

## 2.17 AUTHORIZED CONTRACTORS

### MINIMUM CRITERIA

For those programs in which authorized contractors must provide services or products in order for the services or products to be eligible for a ThermWise rebate, contractors who desire to provide such services or products must enter into a written Authorized Contractor Agreement with the Company. The Authorized Contractor Agreement will include at least the following requirements:

1. Authorized Contractors must be licensed and in good standing to do business in all states in which they conduct business, and they and their employees, representatives and subcontractors, must have all necessary professional accreditations, registrations, training and licenses to perform all activities and services offered by the contractor, that are or may be eligible for a rebate under any of the ThermWise Energy Efficiency Programs.
2. Authorized Contractors must perform all work in a fashion that meets or exceeds all applicable statutes, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, accepted industry standards, applicable program manual requirements and minimum standards set forth by the Company. Authorized Contractors must warrant that any work they perform that is eligible for a rebate under any ThermWise program is adequate and sufficient for its intended purpose and complies with those requirements set forth above.
3. Authorized Contractors must hold a minimum of \$2 million in general liability insurance, as well as sufficient levels of workman's compensation liability insurance and automobile liability insurance to meet any obligations or liabilities it may incur in providing services or products that are eligible for rebates under any ThermWise program or in complying with the applicable Authorized Contractor Agreement.
4. Authorized Contractors must be truthful and accurate in all representations related to the ThermWise Rebate Programs' promotion and rebate opportunities. Authorized Contractors may not represent that any contractor is an affiliate or subcontractor of the Company, or that the Company endorses any contractor's services or products. Authorized Contractors must not use The Company's corporate name, logo, identity, or any alleged affiliation on any marketing materials (printed, electronic or any other medium) without the Company's prior written consent.
5. Authorized Contractors must agree to defend and indemnify the Company against any and all liabilities related to the performance of work that is or may qualify for rebates under any ThermWise Energy Efficiency Program, minimum criteria set forth in this Tariff provision, and/or any representation or action by the contractor that relates in any way to the Company, the Company's name, trademark, or any of the Company's ThermWise Energy Efficiency programs.
6. Authorized Contractors will cooperate with the Company in resolving any and all customer complaints from any of the contractor's customers relating to work that is the subject of any ThermWise rebate application. Authorized Contractors must employ commercially reasonable efforts to resolve all such customer complaints, whether made directly to the Company or not, to the complaining customer's satisfaction including, but not limited to remedying, repairing, or replacing the deficiencies at the contractor's own expense and within a time frame acceptable to the complaining customer.
7. In addition to maintaining all applicable licenses, as referenced above, Authorized Contractors offering attic, wall and/or floor insulation services eligible for a rebate under the ThermWise Weatherization Rebates Program must also maintain one or more licenses



required by the state in which the contractor performs work. Information about currently acceptable licenses can be found on the ThermWise website.

8. In addition to maintaining all applicable licenses, as referenced above, Authorized Contractors offering duct sealing and duct insulation services eligible for a rebate under the ThermWise Weatherization Rebates Program must also maintain one or more licenses required by the state in which the contractor performs work. Information about currently acceptable licenses can be found on the ThermWise website. Contractors must also submit certification they have obtained RESNET, BPI or other similar certification in order to perform work using required testing equipment and procedures.

**DENIAL OF STATUS OF AUTHORIZED CONTRACTOR**

Any Authorized Contractor who fails to comply with the minimum criteria set forth above, or who fails to comply with any term of the Authorized Contractor Agreement between the contractor and the Company, is subject to denial of Authorized Contractor status, and any work performed by a contractor not in good standing as an Authorized Contractor will be ineligible for rebates or other benefits under any ThermWise program that requires services or products to be provided by an Authorized Contractor. Removal from the Authorized Contractor program for failure to meet any minimum criteria or for breach of an Authorized Contractor Agreement is permanent and a contractor so removed will not be permitted to re-apply or to participate as an Authorized Contractor in the future.

**CURRENT LIST OF AUTHORIZED CONTRACTORS**

The Company maintains an up-to-date list of Authorized Contractors on ThermWise.com. A current list can be obtained by calling 1-888-324-3221 or by sending a request via e-mail to ThermWiseAdministrator@ThermWise.com.

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