

GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
Office of the Governor
VIRGIN ISLANDS ENERGY OFFICE



**ENERGY EFFICIENCY & RENEWABLE ENERGY
FINANCIAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM
CONSUMER INFORMATION PACKAGE**

2020 - 2021



"THIS PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY UNDER AWARD EE008301"




REBATES ARE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

LAST UPDATED NOVEMBER 2020

PROGRAM COMMENCEMENT DATE

December 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021

(or the exhaustion of funds, whichever comes first)

40% Rebates for Outdoor Solar Lighting, Solar Water Heaters, Portable Power Stations with Solar Panels, Zero Emission Vehicles (EVs), EV Charging Stations and/or Cables, and select ENERGY STAR® products	
Total rebate not to exceed \$5,000 per program cycle	
<i>Eligible items must be purchased from a USVI business!</i>	
<u>Outdoor Solar Lighting</u>	<u>Battery-Powered Inverter Generators</u>
<u>Solar Water Heater Systems</u>	Portable Power Stations with Solar Panels <i>(Must be approved or listed by the Underwriters Laboratories (UL))</i>
MUST BE ICC-SRCC™ CERTIFIED  	MAXIMUM BATTERY CAPACITY 5,000 WATT-HOURS  
OG-100 Collector 120 Gallons or less	OG-300 System 120-Gallons or less
Solar Water Heater Systems MUST be purchased from a VIEO Approved Vendor	<u>Zero Emission Vehicles</u>
Maximum two (2) solar water heater systems per program cycle	All Electric Vehicles (EVs)
** Applicant must provide a copy of the contractor's USVI business license to qualify for a rebate on the installation of the solar water heater system not installed by a VIEO Approved Vendor	<u>EV Charging Stations and/or Cables</u>
	Level 1 EV charging station – 120 V Level 2 EV charging station – 220/240 V
<u>Look for the ENERGY STAR® label for the following products:</u>	
Air Purifiers <i>(Room Air Cleaners)</i>	Imaging Equipment <i>(Printers)</i>
Ceiling Fans	Light Fixtures
Clothes Dryers (Electric & Gas)	Refrigerators
Clothes Washers	Roof Coating
Commercial & Residential Dishwashers	Skylights
Commercial & Residential Freezers	Smart Thermostats
Computers <i>(Desktops, Laptops, Slates and Tablets)</i>	Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS)
Dehumidifiers	Ventilation Fans
Doors	Water Coolers
Gas Tankless Water Heaters	Windows
Heat Pump Water Heaters	<i>(Low-emissivity (Low-E) glazing, Awning, Casement, Double-hung, Fixed, Hopper, and Sliding Types)</i>



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PROGRAM CYCLE: DECEMBER 1, 2020 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2021



Please check off and attach all of the following: (INCOMPLETE AND UNSIGNED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed rebate application (<i>all highlighted areas filled out</i>) | For small businesses: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed IRS W-9 form (<i>with mailing address noted</i>) | <input type="checkbox"/> USVI business license |
| <input type="checkbox"/> USVI government issued identification | <input type="checkbox"/> VI WAPA electric bill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL sales receipt (<i>photocopies will not be accepted</i>) | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit or Not-for-Profit documents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ENERGY STAR ® product verification information | Verified & Received by VIEO: _____ |
| | <small>Employee's Initial/Date</small> |

Section A: Applicant Information

Application # _____ Residential Business Non-Profit or Not-for-Profit **Grant # EE-0008301**

Name: (Last, First, Middle Initial) _____

Social Security Number or EIN: _____ **E-mail Address:** _____

Installation/Physical Address: _____

Current Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **Mobile/Cell:** _____ **Historic Building:** Yes No

Section B: Approved Vendor and Product Information

Vendor's Name: _____	Item: _____
Address: _____	Brand Name/Make: _____
City/State/Zip _____	Model #: _____
Vendor's Signature: _____	Serial #/VIN: _____
Title of Business Representative: _____	SWH System Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Open Loop <input type="checkbox"/> Thermosiphon
Item Price: _____	SRCC Rating: <input type="checkbox"/> OG-100 <input type="checkbox"/> OG-300
Quoted Rebate: _____	Tank Size (gal.): S1 _____ S2 _____
Purchase Date: _____	Model/Serial #: S1 _____ S2 _____
RECEIPT #: _____	Collector Size (ft²): S1 _____ S2 _____
EV Range: _____	Model/Serial #: S1 _____ S2 _____

Note: (S1 = first SWH system, S2 = second SWH system)

I certify that all information supplied herein is true and correct. I understand that the VIEO reserves the right to inspect items to ensure installation at the above address. Failure to install rebate items at the address listed above will result in repayment or return of rebate funds. **I understand that non-compliance with the rebate program rules and regulations is considered fraudulent and prosecutable, and that payment is contingent on the availability of funds.**

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

QUESTIONNAIRE

- Are you buying this item as a homeowner tenant landlord small business owner?
- Is the installation single-family residence 2-4 family residence condominium commercial space?
- Major reason for making this purchase replacement necessity remodeling new home/business energy savings
- If a replacement, is the new unit a smaller size same size larger size an additional unit
- Would you have purchased this item if the rebate were not offered? Yes No
- What will you do with the old item? discard give away sell trade-in continue to use

PLEASE HELP US DETERMINE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PROGRAM BY ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- Have you received a rebate from the VIEO before? If yes, year(s) _____
Item(s): _____
- Household size: 1-3 4-6 7 or more
- Household income: \$19,000-\$39,999 \$40,000+

ENERGY EFFICIENCY & RENEWABLE ENERGY FINANCIAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

WHO CAN APPLY?	HOW TO APPLY?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ This rebate offer applies only to legal residents of the U.S. Virgin Islands. To claim residency, applicant MUST be domiciled (established as your PRIMARY residence) in the Territory. The VIEO reserves the right to request proof of residency, i.e., VI income tax return or USVI government issued identification (<i>driver's license, voter's ID card, or senior citizen ID card</i>). ◆ Small businesses (VI WAPA electric bill with an average of 2,500 kWh/month or less) ◆ Non-profits or Not-for-Profit organizations ◆ REBATES ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR GOVERNMENT PURCHASES. ◆ Applicants may submit a separate application as an individual resident, as well as a small business owner. Applicants can submit one application as an individual and one as a small business owner, each not to exceed a rebate amount of \$5,000. The IRS W-9 information must reflect the respective mailing address. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Applications can be obtained from the VIEO offices, online at energy.vi.gov and Facebook @VirginIslandsEnergyOffice, or participating vendors. ◆ Rebate applications MUST be submitted to the VIEO within 30 CALENDAR DAYS of purchase – NO EXCEPTION! ◆ Name on the rebate application, IRS W-9 form, and sale receipt MUST be the same! ◆ Complete all information including the questionnaire, which is used for data collection in determining future grant opportunities. ◆ Make sure that the vendor completes and signs Section B. ◆ Submit in person to: Virgin Islands Energy Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ST. CROIX – 41 Estate Mars Hill, Frederiksted ○ ST. THOMAS – 4605 Tutu Park Mall, Suite 231 ◆ Send by email to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ST. CROIX – melissa.carter@eo.vi.gov ○ ST. THOMAS – molissa.brin@eo.vi.gov ◆ Apply online at http://energy.vi.gov
WHAT DO YOU NEED?	PROGRAM RULES AND REGULATIONS:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Rebate application ◆ IRS W-9 form (with applicant's mailing address) ◆ USVI government issued identification (unexpired driver's license, voter's ID card, or senior citizen ID card) ◆ Original sales receipt with the product information and pricing itemized. The receipt or invoice must show that ALL items were "paid in full" or show a zero balance. Rebates are processed <u>after</u> payment of the full invoice amount. ◆ ENERGY STAR® product verification. Visit www.energystar.gov/productfinder/, to download the product information sheet or provide the EnergyGuide label, product packaging, appliance or user manual showing the ENERGY STAR® logo (with the model number clearly indicated) ◆ Small commercial business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current business license ○ VI WAPA electric bill ◆ Non-profit or Not-for-Profit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 501(c)(3) Verification Letter ○ Articles of Incorporation ○ Certificate of Good Standing <p>Please call our office in St. Croix at (340) 713-8436 or St. Thomas at (340) 714-8436, if you have any questions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ REBATES ARE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDS. THEREFORE, THIS PROGRAM MAY BE TERMINATED AT ANY TIME WITHIN THE PROGRAM CYCLE. ◆ All eligible items MUST be purchased from a business in the U.S. Virgin Islands. ◆ The eligible rebate amount cannot exceed \$5,000 per household per program cycle. ◆ The VIEO reserves the right to share payment (rebate) information with the VI Bureau of Internal Revenue. ◆ The VIEO reserves the right to inspect items to ensure that they are installed at the address listed on the rebate application. <u>Non-compliance will result in a request for the return of funds by the applicant and/or prosecution for fraud.</u> ◆ Solar water heater systems must be installed and operational within 60 days of the purchase date. Once the system(s) are installed, the vendor or applicant must notify the VIEO to schedule an inspection. Rebates will only be issued on operational ICC-SRCC™ rated systems verified by a VIEO site inspection. ◆ Pursuant to federal law 10 CFR§ 420.13(b)(6): The VIEO State Energy Program (SEP) will not implement any market title activity involving the purchase or installation of materials or equipment to weatherize or otherwise supplement its existing Weatherization Program(s) targeting low-income households. ◆ The VIEO reserves the right to add, delete or change the program rules at our discretion. Modification to the rebate application is not allowed.

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate	Exempt payee code (if any) _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____ Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.	Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	<i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)
6 City, state, and ZIP code		
7 List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.