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## Montana Commercial Electric – Existing Construction Program Incentive Amounts, Guidelines & Application

**EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2026**

<b>Commercial Air Curtains</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>	Unit	Does not include strip curtains for coolers.
<b>Optimized Lab Hood Design</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>	Fume Hood	Install Variable Air Volume (VAV) and Electronically Commutated Motor (ECM).
<b>Kitchen Ventilation - Advanced Controls</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	Kitchen Hood	Install Demand Control Ventilation System. Automated fan speed control.
<b>Dishwasher</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>	Unit	ENERGY STAR® rated. Must have NorthWestern electric water heating.
<b>Clothes Dryer</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	Unit	ENERGY STAR® rated.
<b>Ventilation - Parking Garages, Demand Controlled</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	1,000 Square Feet	Install Variable Speed Drive (VFD). No soft starts. Must have automated speed and flow controls.
<b>Engine Block Heater Controls</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	Unit	Permanent mounted engine block heater control (No timers or portable models).
<b>Ventilation - Variable Speed Control</b>	<b>\$75.00</b>	Motor HP	Install Variable Speed Drive (VFD). No soft starts. Must have automated speed and flow controls.
<b>Chiller - Variable flow Chilled Water Pump - Variable Speed Drive on chilled water pump</b>	<b>\$75.00</b>	Motor HP	Install Variable Speed Drive (VFD) No soft starts. Must have automated speed and flow controls.
<b>Ventilation - High Efficiency Motors</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	Motor HP	Electronically Commutated Motor (ECM). Fractional HP only.
<b>Wi-Fi Thermostat</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	Unit	ENERGY STAR® rated or Smart (Wi-Fi) thermostat, must use NorthWestern electric space heating.
<b>Ventilation - Demand Controlled</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	1,000 Square Feet	Install Variable Speed Drive (VFD). No soft starts. Must have automated speed and flow controls
<b>Pre-Rinse Spray Valve</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	Unit	Must have electric water heating and be ≤ 1.5 GPM spray valve
<b>Refrigeration - High Efficiency Compressor</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	Motor HP	Install Variable Speed Drive (VFD). No soft starts. Must have automated speed and flow controls
<b>Refrigeration - Defrost Controls</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	Door	Install defrost controls
<b>Grocery - Display Case - Anti-Sweat Heater Controls</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	Door	Anti-Sweat (Humidistat) Controls. Variable temperature controls
<b>Water Cooler</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>	Unit	ENERGY STAR® Rated. No leased equipment.
<b>Windows - Secondary Glazing Systems</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	Square Foot	Install secondary glazing system on exterior windows, must have electric space heating
<b>Grocery - Open Display Case - Night Covers</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	Foot	Install night cover for display cases
<b>Faucet Aerators/Low Flow Nozzle</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	Unit	Must have electric water heating and be ≤ 1.0 GPM aerator
<b>Low-Flow Showerheads</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	Unit	Must have electric water heating and be ≤ 1.75 GPM showerhead

<b>Refrigeration - Evaporator Fan ECM</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>	Watt Installed	Electronically Commutated Motor (ECM). Minimum 20 watts. Fractional HP only
<b>Refrigeration Compressor ECM</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>	Watt Installed	Electronically Commutated Motor (ECM). Minimum 20 watts. Fractional HP only
<b>Insulation - Wall Cavity</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>	Square Foot	Must have NorthWestern electric space heating. R-21 minimum. Exterior above grade walls only.
<b>Water Heater - Pipe Insulation</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>	Foot	Must have electric NorthWestern water heating. R-4 minimum

Details of the program, including incentives, are subject to change without prior notice.  
Incentive amounts are valid through June 30, 2026.

- NorthWestern Energy commercial electric customers are eligible for the program.
- **NorthWestern Energy representatives may verify completed jobs prior to payment.**
- Work completed or materials purchased prior to August 1, 2025, will not be accepted under the program.
- This program is for existing construction. Garages do not qualify. Radiant Barriers do not qualify.
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- Customers are encouraged to obtain multiple bids to compare price, product, service, product performance characteristics and contractor warranty.

**Questions? Call (800) 823-5995**

Log on to [NorthWesternEnergy.com/Rebates](http://NorthWesternEnergy.com/Rebates) for a complete list of rebate programs and details.



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Projects completed or MATERIALS purchased prior to August 1, 2025 are not eligible.  
Projects must be completed by and submitted by June 30, 2026.

**Before submitting this application be sure to:**

- Read Requirements (Page 2) and Terms and Conditions (Page 5)
- Complete and sign the application
- Include a recent NorthWestern Energy bill for the installation address
- Attach legible applicable receipts and invoices

Mail the completed application & all supporting documents to:

**NorthWestern Energy**  
**C-EX-E**  
**P.O. Box 1167**  
**Helena, MT 59624**  
**Email: nwecommercialrebates@dnv.com**

I certify that the information on this application is true and correct and that I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions on the reverse of this application.

**Customer Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Date Application Received:	Date Verification Performed:
Date Additional Info Requested:	Verification Results: (circle one) <b>PASS</b> <b>FAIL</b>
Date Submitted for Payment:	Reason(s) for Failure (if applicable):
Total Incentive Amount: \$	Verifier Signature:

## **Terms and Conditions**

**APPLICATION:** This application must be filled out completely, truthfully and accurately. Participants are advised to retain a copy of this application and any accompanying documentation submitted to NorthWestern Energy under this program. NorthWestern Energy will not be responsible for lost documentation pertaining to this application request. Funds for incentives are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Details of this program, including incentives, are subject to change without prior notice.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Incentives are available to approved applicants who are NorthWestern Energy residential customers. Final determination of eligibility shall rest solely with NorthWestern Energy.

**VERIFICATION:** Participant's contractor will verify that the installed saving measures meet program standards and State of Montana codes. Participant's facility may also be selected for post-installation verification prior to incentive payment. No warranty is implied by this verification. NorthWestern Energy's inspection of installed equipment or energy saving measures is for the sole purpose of assuring that it has been installed and program criteria have been satisfied, and it is not for the purpose of inspecting materials or quality of work. NorthWestern Energy makes no representations of warranties concerning adequacy of materials or quality of the work by virtue of its inspection.

**PAYMENT:** The incentives will be paid within 4-6 weeks upon: (i) completion of the energy efficiency program saving measures, (ii) verification of the measures, and (iii) submission of this completed application with all required information attached.

**PROOF OF PURCHASE:** The invoices accompanying this application must itemize the products purchased and/or work performed. This proof of purchase must show: (1) the date of purchase and itemized price paid, (2) the size, type, make, model or part number for the products, and (3) a description of any installation or other labor charges.

**INCENTIVE AMOUNT:** Incentives for the energy efficiency program savings measures completed as set forth in this application are limited to the amounts set forth in this application and may not exceed the purchase price.

**TAX LIABILITY:** NorthWestern Energy is not responsible for any tax liability imposed on Participant as a result of payment of these incentives.

**SAFETY & BUILDING CODES:** Participant represents that: (i) all products installed and work performed complies with all federal, state and local safety, building and environmental codes, and (ii) products are UL listed, if applicable, and installed per manufacturer's instructions. NorthWestern Energy is not responsible for wiring, piping, appliances, chimneys, flues or venting, and/or equipment on Participant's premises beyond the appropriate service meter or other points of connection with NorthWestern Energy's service connection at which point the responsibility of NorthWestern Energy shall cease.

**NO ENDORSEMENT:** NorthWestern Energy does not endorse any particular manufacturer, contractor or product in promoting the energy efficiency program. The fact that names of particular manufacturers, contractors, products or systems may appear on this application does not constitute an endorsement. Manufacturers, contractors, products or systems not mentioned are not implied to be unsuitable or defective in any way. NorthWestern Energy or its agents do not sell energy conservation products directly to customers.

**PROPERTY RIGHTS:** Participant represents that Participant has the right to perform the rebated saving measures on the property on which those measures are performed and that any necessary landlord's consent has been obtained.

**ACCESS & EVALUATION:** NorthWestern Energy and/or its representatives may request access to the property and may review and evaluate the project during and after completion for up to 2 years. Participant agrees to provide reasonable access to the property for the purposes described herein.

**ENERGY INFORMATION RELEASE:** Participant authorizes NorthWestern Energy to access energy usage data for the project's specified account at the physical address of the project. Participant agrees to provide other reasonable assistance to obtain such information.

**INFORMATION RELEASE:** Participant agrees that NorthWestern Energy may include services and resulting energy savings in reports or other documentation submitted to the Montana Public Service Commission. NorthWestern Energy will treat all other information gathered in evaluations as confidential and report it only in the aggregate.

**ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS:** Products must meet energy efficiency specifications of NorthWestern Energy. These specifications may be found on the Web at [NorthWesternEnergy.com/Rebates](http://NorthWesternEnergy.com/Rebates). If you, or your contractor, are not sure of the specifications, please call (800) 823-5995 before proceeding.

**DISCLAIMER / NO LIABILITY:** Participant understands that, while NorthWestern Energy is providing Participant with the incentives payment, NorthWestern Energy is not supervising work performed for Participant nor is NorthWestern Energy responsible in any way for proper completion of that work or proper performance of any products purchased. NorthWestern Energy is simply providing funding to assist Participant in implementing rebated saving measures. Participant assumes the risk of any loss or damage(s) that Participant may suffer in connection with installation of the measures. NorthWestern Energy does not guarantee any particular saving results by its approval of the application or by any other of its actions.