SECTION 01351 – ELECTRIC REBATE PROGRAM

Brown and National Grid work together to replace existing equipment with energy-efficient alternatives and utilize more efficient equipment in new construction.

Rebates received are credited back to the individual project budgets so long as program guidelines are met on time.

Implementation Requirements:
- Project Managers shall contact the Energy & Environment Programs Coordinator (Coordinator) as soon as work involving electric installations or upgrades is identified.
- All Facilities Management projects shall participate in the rebate programs unless project managers and designers demonstrate there is no work included in the project involving mechanical and electrical equipment.

Energy Efficiency – New construction or gut renovation. Through National Grid’s Custom Projects program, incentives of up to 75% of the additional cost for efficiency upgrades are available. Even higher incentives and a wide variety of energy efficient opportunities are available through other programs.
- Project managers, architects, engineers, and contractors shall work with the Coordinator to obtain information for applicable rebates and complete applicable rebate forms.
- Details about rebates available in this category can be viewed at: https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/4_new.asp Includes: Lighting & Controls, HVAC Systems, Motors, Custom Projects, Compressed Air, and Variable Speed Drives, which A/E should always consider since they may yield higher rebates.

Energy Efficiency – Existing facilities. Through National Grid’s Custom Project program, incentives of up to 45% of the project cost are available.
- Project managers, architects, engineers, and contractors shall work with the Coordinator to obtain information for applicable rebates and complete applicable rebate forms.
- Details about rebates available in this category can be viewed at https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/4_existing.asp
- A wider range of lighting rebate measures is available under this program.
- Includes Lighting & Controls, HVAC Systems, Motors, Custom Projects, Compressed Air, and Variable Speed Drives

Motor Up – Premium Efficiency Motor Initiative
- Project managers, architects, engineers, and contractors shall complete and file this rebate form where applicable.
- New construction, motor replacement, or renovation projects are eligible for this program.
- Electrical and Mechanical Engineers must review the efficiency standards
- For new construction and failed motor replacement see http://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/5_motors.asp

Guidelines for Lighting Design – High Efficiency Fixtures
- High efficiency fixtures are eligible for higher rebate amounts than the basic lamp and ballast upgrades. You will receive higher rebates and install a higher quality lighting job. Instruct lighting designers to specify these fixtures in all applicable projects. Eligible equipment lists can be found on National Grid’s Lighting and Controls webpage: https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/5_light.asp
RFP AND BID LANGUAGE - INCLUDE IN ALL APPLICABLE RFP AND BID PROJECT DOCUMENTS

1. The design team shall obtain and review the National Grid rebate guidelines and determine applicability.
2. All applicable equipment shall be specified to meet or exceed efficiency standards and compliance requirements for the rebate program. Note that some efficiency measures are no longer eligible for rebates because they are now required by state building code, and shall be specified to meet or exceed minimum code even for in-kind replacement projects.
3. The architects and engineers shall be responsible for completing the rebate applications and submitting them to the project manager for review and submission. Rebates are paid to Brown University.
4. In general conditions and in sections 16100 and 15100
   - Include general provision that contractor shall comply with all requirements of the National Grid rebate program for energy efficiency for all applicable equipment.
   - Contractor shall provide required invoices for equipment related to the High Performance Design and rebate submission.
5. The controls vendor shall assist A/E’s with the HVAC forms related to control points.

PROCESS FOR COMPLETING AND SUBMITTING FORMS

1. Applications for rebates shall be completed and submitted to the Energy & Environmental Programs Coordinator prior to the start of construction.
2. The rebate applications will be submitted to National Grid.
3. Once the rebate application is reviewed by National Grid, an approval letter, rejection letter, or request for clarification will be sent to the Coordinator. The Director will review the approval letters and, upon his approval the Coordinator will sign and return an electronic copy to National Grid. A copy of the approval letter will be filed electronically and in the Rebate notebook. Rejection letters and requests for clarification will be forwarded to the appropriate project manager and follow-up actions, if any, tracked.
4. When the project is completed, any required invoices, cut sheets and letters must be completed and submitted to the Coordinator for transmittal to the Director and/or National Grid.

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National Grid rebate worksheets are available on the National Grid web site: https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/3_large.asp