

1" installed on indoor \$4 per hot water system linear foot

1" installed on indoor \$2 per pipe <1" diameter linear foot

≤ 1/2" Pipe diameter:

> 1/2" to < 1"

#### \*The total installed cost includes the sum of all equipment/services provided and external labor. The invoice must be itemized to include a line item showing the cost for each rebate-qualifying piece of equipment/ service. If self-installed, only the cost of the equipment should be provided on the application and a receipt(s) for the equipment/supplies should be submitted with application.

# Pipe insulation

Install date Total installed cost\*

Total linear feet installed

#### Insulation material:

Polyethylene foam Flexible polyurethane-based foam **Fiberglass** Melamine foam Flexible silicon foam Calcium silicate

Cellular glass Other

# System location:

Semi-heated space Unheated space Heated space (boiler room/crawl space) (parking garage, outdoor)

System type:

**Process** Space heating Domestic hot water

System pressure (if steam):

Low (< 15 psig) Medium (≥ 15 psig to < 75 psig) High (≥ 75 psig)

System recirculation (if space heating):

Non-recirculating Heating season only Year-round

### **Eligibility requirements**

- Fiberglass, foam, calcium silicate or other similar insulation types qualify.
- Rebate amount is determined by the piping location and system type, as listed above.
- Pipe insulation installed as part of a new facility construction is not eligible for a rebate.
- Rebates are paid per linear foot installed and will not exceed the total cost of the insulation installed.
- Insulation added to fittings will be measured in inches and included in the total number of linear feet installed.
- Total linear feet of insulation, including insulation on fittings, will be rounded to the nearest foot.
- If insulation is < 2" thick on outdoor pipe or < 1" on indoor pipe, the insulation material must be listed on the invoice in addition to other requirements. The R-value of the insulation will be verified for eligibility.

#### 2" installed on any outdoor pipe system

To qualify, insulation must be at least 2" thick or have an R-value ≥ 6.45 and must be installed on existing bare outdoor piping (hot water or steam) that is at least 1" in diameter and must include an all-weather protective jacket.

#### 1" installed on indoor steam system

To qualify, insulation must be at least 1" thick or have an R-value ≥ 3.25 and must be installed on existing bare indoor piping that is part of a steam system (space heating or process steam) that is at least 1" in diameter.

# 1" installed on indoor hot water system

To qualify, insulation must be at least 1" thick or have an R-value ≥ 3.25 and must be installed on existing bare indoor piping that is part of a hot water system (domestic hot water, space heating or condensate return) that is at least 1" in diameter.

#### 1" installed on pipe < 1" diameter

To qualify, insulation must be at least 1" thick or have an R-value ≥ 3.25 and must be installed on existing bare piping that is less than 1" in diameter.



# Check one: Rebate Installed on indoor pool/spa \$1.25 per sq. ft.

# ► Pool/spa covers

Install date		Total installed cost*		
Manufacturer	Model	Cover area (# sq ft)		

# **Eligibility requirements**

- Cover must be installed on a commercialuse pool/spa that is heated with gas-fired equipment.
- Cover must be installed on a pool/spa that currently does not have a cover, or has a cover that requires replacement.
- Pool/spa must be located in a commercial or multi-family (indoor or outdoor) property.
- Rebates are paid per square foot installed and will not exceed the total cost of the cover.
- Invoice must include total square footage of cover

# Check one: Rebate

Ozone laundry

Installed on

outdoor pool/spa

**\$10** per lb. of washer capacity

**\$0.75** per

sq. ft.

# Ozone laundry

Install date	Total installed cost* (per ozone system)
Manufacturer	Model

Total system washing capacity

lbs

This is a laundromat

# **Eligibility requirements**

- Customer must have a gas-fired boiler or natural gas water heater that supplies hot water to the on-premise laundry facility.
- · Laundry facility must be on site.
- Ozone systems must be installed in a hotel/ motel, laundromat, fitness or recreational sports center, healthcare facility (excluding hospitals), or an assisted living facility.
- $\cdot$  System must use ozone (O3).

Total installed cost\* (per control)

- · Invoice must include total washing capacity.
- Rebate is paid per pound of capacity on all clothes washers associated with the ozone laundry installation, and cannot exceed the total installed cost.

# Check one: Rebate

Clothes dryer modulation controls

\$100

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# Clothes dryer modulation controls

Control		
Manufacturer	Model	Quantity 
Dryer		
Manufacturer	Model 	

# **Dryer location:**

Install date

Multi-family (shared laundry)

Laundromat

On-premise laundry (hotel, healthcare, dry cleaner, or gym)

# **Eligibility requirements**

- Must be installed on an existing 30 to 250 pound capacity commercial gas dryer with no modulating capabilities.
- · In-unit laundry applications do not qualify.



# Check one: Rebate

Demand-controlled ventilation

\$20

Pre-approval is required. Find out more at nicorgas.com/dcv

# ▶ Demand-controlled ventilation

Install date		Total installed cost* (per sensor)		
Sensor manufacturer	Sensor model		Quantity installed (of sensors)	

# **Eligibility requirements**

- Pre-approval is required to receive a rebate.
   A copy of the pre-approval letter must be submitted with this rebate application.

   Pre-approval details are available at nicorgas.com/dcv OR by emailing EEinfo@nicorgas.com
- Must be installed in facility with natural gas space heating equipment.
- Must be installed in a clean, dust free location.
- Must be installed as an energy conservation measure.
- · Must be integrated into the facility's

- ventilation system control strategy.
- Must be installed on an existing HVAC system, and not be replacing an existing demand-controlled ventilation application.
- DCV installed on packaged single-zone (PSZ) rooftop units with functioning economizers is not eligible.
- · Sensors installed as part of a new facility construction are not eligible for rebates.
- · Only CO2 sensors qualify.
- · Facilities with terminal reheat systems are not eligible.
- · Rebate is paid per sensor.

# Check one: Rebate

Kitchen demandcontrolled ventilation **\$500** per HP

Pre-approval is required. Find out more at nicorgas.com/dcv

- \*The total installed cost includes the sum of all equipment/services provided and external labor. The invoice must be itemized to include a line item showing the cost for each rebate-qualifying piece of equipment/service. If self-installed, only the cost of the equipment should be provided on the application and a receipt(s) for the equipment/supplies should be submitted with application.
- \* HP = Horsepower

# ▶ Kitchen demand-controlled ventilation

Install date Total installed cost\* (per sensor)

Sensor

Manufacturer Model

# Exhaust fan

Horsepower

# **Eligibility requirements**

- Pre-approval is required to receive a rebate. A copy of the pre-approval letter must be submitted with this rebate application. Pre-approval details are available at nicorgas.com/dcv OR by emailing EEinfo@nicorgas.com
- · Rebate is paid based on the exhaust fan horsepower.
- Must be a control system that varies the exhaust rate of kitchen ventilation (exhaust and/or makeup air fans) based on the energy and effluent output from cooking appliances.
- Temperature sensors must be installed in the hood exhaust collar.
- Optic sensors must be installed on the end of the hood.
- Total system size must be less than 5,000 CFM to qualify

#### **Qualifying products**

- · Temperature sensors
- · Temperature and optical sensors
- · Temperature and infrared cooking sensors

# Check one: Rebate

Overhead garage door spring loaded hinge

**\$50** per door

# Overhead garage door spring loaded hinge

Install date Total installed cost\* (per door)

Total garage/rollup doors replaced (quantity)

# **Eligibility requirements**

- Garage is conditioned during the heating season by natural gas.
- Spring must be installed in a garage for a convenience store, parking garage, high school, manufacturing, office-low rise, retail-strip mall, or warehouse.
- Invoice should have verification of spring loaded hinge



# Compressed air heat recovery Check one: Rebate Install date Total installed cost\* (per sensor) Compressed Air Heat **\$50** per Recovery Manufacturer Model Compressor horsepower Compressor operating hours **Eligibility requirements** Must be an air-cooled air compressor that is The baseline equipment is an air-cooled air ducted for heat recovery during the heating compressor whose exhaust is ducted to the outdoors or to a space where heat is not season. needed (e.g., compressor room, unoccupied The ducting must include a thermostat space). that controls the heat recovery based on whether heating is needed. Attach supplemental documents Don't forget to submit a copy of the itemized invoice(s) or proof of purchase which must include: Contractor name, address and phone number Account holder or business name and installation address (as it appears on the Nicor Gas bill) Date installed and operational (clearly labeled) Type of equipment, manufacturer and model Total installed cost (itemized by each piece of qualifying equipment) Proof of payment or payment terms (for example: balance due of zero, financing terms or paid-in-full stamp) Ozone laundry: Total washing capacity of all washers in system, in pounds Pipe insulation: Linear feet and thickness of insulation installed Pool/spa cover: Square footage of cover For Contractor Circle installing members providing the rebate as an instant discount: Include a customer-signed invoice showing the rebate amount deducted from the purchase price, clearly labeled as a Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebate. Other discounts or rebates unrelated to Nicor Gas should be shown as a separate line item. If you are not able to get the customer signature on the invoice/ receipt, have the customer complete and sign the invoice checklist and submit with the rebate application and the final receipt/invoice. Demand-controlled ventilation and kitchen DCV applications must be submitted with the pre-approval letter. Applicant information and signature The individual who will be paid the rebate should complete this section. For example: Account holder applying for themselves, landlord who paid for the work or approved Contractor Circle member who offered the rebate as an instant discount. With my signature below, I hereby certify that: 1. The energy-efficient product, equipment or service was paid for as reflected on the





invoice, is installed and is operational.

2. The information provided in the application

complete.

availability.

and supporting documents is accurate and

3. All rules of this rebate program have been

followed. Equipment/service has met all

product eligibility requirements and the terms and conditions within this document.

4. I have read and understand the terms and

conditions included within this document.

5. I understand that rebates are based upon eligibility and verification of information provided in this application and supporting documents, and is subject to funding

# Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebate terms and conditions

#### Participant eligibility

You are eligible to participate in the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program ("the program") if you are a current Nicor Gas:

 Commercial customer and complete qualifying services or complete installation of qualifying equipment/products in a non-residential space with an active Nicor Gas account when the installation/improvement was completed. Self-directed customers are not eligible.

#### OR

 Residential customer in a multi-family building that has permanent or semipermanent residents. Multi-family buildings have three or more units and are limited to apartments, condominiums, assisted living facilities and retirement communities.

#### Installation requirements

Your installation of qualifying high-efficiency natural gas equipment/products or completion of a qualifying service is eligible for a rebate if:

- It meets all specific energy efficiency and program requirements outlined in this application.
- The equipment/product is purchased new. Resale equipment/products, new parts installed in existing equipment/products, or equipment/products that are leased, rebuilt, rented, received from insurance or warranty claims or won as a prize do not qualify.
- Natural gas equipment/product replacing electric equipment/product and electric equipment/product replacing natural gas equipment/product is not eligible.
- For existing facilities, the qualifying natural gas equipment/product installed is replacing existing natural gas equipment/product used for the same purpose.
- For new facilities, including new construction and projects involving a major remodel or demolition and renovation, qualifying equipment/product must meet all other program qualifications.
- It is installed or the service is completed by a qualified individual, compliant with all applicable building, local and state codes and manufacturer specifications. Installations must adhere to applicable environmental, health and safety regulations, and the equipment/product must be properly ventilated (if applicable). Professional installation is not required but is strongly recommended to ensure the efficient and proper functioning of equipment/product.
- The equipment/product is installed and operational and the service was completed at the address listed on the application prior to submittal of this application.
- It is installed or completed in a property owned by the applicant, or the applicant
  has received permission from the property owner to install the equipment/product
  or complete the qualifying service. The applicant's signature on the application and/
  or invoice indicates that the appropriate permission has been obtained.
- It is purchased and installed or service is completed between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.

#### Application requirements

To be considered complete and eligible for rebates, all applications must:

- Be postmarked or submitted online no later than 90 days after the installation date, or by January 31, 2024, whichever comes first.
- · Include itemized contractor invoice(s) or proof of purchase receipt(s) consisting of:
  - Contractor name, address and phone number
  - Business/account holder name and installation address
  - Installation date (clearly labeled)
  - Type of equipment, equipment manufacturer and model
  - Total installed cost (itemized by each piece of qualifying equipment)
  - Proof of payment or payment terms (for example: balance due of zero, financing terms or paid-in-full stamp)
- · Include all required supporting documentation.
- · Meet instant discount requirements, if applicable.
- Be signed by the Nicor Gas account holder unless the rebate is being made payable to a Contractor Circle installing member.
- Use separate applications if applying for products installed by different contractors. Online applications must be:
- · Submitted online at nicorgas.com/apply
- Accompanied by a copy of the required contractor invoice(s) or receipt(s) and other required documentation.

#### Payee information

- The program allows the rebate check to be made payable to one of the following:
   Nicor Gas account holder, landlord or current Contractor Circle installing member.
- If you are the account holder and want the rebate check to be made payable to you, please complete the rebate application, provide the required supporting documentation listed on the rebate application and sign as the "Applicant."
- In the event a rebate check made payable to the account holder remains uncashed for longer than 90 days, Nicor Gas reserves the right to cancel the check and credit the account holder's active natural gas account.
- To have the check made payable to the landlord (who is not the account holder) or the installing contractor (i.e., a Contractor Circle installing member who provided the rebate as an instant discount), please review all requirements for applications submitted by a landlord or contractor.
- To receive a rebate you must not have received/will not receive a rebate for the same equipment, product or service from more than one Illinois investor-owned utility or third-party energy efficiency program offering rebates or financing funded with ratepayer funds, with the exception of qualifying joint ComEd/Nicor Gas rebate offers.

#### Contractor Circle installing member instant discount requirements

Rebates being paid directly to the installing contractor must meet the following requirements:

- Instant discounts may only be offered by current Contractor Circle installing members that meet all program requirements.
- · Contractor must submit:
  - A contractor signed rebate application with "Contractor Circle installing member" selected as the payee.
  - Any additional required documentation for the specific measure/service installed
  - A copy of the customer-signed invoice showing the rebate amount deducted from the total purchase price and clearly labeled as a Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebate. The customer's signature on the invoice verifies that the qualifying equipment/product was/were installed, the customer received an instant discount and allows the release of the rebate payment to the contractor.
- Contractor Circle installing members must verify customer, equipment/product and installation or service eligibility prior to providing an instant discount. The contractor assumes all liability by providing the rebate as an instant discount.
- A customer may be contacted by Nicor Gas to verify any of the information provided on the rebate application or invoice prior to payment of a rebate to a contractor for an instant discount.
- Any dispute from a customer regarding receipt of a rebate as an instant discount
  will be investigated by Nicor Gas, and contractor payees are subject to payment
  adjustments in the event a customer has not received the full and correct rebate
  amount as an instant discount
- Contractor Circle installing members are responsible for providing the full and correct rebate amount for qualifying equipment or products.
- The online instant discount application is limited to Contractor Circle installing members. Contractors should visit nicorgas.com/installer for more information or to enroll.

#### Landlord participant requirements

If you are applying for a rebate for a property you own, but the Nicor Gas account is in your tenant's name, your rebate application must show:

- · Tenant's (customer's) Nicor Gas account number, name and address.
- The appropriate box checked for the rebate to be paid to the landlord, with full name or business name in the proper fields.

By signing the application, the landlord represents that the account holder has agreed to release payment of the rebate to the landlord.

#### Program terms and conditions

- Funds are limited and applications are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis.
   Program is subject to change and may end without prior notice.
- · Please allow approximately six to eight weeks for processing of any rebates.
- Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Failure to complete the rebate application in full and provide the required supporting documentation will either delay the payment process or result in your application being denied.
- Maintain a copy of your rebate application and all supporting documentation.
   The program is not responsible for items (i.e., rebate applications, supporting documentation and/or rebate checks) lost or damaged in the mail.
- Contractor Circle installing members are eligible to have the rebate signed over to them. Contractors receiving rebates are not eligible for any other incentives for the same services or products.
- If you do not own the property where the equipment or product is installed or the service provided, as a tenant, you are responsible for obtaining the property owner's permission to provide the service or to install the equipment/product for which you are applying for a rebate. Your submission of this application indicates that you have obtained permission.
- Rebate incentives may not exceed the total purchase price of the installed equipment, product or services. Only materials, equipment, product and external labor costs are eligible.
- All equipment or product installations are subject to verification by the program to ensure that the equipment/product installed or service completed meets the program requirements.
- Participants must allow, if requested, the program (or a program representative) reasonable access to their facility to verify that the equipment/product is installed and operating or that the service has been performed.
- Participants may be contacted by an evaluator to verify the equipment/product installation or services, or be asked to complete a customer survey. If contacted, your participation is required.
- Nicor Gas, its officers, employees, contractors and program administrators disclaim any and all liability, loss or damage and make no guarantees related to:
  - Participation in the program, including use or installation of the product(s)/ equipment or receipt of services
  - Loss or delay of rebate check in the mail
  - Any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in the program
- Payments made to contractors, commercial customers or landlords may be taxable
  under federal and state tax codes. If payments total more than \$600 per calendar
  year, they will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. Nicor Gas is not
  responsible for providing advice regarding any taxes that may be imposed as a result
  of participation in the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program. Participants should
  consult a tax accountant or advisor regarding potential tax liability. Nicor Gas is not
  responsible for any taxes that may be imposed on your business as a result of these
  payments.