

# Residential Deliverable-Fuel-Heated Homes — Weatherization Assistance

## Purposes

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This Residential Deliverable Fuels Program allows for residents who heat their homes with oil, propane, or other deliverable fuels to receive weatherization assistance. The goal of the program is to save energy, create environmental benefits, lower residential heating bills and keep houses warmer.

In August, 2010, RIOER began offering consumer incentives for residents who heat their homes with deliverable fuels to make energy efficiency improvements through National Grid's EnergyWise program.

Residents who heat with oil and propane can request a free home energy assessment from National Grid's EnergyWise program. Once the home energy assessment is completed, participants will have 90 days to complete the installation of recommended improvements and submit their request for incentive payment.

No application for an incentive will be accepted unless an EnergyWise home assessment is completed in 2011 prior to the installation of recommended improvements.

## How much funding is available for the program?

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A total of \$2.3 million was initially allocated to administering the program and providing rebates to Rhode Island residents that heat their homes with deliverable fuels. **As of August 23, 2011, an additional \$600,000 has now been made available by the RIOER.**

## How does the program work?

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Under this program, residents who heat with oil and propane can request a free home energy assessment through National Grid's EnergyWise program. The home energy assessment will recommend weatherization and other efficiency measures that may include:

- Insulation of attics, walls, floors, ducts and pipes
- Air and duct sealing
- Attic ventilation
- Installation of programmable thermostats
- Replacement of heating systems over 15 years old, and/or
- Replacement of water heaters over 10 years old

Your home energy assessment will include confirmation in writing that the rebate offer is open to you. The terms of the offering and deadlines for action will be described at that time. Eligible residents will be able to select a contractor to perform any of the weatherization measures that were recommended after the National Grid energy assessment.

Upon completion of the work, residents will be eligible to receive rebates on 25% of the total cost of recommended energy efficiency improvements for a maximum of \$2,250 per home. This program will not pay to switch the fuel that is used to heat a home.

## How can residents that heat with deliverable fuels request an EnergyWise home energy assessment?

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**For more information on the EnergyWise program, please call 1-888-633-7947 or visit <https://www.powerofaction.com/rireenergywise/>**