

# 2026 New Construction Rebate Program

## Colorado: Commercial Gas Customers

### How To Participate

To get started, please complete the online application or send the completed application form to the address listed below or sign up at <https://energyassistance.willdan.com/BlackHillsEnergy>. Be sure to include your contact information, building size and type and anticipated project schedule. Our consultants will determine if your project qualifies for the program. Upon acceptance of your application, we will begin the energy design step. This step typically begins at the end of schematic design or the early design development.

### Application Checklist

Follow these simple steps to begin the program:

- Completely fill out application or apply online at <https://energyassistance.willdan.com/BlackHillsEnergy> (mandatory)**
- Review Terms and Conditions and sign and date application
- Make and retain copies of all documents and application
- Send application to correct address listed on page for pre-qualification screening

### Terms And Conditions

#### General Eligibility

1. The Commercial New Construction program is available to retail natural gas customers where the new construction or retrofit building is in a Black Hills Energy Colorado service territory.
2. Proposed projects not meeting the screening requirements may still be eligible to apply for Commercial Prescriptive and Custom rebates offered by Black Hills Energy.
3. A minimum energy savings of 5 percent better than IECC 2012 and ASHRAE 90.1-2010 is required for construction incentives to be awarded. Minimum square footage is 5,000 to be eligible.
4. Funding for these rebates is limited. Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis.
5. This program is subject to regulatory rules and orders, and Black Hills Energy reserves the right to change or to end any portion of this program without notice.
6. For Customers participating in this program, measures included in your project will be ineligible for other energy efficiency programs offered by Black Hills Energy.

#### Return Application To:

Black Hills Energy  
c/o Commercial New Construction  
10858 Meridith Drive, Urbandale, IA 50332

- Or -

Fax your application to 952-938-1480

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information or assistance in completing your application can be obtained by calling **877-939-1874** or by visiting [energy-ready.com](http://energy-ready.com).

## Building Systems Analyzed

There are a wide variety of building systems analyzed during the Energy Design including:

- Glazing systems and window layouts
- Daylighting controls
- Envelope systems
- Lighting controls and lighting designs
- Heating and cooling systems
- Load-responsive fan and pump motor controls
- Outside air control systems

When beginning to design a building, incorporating energy efficient options makes excellent business sense. Being efficient gives your business a competitive advantage by helping you to lower your operating costs; that means you can save money that might otherwise go towards energy bills.

Our Commercial New Construction program can help identify and implement strategies to make your business energy efficient.

## Tax Information

Rebates may be subject to federal and/or state income tax reporting. The applicant is responsible for contacting a qualified tax advisor to determine tax liability. Black Hills Energy is not responsible for any tax consequences of the rebate program. Consult your tax advisor for any applicable federal tax credit incentives available for installation of energy-efficient equipment.

## Disclaimer

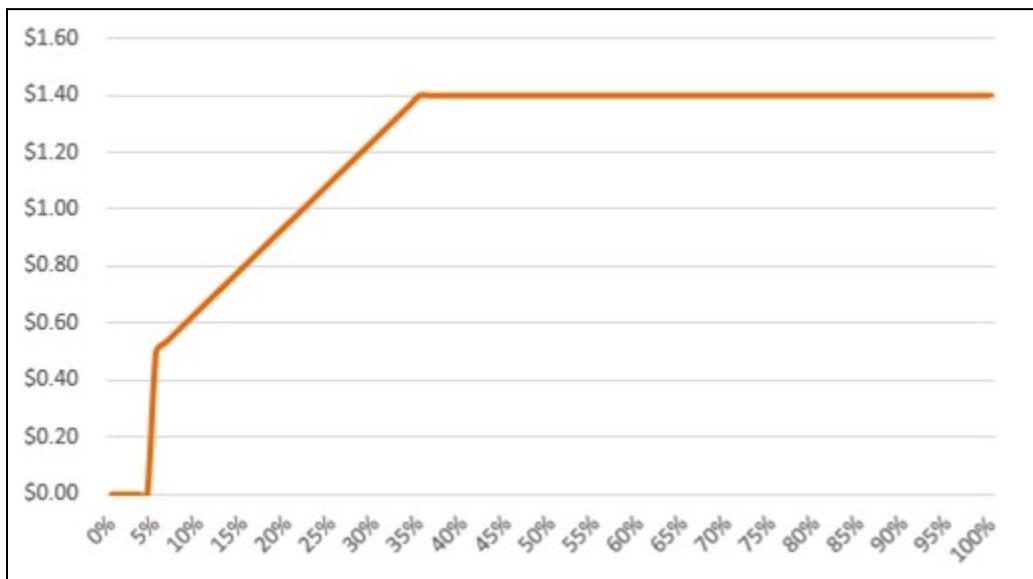
Black Hills Energy does not guarantee that installation of equipment qualifying for rebates will result in reduced energy usage or demand, or in cost savings. The Customer will hold harmless Black Hills Energy and its officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees, and representatives from all claims, liabilities, fines, interest, costs, expenses, and damages incurred by the Customer, for any damage, injury, death, loss or destruction of any kind to persons or property, to the extent the damage, injury, death, loss or destruction arises out of or is related to the conduct, negligence, willful misconduct, misrepresentation, breach of warranty or other breach of this rebate form on the part of Black Hills Energy.

## Energy Design Steps

1. Start by having the design team or owner submit the application form to pre-qualify your project. Ideally, this should be done as early in the design process as possible. Fill out the application located on the back page of this brochure or apply online at <https://energyassistance.willdan.com/BlackHillsEnergy> to begin the process.
2. The Black Hills Energy team will review and screen the project to verify it meets all program guidelines.
3. If the project passes the screening process then a Black Hills Energy design consultant will facilitate meetings with your design team to develop optional energy conservation strategies and estimate incremental costs.
4. Our energy design consultant will provide a final energy design report to both the owner and the design team. This report will describe implementation, energy savings and simple paybacks for potential strategies.
5. The building owner and design team will choose the strategies that will be incorporated into construction based on the financial incentives awarded after completion, to help build energy efficient from the start.

## Design Incentives

Black Hills Energy contracts with an independent energy design consultant to facilitate design team planning of various energy-saving strategies. A design team incentive is provided to the owner's team of professionals assisting in the Commercial New Construction program to help offset expenses associated with program participation. The design team payment is a one-time lump sum amount paid to the design team lead and is based on the program size. Payment occurs upon receipt of the final energy verification report.



## Construction Incentives

Construction incentives are paid to the building owner based on the natural gas savings modeled and verified as installed by Black Hills Energy. The site must have a minimum area of 5,000 square feet. A minimum energy savings of 5 percent better than IECC 2012 and ASHRAE 90.1-2010 are required for construction incentives to be awarded. Incentives are paid to the owner/developer upon receipt of the final energy verification report. Incentives are offered starting at 50 cents per therm saved at the level of 5 percent better than IECC 2012 and ASHRAE 90.1-2010. Incentives climb to 1.40 per therm saved at 35 percent better than the baseline, with a \$25,000 per project cap. Incentives cannot reduce overall payback to less than one year.

## Commercial New Construction Program Overview

Square Footage	Design Team Incentive	Services	Minimum Energy Savings	Construction Incentive
5-15k	\$1,000	<b>Two meetings:</b> Kick off; building systems optimization for one to three systems (depending on building complexity); implementation, verification.	5% better than IECC 2012 and ASHRAE 90.1-2010	\$0.50-\$1.40/therm up to \$25,000
>15k	\$3,500			

Please make copies of this form and save the original for future use or download additional copies at [energy-ready.com](http://energy-ready.com)

<b>Project Information</b>		
Company Name:	Contact Name:	
Email Address:	Telephone:	
Project Name:	Building Type:	
Project Location:	City/State:	ZIP:
Construction Type: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Retrofit/Renovation	Project Square Footage:	
Account Number (Located in upper right-hand corner of Black Hills Energy natural gas bill, if active)	Gas Service Provided by: <input type="checkbox"/> Black Hills Energy <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

<b>Design Information</b>		
<b>Architecture Firm</b>	Email Address:	
Contact Name:	Telephone:	
<b>Mechanical Engineering Firm</b>	Email Address:	
Contact Name:	Telephone:	
<b>Electrical Engineering Firm</b>	Email Address:	
Contact Name:	Telephone:	
<b>Owner's Representative</b>	Email Address:	
Contact Name:	Telephone:	
<b>Design Build Firm</b>	Email Address:	
Contact Name:	Telephone:	

<b>Project Schedule</b>			
	Start Date	End Date	Notes on schedule
Schematic Design			
Design Development			
Arch. Construction Documents			
M/E Construction Documents			
Construction Completion			

<b>Design Considerations (willingness to consider energy-saving alternatives):</b>							
Very			Somewhat			Not at all	
Orientation/Building Layout	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Daylighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glazing Type & Window Layout	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Envelope Alternatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lighting Controls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighting Design	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HVAC Efficiency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Load-responsive Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outside Air Control Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Type of HVAC System	_____		
Other Items You Are Considering							
<b>Owner Signature:</b>	<b>Date Signed:</b>						

<b>For Black Hills Energy Use</b>		
Date Received:	Date Approved:	Rebate Amount: