
SMALL BUSINESS LIGHTING PROGRAM PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1 PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Save on Energy Small Business Lighting program provides lighting upgrades and incentives to encourage small business owners who are not Residential distribution customers (except Recognized Farm Operations) to upgrade existing lighting to more efficient technologies (the “**SBL Program**”).

The Participants in the SBL Program are owners and tenants of commercial, institutional, agricultural facilities and multi-family buildings that meet certain eligibility criteria.

This SBL Program is offered and administered in the Province of Ontario by the Independent Electricity System Operator (the “**IESO**”) and its Program Delivery Agent(s) under the 2021-2024 Conservation and Demand Management (“**CDM**”) Framework.

2 PROGRAM OFFER / INCENTIVES

Subject to the eligibility requirements set out in Section 3, the SBL Program provides each Participant with the following services and incentives:

- (a) an Assessment at no charge to the Participant;
- (b) where the total cost specified in an executed Work Order for the Project is less than or equal to \$2,000, the procurement and installation of the corresponding Eligible Measures, inclusive of any ESA Fees, at no charge to the Participant (the “**Participant Incentive**”); and
- (c) where the costs specified in an executed Work Order for the Project are greater than \$2,000:
 - (i) the Participant Incentive of up to \$2,000; and
 - (ii) the applicable Standard Incentives for the portion of the total cost of the Project that exceeds the maximum Participant Incentive.

For certainty, where the total cost specified in an executed Work Order for the Project is greater than \$2,000, the Participant is responsible for paying the Measure Cost less the

Standard Incentive, and any applicable ESA Fees, for the portion of the Work Order that is greater than \$2,000 (the "**Participant Contribution**"), directly to the Contractor.

3 PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

3.1 PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

A Participant must:

- (a) not have participated previously in a Save On Energy Small Business Lighting program;
- (b) not be Residential distribution customer, except for a Recognized Farm Operation;
- (c) have all required rights and authority to have the Eligible Measure(s) installed;
- (d) agree to all terms and conditions in the Participant Agreement and submit a signed Participant Agreement no later than June 30, 2021; and
- (e) sign a Work Order no later than June 30, 2021.

3.2 FACILITY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

A Facility must:

- (a) have be connected to the IESO-Controlled Grid or a Distribution System; and
- (b) have 50 or fewer employees on site at a Facility at any point in time, under the full operating capacity of that Facility.

3.3 PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

A Project must:

- (a) be comprised of at least one Eligible Measure;
- (b) be based on the Work Order presented to and signed by the Participant;
- (c) be completed by December 31, 2021;
- (d) be completed by a Contractor in accordance with the electrical safety requirements of the *Electrical Safety Act* (Ontario); and
- (e) not be comprised of measure(s) for which a Participant has received, is already receiving or will receive any financial incentives generally funded by energy

ratepayers or taxpayers in the Province of Ontario or rebates from manufacturers or wholesalers or other supply chain participants.

4 PROGRAM SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS

The following terms have the meaning stated below when used in these Program Requirements:

"2020 Ministerial Directive" refers to the direction given to the IESO by the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines on September 30, 2020 to design, coordinate, deliver and/or fund the delivery of certain electricity conservation and demand programs under the Save on Energy brand through the 2021-2024 CDM Framework beginning on January 1, 2021.

"2021-2024 Conservation and Demand Management Framework" means the framework established by the 2020 Ministerial Directive issued September 30, 2020 pursuant to which the IESO is to design, coordinate, deliver, and/or fund the delivery of electricity conservation and demand management programs under the Save on Energy brand.

"Assessment" means a review of the Existing Equipment at the Facility of a Participant in order to assess and evaluate appropriate Eligible Measures for such Facility.

"Contractor" means a third party service provider under contract to the Program Delivery Agent.

"Distribution System" means a system connected to the IESO-Controlled Grid for distributing electricity at voltages of 50 kV or less and includes any structures, equipment or other thing used for that purpose.

"Eligible Measure" means any measure listed in the column titled "Eligible Measures" on the "Efficient Measure List" worksheet in the Eligible Measures List.

"Eligible Measures List" means the list of Eligible Measures, which may be updated from time to time by the IESO in its sole discretion and is made available on the Save on Energy website.

"ESA Fees" means the applicable Electrical Safety Authority fees for an Eligible Measure, as shown in the "ESA Costs" table in the "Efficient Measure List" worksheet in the Eligible Measures List, and which will be reflected in the Work Order and count towards the maximum \$2,000 Participant Incentive.

"Existing Equipment" means the equipment listed in the column identified as "Existing Equipment / Base Measure" on the "Base Measures List" worksheet in the Eligible Measures List.

“**Facility**” means the building, premises, or part thereof, owned or occupied by the Participant, where the Eligible Measures are installed and which meets the Facility Eligibility Criteria.

“**Facility Eligibility Criteria**” means the eligibility criteria specified in Section 3.2.

“**IESO**” has the meaning given to it in Section 1.

“**IESO-Controlled Grid**” has the meaning given to it in the IESO Market Rules.

“**IESO Market Rules**” means the rules made under Section 32 of the *Electricity Act, 1998* (Ontario), together with all market manuals, policies, and guidelines issued by the IESO or its successor.

“**Measure Cost**” means the price set by the Program Delivery Agent for an Eligible Measure, including cost of installation, which will be reflected on the Work Order. For clarity, the Measure Cost cannot exceed the Measure Cost Cap.

“**Measure Cost Cap**” means the maximum price that can be set by the Program Delivery Agent, including the cost of installation, as shown in the “Measure Cost Cap” column of the “Efficient Measure List” worksheet in the Eligible Measures List.

“**Participant**” means, in respect of the SBL Program, an eligible business entity who has (i) satisfied the Participant Eligibility Criteria, (ii) agreed to the terms and conditions in the Participant Agreement, and (iii) signed a Work Order.

“**Participant Agreement**” means the agreement between the IESO and the Participant setting out the terms and conditions of the Participant’s participation in the SBL Program.

“**Participant Contribution**” means where Eligible Measures are installed in excess of the \$2,000 maximum Participant Incentive, the amount payable by the Participant to the Program Delivery Agent or Contractor for the portion of the Work Order that is greater than \$2,000, and calculated by adding (a) the Measure Cost for each additional Eligible Measure (less the applicable Standard Incentive) multiplied by the quantity of the additional Eligible Measures installed and (b) any applicable ESA Fees.

“**Participant Eligibility Criteria**” means the eligibility criteria specified in Section 3.1.

“**Participant Incentive**” means the incentives provided to a Participant, approved by the IESO or the Program Delivery Agent in accordance with the Program Requirements and the Participant Agreement.

“**Project**” means one or more Eligible Measures that are expected to be undertaken in accordance with the eligibility requirements in Section 3.3.

“Program Delivery Agent(s)” means the service provider(s) under contract with the IESO to provide program delivery services for the SBL Program.

“Program Requirements” means the terms and conditions contained herein governing the SBL Program.

“Recognized Farm Operation” means a farm property that possesses a farm business registration number, being the six to seven-digit number administered by Agricorp, an agency of the Government of Ontario.

“Residential” means electricity consumers in Ontario that are classified as residential in the most recent Yearbook of Electricity Distributors published by the Ontario Energy Board.

“SBL Program” has the meaning given to it in Section 1.

“Standard Incentive” means the incentive amount listed in the column titled “Standard Incentives” on the “Efficient Measure List” worksheet in the Eligible Measures List that is available to the Participant for Eligible Measures installed in excess of the maximum \$2,000 Participant Incentive.

“Work Order” means the completed work order which must be signed by the Participant prior to the commencement of any work related to the installation of an Eligible Measure.