

2.11 THERMWISE® BUILDER REBATES

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Residential homebuilders and owner-builders (Builder) can receive rebates/credits for implementing qualifying measures as shown below in the Builder Rebates Table, in newly constructed single and multi-family residences that are receiving service on the GS rate schedule.

A Builder will receive a rebate for a dwelling unit that qualifies for an energy efficient Whole House certification, based upon the rebate tiers described below. A builder may receive rebates for additional measures, including the mandatory measures for Questar Gas whole-home rebate measures.

Builders may elect to receive either a rebate check or a rebate credit for installing furnaces and/or 2 x 6 exterior walls which meet the minimum efficiency qualifications listed in the Builder Rebates Table. A rebate credit will be applied against the Company-assessed meter and service line costs (as defined in section 9.04). In the case where the rebate credit exceeds the meter and service line costs, a rebate check will be issued to the Builder for the overage. Rebate credits will be calculated using the established furnace and/or 2 x 6 exterior wall rebate amounts listed in the Builder Rebates Table. A rebate check will be the only payment option for all other measures (non-furnace and 2 x 6 exterior walls) listed in the Builder Rebates Table. Only newly constructed single family residences with natural gas space heating are eligible for participation in the rebate credit.

Rebates under the ThermWise Builder Rebates program will be paid/credited directly to a Builder for installation of qualifying energy-efficiency measures.

A Builder must take the following steps in order to receive a rebate credit:

- 1. Builder contacts the Company to begin service line and meter installation process.
- 2. Builder provides home construction details necessary to calculate service line and meter charges (e.g. setback footage, natural gas appliance types, btu input).
- 3. Builder submits the home's REScheck report to the Company and agrees in writing (by signing the Company's Service Line application) to install qualifying furnaces and/or 2 x 6 exterior walls.
- 4. Builder remits payment to the Company for the home's meter and service line charges, less rebate credit amount.

The Company will verify installation of rebate credit qualifying equipment in the participant home. If the Company determines through its verification process that the Builder did not install the qualifying equipment it agreed to install (step 3), the Company will invoice the Builder for the misapplied rebate credit as well as the meter and service line costs previously reduced by the rebate credit. Builders who fail to accurately report the equipment installed for rebate credits may be subject to disqualification from future rebate credits and/or participation in the ThermWise® Builder Rebates program.



WHOLE HOUSE CERTIFICATION

To be eligible for any of the whole house certification options a builder must install a qualifying furnace and water heater from the list of qualified measures in the ThermWise Builder Rebates Table.

THERMWISE BUILDER OPTION PACKAGE 1

Builder Certified 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) with Thermal Bypass Checklist

Builders can receive rebates for building a dwelling unit that qualifies under the 2009 IECC. Field verification and builder certification will be required before IECC 2009 builder certified rebate will be paid.

THERMWISE BUILDER OPTION PACKAGE 2

Rater Verified 2009 IECC

Builders can receive rebates for building a dwelling unit that qualifies under the 2009 IECC. Field verification and supporting documentation by home energy rater (HERS) will be required before IECC 2009 rater certified rebate will be paid.

ThermWise Energy Star Version 3.0

Builders can receive rebates for building a dwelling unit that qualifies under ENERGY STAR Version 3.0. Field verification and ENERGY STAR Version 3.0 compliance certificate by a HERS rater will be required before ENERGY STAR Version 3.0 rebate will be paid.

ThermWise High Performance Home

Builders can receive rebates for building a high performance home. To qualify a dwelling unit must meet or exceed ENERGY STAR Version 3.0 and the home must also meet or exceed a HERS index of 50. Field verification, ENERGY STAR certificate and documentation verifying the home has met the high performance home requirement will be required by a HERS rater before high performance home rebate will be paid.

MULTIFAMILY

Builders can receive a rebate check for building multi-family residences which meet program requirements. The requirements for multi-family projects are the same as those for single family projects.



MEASURES, QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND REBATE AMOUNTS

To receive a rebate, Builders must submit a completed application form and all required supporting documentation within 6 months of the initiation of gas service. The ThermWise Builder Rebates Table provides applicable measures, qualifications and rebate amounts.

SINGLE FAMILY (SF) (4 or less) & MULTIFAMILY (MF) (5 or more) THERMWISE BUILDER REBATES TABLE					
Builder Rebates Efficiency Measure	Minimum Efficiency Qualification	Single Family Rebate Amount	Multifamily Rebate Amount		
ThermWise Builder Option Package 1	Builder certified to IECC 2009 including qualifying furnace and water heater	\$50.00	\$50.00		
ThermWise Builder Option Package 2	Rater certified to IECC 2009 including qualifying furnace and water heater	\$100.00	\$100.00		
Certified to ENERGY STAR standards including qualifying furnace and water heater		\$300.00	\$200.00		
ThermWise High Performance Home	ENERGY STAR v3, meet or exceed 2006 IECC by 50%, and include qualifying furnace and water heater	\$500.00	\$300.00		
2009 IECC 2 x 6 or Equivalent Exterior Wall	R-20 or IECC 2009 code equivalent	\$350.00	\$150.00		
High-Efficiency Gas Water Heater - Tier 1	$EF \ge 0.62 < 0.67$ Minimum 40 gallon capacity	\$50.00	\$50.00		
High-Efficiency Gas Water Heater – Tier 2	EF≥ 0.67 Minimum 40 gallon capacity	\$100.00	\$100.00		
High-Efficiency Condensing Gas Storage Water Heater	EF ≥ 0.90	\$350.00	\$350.00		
High-Efficiency Hybrid Gas Water Heater	TE ≥ 90%	\$350.00	\$350.00		
Tankless Gas Water Heater – Tier 1	$EF \ge 0.82 \le 0.89$	\$300.00	\$300.00		
Tankless Gas Water Heater – Tier 2	EF ≥ 0.90	\$350.00	\$350.00		
Natural Gas Furnace – 92% AFUE	AFUE ≥ 92 < 95	\$200.00	\$200.00		
Natural Gas Furnace – 95% AFUE	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$350.00	\$350.00		
Natural Gas Furnace – 95% AFUE with ECM	AFUE ≥ 95% with ECM	\$400.00	\$400.00		
Natural Gas Furnace – 98% AFUE with ECM	AFUE ≥ 98 with ECM	\$450.00	\$450.00		



Residential Gas Boiler – Tier 1	AFUE ≥ 85% < 95%	\$400.00	\$400.00
Residential Gas Boiler – Tier 2	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$600.00	\$600.00
Solar Assisted Domestic Water Heating	Active system certified OG-300 by SRCC	\$750.00	\$750.00
Solar Assisted Pool Water Heating	Active system certified OG-100 by SRCC	\$750.00	\$750.00
R-5 Windows	U-value ≤ 0.22	\$2.50/sq.ft.	\$2.50/sq.ft.

Definitions: AFUE	Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency
HERS	Home Energy Rating System
ICEE	International Energy Conservation Code
SRCC	Solar Rating and Certification Corporation
TE	Thermal Efficiency
ECM	Electrically Commutated Motor

REBATE LIMITATIONS

Builders are eligible to receive rebates for a maximum of two (2) qualifying measures per measure type in each newly constructed dwelling unit. Mandatory space and water heating requirements exist in each Whole Home certification.

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