

Westfield Gas & Electric Department <u>MMWEC GO Program</u> Program Hotline (877) 259-3015



Commercial & Industrial Custom Retrofit GO Program*		
Primary Objectives	MMWEC's Green Opportunity (GO) Program assists Massachusetts Municipal Utilities in developing and delivering energy efficiency services to their commercial and industrial customers.	
	<ul> <li>Help commercial and industrial business to identify and implement electric and natural gas energy efficiency (EE) projects in existing commercial, industrial, governmental, and institutional buildings.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Assist Westfield Gas and Electric (WG&amp;E) customers to reduce operating costs by incentivizing the identification and installation of energy efficiency opportunities</li> </ul>	
	Test and evaluate the process, from lead generation through audit and implementation, to inform future refinements of the program	
Program Summary/Design	The retrofit GO program will be administered through a controlled process whereby customers submit an application to be enrolled into the program. Once the application is received, WG&E will work with the customer and their preferred contractors to fully define work scopes for the recommended projects including a cost effectiveness evaluation based on estimated annual energy savings. <i>Incentives available through the WG&amp;E program are based on the energy savings estimated to result</i> <i>from project implementation</i> . It is the responsibility of the customer to implement the measures of their choosing, at which time WG&E will conduct a post installation inspection prior to issuing the incentive. Below is a detailed summary of the program that describes the entire process from the moment an application is received to final delivery of the grant from WG&E.	
	<ol> <li>Application Steerver to manual vertery of the grant non-work.</li> <li>Application Submitted –The appropriate business representative should complete the application form available on the WG&amp;E website in its entirety and return to the program administrator by any of the methods listed. The application form is used to assess basic information about the function, condition, size and energy end uses of the facility and its systems. It will also provide the applicant the opportunity to inform WG&amp;E of specific EE projects of interest.</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Initial Phone Consultation: WG&amp;E's program administrator will contact the applicant by phone to review the application and better understand the specific goals and interests of the applicant. Projects are expected to follow one of two general paths, as follows:</li> </ol>	
	<b>"Fast Track":</b> Applicant has identified a specific project they intend to move forward with and wish to determine incentive eligibility through the program. This is the so called "fast track" project path.	
	<ul> <li>General Energy Efficiency: Applicant is interested in gaining assistance to identify cost effective energy efficiency opportunities at their facility and subsequently determining incentive eligibility and studying measure cost effectiveness. Applicant may or may not have targeted specific projects</li> <li>Specific Project "Fast Track" Path: The applicant will be asked to provide the following documentation for the projects they are considering. If needed, WG&amp;E can provide technical assistance to support the applicant. The documentation provided by the applicant will serve as the basis for WG&amp;E's review. Required documentation includes but is not necessarily limited to:         <ul> <li>Description of project scope</li> <li>Inventory of existing fixtures/systems being replaced</li> <li>Inventory and technical specifications for proposed equipment</li> <li>Project cost estimates, for labor and material separately</li> <li>Additional operating information as needed to evaluate energy savings (i.e. annual run hours for lighting projects)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

- a. **Technical Review:** WG&E's program administrator will prepare a technical review of the information provided which may or may not include an on-site inspection. There is no charge for this service. A review letter will be provided that presents estimated energy savings, incentive eligibility, project cost effectiveness (simple payback) and next steps. Once the review has been completed, the applicant signs and returns a memorandum of understanding signifying their intention to proceed, and ultimately proceeds with project implementation.
- 4. <u>General Energy Efficiency Path</u>: Applicants that are not interested solely in specific predetermined projects may follow the general energy efficiency path which is designed to help identify and develop cost effective energy efficiency projects. This process is conducted in two parts. First is a Level One (scoping) audit of the facility to identify potential measures that merit further study. Second is the targeted study and development of measures. Both are more fully discussed below:
  - a. Level One (Scoping) Energy Audit: Shortly after the initial phone consultation, the program administrator will coordinate a time and date to conduct a walkthrough audit of the facility. The walkthrough will take between 1-3 hours depending on the size and complexity of the facility, and is intended solely to gain an initial understanding of how energy is utilized and to identify potentially cost effective projects. Level one audits include minimal engineering analysis and cost estimation. A brief report will be issued documenting the findings and discussing next steps.
  - b. Technical Review: If the business decides to move forward with any EE projects identified in the free Level One energy audit, further specification of the project scope, cost, and energy savings is necessary for WG&E to complete a technical review and identify incentive eligibility. Applicants may obtain formal vendor quotes on their own, or WG&E can provide 50% co-funded technical assistance to help specify project scopes, obtain vendor quotes, and calculate energy savings. When the project information is compiled, WG&E's program administrator will complete a technical review of the project. A review letter will be provided that presents estimated energy savings, incentive eligibility, project cost effectiveness (simple payback) and next steps. Once the review has been completed, the applicant signs and returns a memorandum of understanding signifying their intention to proceed, and ultimately proceeds with project implementation.
- 5. <u>WG&E Commits Funds</u>: WG&E commits funds to EE projects according to the annual electric or gas savings of the particular project(s). The annual electricity savings resulting from the implementation of EE measures are calculated through the technical review process as described above.
- 6. <u>Customer Returns MOU</u>: WG&E will commit funds in the form of a formal letter. The business will have 30 days to acknowledge receiving the formal grant offer by signing and returning the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Once WG&E receives the signed MOU, the business will have 180 days to complete installation of the EE project. If the MOU is not returned within 30 days or if the EE project is not installed within 180 days of returning the MOU, committed funds will be forfeited by the business and returned to the incentive pool. Businesses have the option of reapplying to the program if deadlines are missed however the availability of funds may result in a reduced commitment from WG&E.
- 7. <u>Customer Funds Installation of Project</u>: For each EE project for which WG&E funds have been committed, it the responsibility of the business to fund the installation of these projects in their entirety within 180 days of returning the signed MOU. Funds committed by WG&E will be released to the business after a successful post installation inspection.
- 8. <u>Post Installation Inspection</u>: After each EE project has been installed and is operational, the business will notify WG&E by phone or e-mail. The program administrator will schedule a post installation inspection of the facility to ensure scope of work, as defined in the technical

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Target Market	All non-residential customers – commercial, industrial, governmental, and institutional.
Target End Uses	Target end uses include, but are not limited to lighting and lighting controls, motors and drives, HVAC equipment, energy management systems, compressed air, furnaces and boilers, additional unique industrial processes, and site-specific custom measures that result in electric or natural gas savings.
Financial Incentives**	<ul> <li>The program features two types of financial assistance, in the forms of co-funded technical assistance for energy planning and study, and incentives for the installation of efficiency measures. Both are discussed below:</li> <li>Measure Installation Incentives: <ul> <li>Incentives are limited to \$0.17 per annual saved kWh, and/or \$2.50 per annual saved therm, not to exceed 50% of total project costs.</li> <li>Incentives are capped at a maximum of \$50,000 per customer per program year.</li> <li>Incentives will not be offered if such incentive would reduce the simple payback to less than one year</li> </ul> </li> <li>Co-Funded Technical Assistance: <ul> <li>WG&amp;E will co-fund 50% of costs incurred for qualified engineering studies, subject to caps outlined below</li> <li>For small customers (monthly consumption less than 4,000 kWh): \$2,500 cap</li> <li>For large customers (single month consumption greater than 4,000 kWh, and &lt; 250 kVa demand): \$7,500 cap</li> </ul> </li> <li>*WG&amp;E retains full and complete discretion over all incentive and financing offers</li> </ul>
Delivery Mechanism	Installation of measures may be conducted by any qualified contractors selected by the customer. WG&E can provide customers with a list of qualified contractors however WG&E does not specifically endorse any contractors. Energy audits and technical reviews will be conducted by a pre-selected engineering firm with whom WG&E has a standing relationship.