

Program update

The changes to the Rocky Mountain Power FinAnswer Express program have been approved by the Utah Public Service Commission and are effective as of July 24, 2010. The modifications align the FinAnswer Express program qualifications with changes to federal efficiency standards and add a new part load cooling efficiency metric for commercial HVAC equipment. Please see below for a summary of the changes made to the FinAnswer Express program

Changes for HVAC Measures:

- Removed incentives for the existing \$50/ton incentive tier for equipment that is required by federal efficiency standards in 2010.
- Added equipment efficiency tiers for higher efficiency air conditioning and heat pump equipment and provided incentives of \$75 and \$100/ton.
- Added a new size category for split system and single package unitary equipment for units $\geq 760,000$ btu/hr.
- Added the new Integrated Energy Efficiency Ratio (IEER) metric to the air conditioning equipment minimum efficiency requirements. These values will be an alternative to the current Integrated Part-Load Value (IPLV) values used to determine equipment eligibility for some air conditioners and heat pumps.

Changes for Lighting Measures:

Increased the minimum wattage for pulse start metal halide fixtures installed in new construction. This change aligns equipment eligible for incentives with the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007's mandate for a graduated phase-out on the manufacture and import of metal halide fixtures with ballasts that do not meet minimum ballast efficiency standards (i.e. most magnetic probe start ballasts).

- For pulse-start metal halide fixtures installed in new construction/major renovation projects, the minimum fixture wattage to qualify for incentives increased from 125 watts to 501 watts.

Changes for Motor Measures:

- Expanded to include premium efficiency motors up to 500 horsepower to align with current NEMA Premium size categories.
- Added a sunset date for incentives for premium efficiency motors effective December 19, 2010 when AC induction motors up to 500 horsepower will be required to meet NEMA Premium efficiency standards by the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act.
- Added a Green Motor Rewind option, including incentives for customers and motor service centers. A green motor rewind is the process whereby a used motor is rebuilt in a controlled and measured environment which results in the rebuilt motor being as energy efficient as the existing design of the motor allows. It is standard practice for larger motors to be rewound instead of replaced and this program feature is designed to prevent the 1-2% loss that typically occurs during standard practice rewinds. A leading proponent of green motor rewinds is Green Motors Practices Group[™] and additional information including a roster of approved motor service centers can be found at: <http://www.greenmotors.org>.

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Changes for Other Measures:

- Removed two programmable thermostat measures due to changes in code requirements and Energy Star standards.
- Removed the first incentive tier (Tier 1) for solid door refrigerators and freezers to align with new federal minimum efficiency standards.
- Modified the minimum efficiency requirement for vertical solid door refrigerators and freezers to align with ENERGY STAR requirements. The cubic volume tiers were expanded from three to four, to align with the ENERGY STAR categories, and incentives were added for the new tier.

For Trade Allies:

- Equipment must be purchased and installed to qualify for incentives. Equipment purchased **before** the approved effective date (listed above) will be subject to the previous FinAnswer Express eligibility criteria and incentives. Equipment purchased **on or after** the approved effective date will be subject to the new eligibility criteria and incentives.

The FinAnswer Express program website is in the process of being updated with the program changes. For complete information on the FinAnswer Express program changes please refer to the [tariff filing](#) or contact your Energy Efficiency Alliance coordinator listed below.

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