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**NYSERDA - EmPower New York**

**Incentive Type:** State Grant Program

**Eligible Efficiency**

**Technologies:** Refrigerators/Freezers, Lighting, Duct/Air sealing, Building Insulation, Heating Systems

**Applicable Sectors:** Residential, Multi-Family Residential, Low-Income Residential

**Amount:** No cost for income-qualified customers

**Installation Services** are delivered by Building Performance Institute accredited contractors and

**Requirements:** participating Weatherization Agencies.

**Funding Source:** System Benefits Charge

**Program Budget:** \$49.4 million (July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2011)

**Website:** <http://www.getenergysmart.org/LowIncome/EmPower.aspx>

**Summary:**

The focus of EmPower New York is on cost-effective electric reduction measures, particularly lighting and refrigerator replacements, as well as other cost-effective home performance strategies such as insulation, and health and safety measures. The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) contracted with Honeywell DMC to implement the EmPower New York Program.

Funding is limited, and services will be targeted to customers on the basis of energy usage and the potential for energy-saving measures. In order to qualify for electric efficiency incentives, customers must live in a building with 100 or fewer units, and either participate in a utility assistance program or have a income at 60% or less of the median income. Income-qualified natural gas customers of Con Edison and National Grid residing in 1-4 family homes are eligible for additional gas efficiency incentives. Eligible measures may include building insulation, heating system upgrades, draft reduction, and fuel conversion for certain appliances.

With the exception of the gas efficiency incentives described above, participants must be electric customers of one of the following utilities to be eligible for this program: Central Hudson, Con Edison, National Grid, NYSEG, Orange & Rockland, or Rochester Gas and Electric. There is no cost to the customer for these efficiency improvements. In rental situations, certain measures that directly benefit the eligible tenant are eligible without a landlord contribution. Additional measures generally require a 25% landlord contribution.

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