

**Only new construction homes with active NIPSCO service between January 1, 2026 – November 30, 2026 are eligible. Application and paperwork must be postmarked within 90 days of rater completion date.**

Applications for homes submitted after October 31, 2026 must be postmarked by November 30, 2026. Applications postmarked after November 30, 2026 will begin processing in January 2027 dependent on program availability, funding and eligibility.

## Application Instructions

### 1. Verify Eligibility

- The new construction home must have corresponding active NIPSCO service (electric and/or natural gas) at the time of rating.
- New homes must be detached single family, duplex, townhouses or multi-family end-unit type homes to qualify. Refer to page 4, term 1, for complete property clarification.
- New homes must meet minimum requirements for ENERGY STAR® 3.1 (Rev 13), Exhibit 1, zone 5 for heating, cooling and water equipment. ENERGY STAR® home certification is not required.
- Projects must be submitted through a HERS/ENERGY STAR® Rater and be entered on the NIPSCO Ekotrope site.
- This Program offering is only available to home building

companies of new construction homes.

- Visit [NIPSCO.com/RNC](http://NIPSCO.com/RNC) to ensure the home build meets rebate eligibility requirements. If you are unsure, call TRC at 1-800-721-7385.

### 2. Complete and Sign Application

- Select the requested rebate and complete all fields. Account holder is required to sign the application.
- Only one build per NIPSCO account address can be submitted per application.
- Carefully read the program terms and conditions.

### 3. Submit Signed Application and Required Paperwork

- Completed and signed application.

## Project Information

Account Information (as shown on NIPSCO bill)				
NIPSCO Account Number (REQUIRED)		NIPSCO Residential Service Type (check ONE)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Electric & Natural Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Only <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas Only		
Name of NIPSCO Account Holder				
New Home Address	Apt/Unit #	City	State	Zip Code
Home Builder Information				
Home Builder Company Name				
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	
Contact Person	Email Address	Phone Number (with area code)		
Energy Rating Company Information				
Energy Rating Company Name				
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	
Contact Person	Email Address	Phone Number (with area code)		
Payee/Mailing Information for Rebate Check				
Payee Full Name		Check Payable to (check ONE)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Home Builder <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Rating Company		
Payee Mailing Address	Apt/Unit #	City	State	Zip Code
<i>The following information is required if rebate is paid to a contractor, home builder or energy rating company:</i>				
Federal Tax ID or SSN #		Federal Tax Classification (check ONE)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt <input type="checkbox"/> LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		

**Residential New Construction Rebates**

**Requirements:** Please check the requested rebate and complete all fields. Homes that are submitted for and receive a rebate in the New Construction Program are **not eligible for HVAC and water heater rebates through the Energy Efficiency Rebate Program or instant discounts in the Online Marketplace** for a period of three (3) years after date of new construction rebate.

<b>Total Rebate Requested</b>
\$

**Home Systems Information**  
New homes must meet minimum requirements for ENERGY STAR 3.1, Exhibit 1, zone 5 for heating, cooling and water equipment.

<b>HVAC</b>	Heating (Required)	Choose 1: <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas Heat <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Heat* <input type="checkbox"/> None*		
	Heating System Efficiency	_____ % <i>Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency (AFUE)</i> Minimum Requirements: 95 AFUE ENERGY STAR gas furnace / 90 AFUE ENERGY STAR gas boiler		
	Cooling (Required)	Choose 1: <input type="checkbox"/> Central AC <input type="checkbox"/> Window AC <input type="checkbox"/> Heat Pump** <input type="checkbox"/> None**		
		Cooling System Efficiency	_____ <b>SEER2</b> <i>Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating</i> Minimum SEER2 Requirements = 12.4 SEER2 Minimum CZ 5 Requirements: 9.25 HSPF / 15 SEER air-source w/electric or dual-fuel backup	
<b>Water</b>	Water Heating (Required)	Choose 1: <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Electric <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
		Water Heating System Efficiency	_____ <b>Gal /</b> _____ <b>UEF</b> Gas-fired instantaneous water Heaters (tankless), must meet a minimum of UEF ≥ 0.95 Please reference Direct Hot Water (DHW) equipment minimum requirements in table below. <sup>1</sup>	

\* New Construction homes using ground source heat pumps (geothermal) or dual fuel systems (a heat pump used in conjunction with a gas furnace) are only eligible for an electric rebate through the Residential New Construction program.  
 \*\* Homes with no cooling are not eligible for the Electric Rebate.

**<sup>1</sup> Direct Hot Water (DHW) equipment minimum requirements:**

<b>Gas</b>	30 Gal = 0.62 UEF	40 Gal = 0.59 UEF	50 Gal = 0.57 UEF	60 Gal = 0.55 UEF	70 Gal = 0.53 UEF	80 Gal = 0.51 UEF
<b>Electric</b>	30 Gal = 0.93 UEF	40 Gal = 0.92 UEF	50 Gal = 0.92 UEF	60 Gal = 0.91 UEF	70 Gal = 0.91 UEF	80 Gal = 0.90 UEF

**ENERGY STAR® Home Certification Information\* (Not Required)**

<b>ENERGY STAR® Home Certification (3.1 or 3.2) Date</b>	Choose 1: <input type="checkbox"/> Certification 3.1 <input type="checkbox"/> Certification 3.2	_____ / _____ / _____ Month / Day / Year
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*ENERGY STAR® 3.1 or 3.2 home certification is not required, but if certification has been achieved, please submit copy of certification upon application submission.*

**Rebate Information (check ONE)**

Area – Conditioned Space (Sq. Ft.)	Electric Customer	Gas Customer	Combo Customer
1,000-2,000	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$150</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$150</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$300</b>
2,001-3,000	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$250</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$250</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$500</b>
3,001-4,000	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$350</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$350</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$700</b>
Greater than 4,001	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$450</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$450</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$900</b>

**Rebate Information**

HVAC Measures	Electric Customer	Gas Customer	Combo Customer
Central AC (≥16.2 SEER2)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$500</b>	<b>X</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$500</b>
Central AC (≥17.2 SEER2)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$600</b>	<b>X</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$600</b>
High-Efficiency Furnace (≥96 AFUE)	<b>X</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$200</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$200</b>
High-Efficiency Furnace (≥97 AFUE)	<b>X</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$250</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$250</b>

1. New Construction electric and natural gas home must have NIPSCO residential electric and natural gas service, an electric cooling system, and utilize natural gas for all space heating to be eligible.
2. The maximum NIPSCO Residential New Construction rebate value may not exceed \$1,750 per qualifying home.
3. New Construction electric only homes must have NIPSCO residential electric service AND the home must have an electric cooling system to be eligible.
4. New Construction natural gas service only homes must have NIPSCO residential natural gas service AND the home must utilize natural gas for all space heating to be eligible.
5. New Construction homes using ground source heat pumps (geothermal) or dual fuel systems (a heat pump used in conjunction with a gas furnace) are only eligible for an electric rebate through the Residential New Construction program.

**Additional Information**

**How did you hear about NIPSCO’s Residential New Construction Program? (Please check all that apply)**

- Contractor/Vendor: \_\_\_\_\_
- In-Person Event: \_\_\_\_\_
- Direct Mail
- NIPSCO Website
- NIPSCO/Program Representative
- Radio
- Program Email
- TV
- Social Media
- Friend/Family
- Online or Mobile Ad
- Billboards or Outdoor Advertising
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Builder Signature (REQUIRED)**

ACCEPTANCE OF PROGRAM TERMS AND CONDITIONS	
I have read the Terms and Conditions and met all Program requirements outlined in this application. I certify that all information provided on this application and supporting documentation is true and correct. I agree to participate in any inspection requested by NIPSCO or its third-party implementer, TRC, as it pertains to the Residential New Construction Program.	
_____ Home Builder Signature (REQUIRED)	_____ Date (REQUIRED)
<b>INSTANT DISCOUNT OPTION.</b> This section is only required when the Energy Rating Company receives the rebate. Both Home Builder and HERS Rater signatures are required.	
If, as the Energy Rating Company, I am submitting an Instant Discount application, I certify that I have provided the full rebate as an instant discount to the Home Builder listed on this application. I have explained to the Home Builder that the rebate he/she qualifies for has been applied as a discount off the purchase price of the rating service, and she/he will not be eligible to receive a rebate for equipment installed in the home through the Energy Efficiency Rebate Program. Submitted with this application is the required invoice clearly itemizing the amount of the rebate provided as a discount to the Home Builder. I understand the Home Builder may be selected to participate in an inspection by NIPSCO or its third-party implementer, TRC, as it pertains to the rebate program.	
_____ Energy Rating Company Signature	_____ Date
_____ Home Builder Signature	_____ Date

**Submit Your Application**

**To be considered COMPLETE, please:**

- Complete and sign the application.
- Submit the project through Ekotrope.
- Provide ENERGY STAR® certification (not required)

Email to (preferred):	Mail to:	Fax to:
NIPSCO.SaveEnergy@TRCcompanies.com Please submit <b>one application per email.</b>	RNC Rebate Program c/o TRC PO Box 14237 Merrillville, IN 46411	1-877-511-5032

If you provide an email address on this application, Program correspondence and rebate updates will be sent via email, and you may also receive an optional Program satisfaction survey.

Please allow up to eight (8) weeks after application is received by the Program to receive your rebate, unless an inspection is required. If an inspection is required, the rebate payment may be delayed. Incomplete applications cannot be processed and may result in payment being delayed beyond eight (8) weeks or denied completely.

**Funds are limited and applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. The Program is subject to changes and may end without prior notice. Keep a copy of this application and all of your supporting documentation for your records.**

**Questions? Call TRC at 1-800-721-7385 to speak with a Program representative.**

## Program Terms and Conditions

- 1. Home Eligibility:** Offer is valid for home builders that are building homes with Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) residential natural gas service (limited to residential rates 311, 315 and 351), and/or residential electric service (limited to residential rate 611), depending on the rebate being requested. Rebate payments will be made to the home builder (with the exception of eligible Instant Discount applications) unless otherwise indicated on this form. NIPSCO's Residential New Construction Program is available for qualifying new construction homes. Offer is valid for new construction homes with active NIPSCO service from January 1, 2026 to November 30, 2026. For a current list of program requirements, visit [NIPSCO.com/RNC](http://NIPSCO.com/RNC) or call TRC at 1-800-721-7385. New construction homes must be detached single-family, duplex, townhouse or multi-family end unit type home to be eligible. Homes must be built conforming to all applicable building, local, state, and federal codes, standards, ordinances and regulations, and manufacturer's specifications. Single-fuel homes (those having only NIPSCO natural gas service or only NIPSCO electric service) are only eligible for the incentive that corresponds with the home service type. Homes with a ground source heat pump (geothermal) or dual fuel system (where a heat pump is used in conjunction with a gas furnace) are only eligible for an electric rebate through the Residential New Construction program.

Following the Eligibility Requirements for the ENERGY STAR Single-Family New Homes Version 3.1 (Rev 13), only Dwellings and Townhouses are considered eligible. Requirements define Dwellings and Townhouses as follows:

A Dwelling, as defined by ANSI / RESNET / ICC 301, is any building that contains one or two Dwelling Units used, intended, or designed to be built, used, rented, leased, let or hired out to be occupied, or that are occupied for living purposes. ANSI / RESNET / ICC 301 defines a Dwelling Unit as a single unit providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation.

A Townhouse, as defined by ANSI / RESNET / ICC 301, is a single-family Dwelling Unit constructed in a group of three or more attached units in which each unit extends from the foundation to roof and with open space on at least two sides. Townhouses are also eligible to earn the ENERGY STAR through the ENERGY STAR Multifamily New Construction Program.

- 2. Application Eligibility:** Applications must be completed in full and accompanied by the required documentation. Applications must be postmarked within 90 days of rater completion date. Applications for homes rated after October 31, 2026 must be postmarked no later than November 30, 2026, to be considered eligible for rebates. Applications postmarked after November 30, 2026 will begin processing in January 2027 dependent on program availability, funding, and eligibility. Funds are limited and applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. The Program is subject to change and may end without prior notice. **The Program is subject to change and may end without prior notice.**
- 3. Rebate Payment:** The maximum NIPSCO Residential New Construction rebate value may not exceed \$1,750 per qualifying home. However, NIPSCO makes no guarantee that the applicant's rebate will reach the maximum value or that the applicant will receive a rebate whatsoever. Rebates will only be paid to one person or entity (home builder or ENERGY STAR rater, not both). NIPSCO will only pay one rebate for each qualifying home. **Allow up to eight (8) weeks after application is received by the Program to receive your rebate, unless an inspection is required. Rebate payments may be delayed during times of high program participation. Incomplete applications cannot be processed.** Failure to complete the rebate application in full and provide the required supporting documentation may delay the payment process or result in your application being denied. The home builder is responsible for their ENERGY STAR Rater submitting a rebate application as a convenience (not an instant discount) to them (the home builder). The home builder is also responsible for timely follow-up to ensure the application was submitted within 90 days of rater completion date. Failure to submit a rebate application within 90 days of the rater completion date may result in denial of rebate payment. Receipt of an application does not guarantee payment of a rebate. The Program is not responsible for items (e.g. application, supporting documentation, rebate checks) lost or damaged in the mail.
- 4. Instant Discount Option:** If an ENERGY STAR Rater chooses to do so, the rebate may be offered at the time of sale as an "instant discount" to the home builder. If an instant discount is provided, the home builder must sign the application acknowledging that they received the rebate as a discount off the total purchase price of the ENERGY STAR Rating. The ENERGY STAR Rater submits the rebate application on behalf of the home builder and if eligible, will receive the rebate payment directly. By signing the application, the home builder releases submission of the application and the payment of the rebate to the ENERGY STAR Rater. As part of quality assurance, home builders may be contacted to verify that an instant discount was received.
- 5. Rebate Recipient:** Recipients of the Residential New Construction rebate must sign the application, acknowledging the terms and conditions of the program and the requirements. If the instant discount option is selected, the home builder must sign the application, acknowledging receipt of the instant discount and releasing payment of the rebate to the ENERGY STAR Rater. The ENERGY STAR Rater must complete and submit the application on behalf of the home builder, with the signature of an authorized representative of the home builder, to be eligible for participation in the Program.
- 6. Other NIPSCO Residential Energy Efficiency Rebate Programs:** Homes participating in the Residential New Construction Program are not eligible to participate in the Energy Efficiency Rebates Program. Homes that are submitted for and receive a rebate in the New Construction Program are not eligible for HVAC and water heater rebates through the Energy Efficiency Rebate Program or instant discounts in the Online Marketplace for a period of three (3) years after the application date.
- 7. Verification:** NIPSCO reserves the right to verify sales receipts and/or installations of equipment and services before issuing rebates. All equipment installations are subject to verification by the Program to ensure the equipment is installed and operating. An inspection may be conducted to verify installations; such inspections are not safety or code compliance inspections. By submitting this rebate application, the applicant agrees to participate in any inspection requested by NIPSCO as it pertains to the rebate program.
- 8. Program Modifications:** NIPSCO reserves the right to alter or discontinue rebate offers at any time without notice.
- 9. Natural Gas Equipment Installations:** Home builders should verify with NIPSCO that their natural gas pressure is adequate for any gas-using equipment being installed.
- 10. Disclaimer:** NIPSCO does not guarantee that homes built to meet ENERGY STAR 3.1 (Rev 13) requirements through this Program will result in energy and cost savings. NIPSCO reserves the right to deny or limit any rebate request. In addition, no warranties on equipment or service installations are provided by NIPSCO, nor does the Program warrant, guarantee or endorse the energy efficiency services provided by any specific contractor participating in the Program. NIPSCO, the Program Administrator, the Program Implementer, their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, parent companies, officers, directors, agents and employees disclaim any and all liability, loss or damages, and make no guarantees related to: participation in the Program, including use or installation of the equipment; loss or delay of rebate check(s) in the mail; and any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in the Program. Allow up to eight (8) weeks after application is received by the Program to receive your rebate, unless an inspection is required.
- 11. Indemnification:** By submitting an application and participating in the Program, the applicant, to the extent allowed by law, releases and waives any and all claims against NIPSCO, Program Administrator, Program Implementer, and their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, parent companies, directors, officers, agents and employees. Signatory(ies) and applicant(s) shall indemnify NIPSCO, the Program Administrator, the Program Implementer, their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, parent companies, officers, directors, agents and employees against any and all losses, damages, expense, fees, costs and liability arising from any design, consulting, product, system, equipment, installation services or appliance, in connection with the Program.
- 12. Information Disclosure:** NIPSCO reserves the right to disclose the customer's utility account numbers, Contractor's Federal Tax ID or social security number and customer consumption data to its subcontractors for the sole purpose of administering the NIPSCO Program.
- 13. Representation:** Making false statements on any NIPSCO rebate application is punishable by law. Any and all funds determined, in NIPSCO's sole discretion, to have been acquired on the basis of fraudulent or misrepresented information must be returned to the Program. NIPSCO may refuse payment and participation if the signatory(ies), applicant(s), customer(s), or contractor(s) violate Program rules or procedures.
- 14. Taxes:** NIPSCO is not responsible for any taxes that may be imposed on your business as a result of your receipt of this rebate. For Instant Discounts, rebates are generally not taxable to you, however you should consult a tax advisor for any questions regarding the taxability of rebates.
- 15. Program Administrator:** NIPSCO's Residential Energy Efficiency Programs are administered by TRC, a third-party implementation specialist that helps homes and businesses save energy. As the applicant, I authorize NIPSCO and TRC to access energy usage data for the specified accounts at the physical site address of this project and release to the contractor listed on this application. As the applicant, I agree that NIPSCO may include my name, city, or county of residence, Program services/incentives, and resulting energy-savings in reports or other documentation submitted to NIPSCO and relevant agencies administering energy programs.