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2014 HEATING & COOLING INCENTIVE Initiative

The Ontario Power Authority (OPA) and Ontario's Local Distribution Companies are pleased to announce that the HEATING & COOLING INCENTIVE initiative will be continued for 2014.

All eligibility requirements and incentives remain the same as the 2013 Initiative.

As with the 2013 initiative, the 2014 HEATING & COOLING INCENTIVE initiative will provide the following incentives to consumers:

- A \$250 incentive for the replacement of an existing central air conditioning system with the purchase and installation of an ENERGY STAR® qualified central air conditioning system. (Note ENERGY STAR® criteria = minimum 14.5 SEER and 12.0 EER);
- A \$400 incentive for the replacement of an existing central air conditioning system with the purchase and installation of an ENERGY STAR® qualified CEE "Tier 2" level central air conditioning system. (Note CEE's "Tier 2" level means the installed product is at least 15 SEER and 12.5 EER);
- A \$250 incentive for the replacement of an existing furnace with the purchase and installation of a high

efficiency furnace equipped with an Electronically Commutated Motor (ECM)

Please note; the following systems do not qualify for the incentive:

- Heat pumps, including geothermal systems;
- Ductless systems;
- Air handlers and;
- Programmable thermostats.

All purchases and installations under the 2014 initiative must be performed by a registered participating contractor between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014. The 2014 claims must be submitted no later than February 1, 2015.

Please note: participating contractors must enter submissions within 60 days of the installation date.

Registration for 2014 Program

To register for the 2014 initiative, the OPA will require that all participating contractors sign off on the new 2014 HVAC Participation Agreement Letter. [Click here](#) to access it. We ask that you either fax the signed letters to HRAI at 905-602-1197, or you may scan & email them to us at heatingcoolingincentive@hrai.ca.

We also ask that all participating contractors ensure that their other document requirements on file with HRAI, are current and up to date for 2014 participation, such as technician's licenses; liability and automobile insurances; TSSA Registration and updated WSIB proof.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact HRAI at heatingcoolingincentive@hrai.ca.



Mandatory 1-Day Training Required for 2014 HEATING & COOLING INCENTIVE Initiative

As per prior email communications sent during the course of this year, HRAI, on behalf of the Ontario Power Authority (OPA), has been offering their 1-day AC Installation Optimization Training Program.

All technicians installing AC equipment under the 2014 H&CI initiative will be required to complete this one-day training program to be eligible to participate in the H&CI Initiative in 2014. Note: Technicians exclusively installing heating systems under the H&CI Initiative (i.e. do not install AC equipment in any capacity) are exempt from this mandatory requirement, but are welcome to attend.

The majority of the 1-day A/C Installation Optimization courses delivered during November ran at capacity and response remains high for the December scheduled sessions. To ensure that the needs of all H&CI participating companies are addressed, the training will be offered in a select number of Ontario locations in early 2014 as follows:

Barrie	March 4
Fort Frances	April 2
Kenora	April 1
London	February 25
Mississauga	February 7
	February 18
Niagara	February 11
Ottawa	February 11
Sioux Lookout	March 31
Thunder Bay	April 4

Additional dates will be added if there is sufficient demand.

Please note: to register for the course you must either register online, or complete the registration form provided and forward it to the fax number or mailing address indicated on the form. To access a copy of the registration form or to register online [click here](#).

If you have questions regarding the schedule and registration information, you may contact Angie Mantei, HRAI, at 1-800-267-2231 ext. 237, or by email at amantei@hrai.ca.

Please note: the OPA has now confirmed that all contractor companies participating in the 2014 H&CI initiative will be offered a 4 month grace period from the date they sign off on the new 2014 HVAC Participation Agreement Letter, to ensure their AC technicians complete the training.



2013 HEATING & COOLING INCENTIVE Initiative Results

The 2013 HEATING & COOLING INCENTIVE Initiative has been quite successful in reaching our targets this year! Based on our most recent numbers, with weeks still remaining, we have fully met our CAC target and we are close to meeting our ECM furnace target for 2013. If the numbers of "pending" & "submitted" submissions (completed by the contractors but not yet submitted by the consumers and those submitted by the consumers, but are still needing invoices to be submitted) are included, the initiative will exceed the targets.

Rebate	Target	Actual	% to Target	Pending	Submitted	Approved/Un Review	Total	% to Target
ECM	58,000	35,895	62%	14,831	1,127	6,064	51,853	89%
CAC	31,500	24,099	77%	7,057	492	3,871	31,648	100%
Total	89,500	59,994	67%	21,888	1,619	9,935	83,501	93%

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