## **CleanBC Better Homes**

## **Program Notification – HVAC**

## **Program Updates for October 1, 2019**

### **Contractor Participation Incentive**

- The long-awaited \$50 contractor participation incentive is being mailed out this week. This is a \$50 payment to the installing contractor for qualifying heat pumps for space or domestic hot water heating that are fuel switching from natural gas, oil, or propane. These payments are issued automatically for all installs dating back to September 28, 2018.
- NEW: An additional \$50 contractor participation top-up for installs in Saanich, North Vancouver, and Whistler.
- NEW: An additional \$300 contractor participation top-up for installs in the City of Vancouver.

#### **Electrical Service Upgrade Rebate**

- NEW: \$500 electrical service upgrade rebate for homeowners needing to upgrade their electrical system to accommodate a qualifying heat pump (for space or for water heating) in homes that are fuel switching from oil, propane or natural gas.
- NEW: An additional \$500 electrical service upgrade top-up for installs in the North Vancouver, Whistler, Powell River, Saanich and Vancouver (for a total incentive of \$1,000).

#### \$6,000 Fuel Switch All-Electric Heat Pump Top-Up in City of Vancouver

NEW: The City of Vancouver is offering a \$6,000 top-up for homeowners that replace their gas
primary heating equipment with an all-electric tier 2 heat pump system, up to a maximum of 80%
of installed cost. Added to the CleanBC rebates for heat pumps and electrical service upgrades,
that's a \$10,000 rebate! Note they are still offering the existing \$2,000 top-up.

#### **Other Municipal Top-Up Changes**

- NEW: Some municipalities are now offering top-ups on heat pump water heaters, of \$350 or \$1,000
   see the attached chart for details.
- Heat pump top-ups have been added or changed in several municipalities see the attached chart for details. Stay tuned for more municipalities signing on in January.

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#### **Qualified Product Lists**

We are introducing a program-qualified Heat Pump list to make it easier for customers to find out if their quoted models are eligible. The heat pump **must be listed on the qualified heat pump product list to be eligible** for rebates. All models that are eligible under the current program criteria will be on this list. To find qualifying heat pumps, visit <a href="mailto:bchydro.com/qualifyingheatpumps">bchydro.com/qualifyingheatpumps</a> after October 1.

We are also introducing a list of program-qualified Air-to-Water heat pumps. The list can be viewed at <u>betterhomesBC.ca/qualifyingairtowaterhp</u> come October 1. This means that homeowners will no longer be required to get pre-approval. For get an advanced copy of this list, contact grant.moonie@gov.bc.ca.

#### Resources

#### **Printed Materials**

CleanBC Better Homes has shipped program guides and rack cards to distributors and contractors. This literature can be used to promote the program, and as a reference for you on rebate details. If you would like to receive additional program literature, please email <a href="mailto:betterhomesBC@gov.bc.ca">betterhomesBC@gov.bc.ca</a> with your request. Please note one omission in the program guide rebate table: As of October 1, there will be also be a \$500 electrical service upgrade incentive.

#### **Seminars**

We are accepting requests for educational program outreach seminars at HVAC distributors throughout the province. If you or your distributor are interested in having an event, please contact Grant Moonie at the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources at <a href="mailto:grant.moonie@gov.bc.ca">grant.moonie@gov.bc.ca</a> or call (778) 698-5381.

#### **Online Contractor Resources**

We have assembled links to useful program resources for contractors that you can read online or print out, including program updates. These can be found at <a href="mailto:betterhomesbc.ca/contractor-support">betterhomesbc.ca/contractor-support</a>. This will be updated and added to regularly.

If you have any program questions, please contact the Program Coordinator, <a href="mailto:grant.moonie@gov.bc.ca">grant.moonie@gov.bc.ca</a> or reach out the CleanBC Better Homes Energy Coaches at 1(844) 881-9790.



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# **Municipal Top-Ups**

cleanBC BETTER HOMES	Contractor Participation Incentive	Fossil Fuel Switch Heat Pump	Fuel Switch All- Electric Tier 2 Heat Pump	Electrical Service Upgrade	Fossil Fuel Switch Heat Pump DHW	Energy Assessment
Capital Regional District		\$350				
City of Campbell River		\$350				\$150
City of Kamloops						\$150
City of Kelowna						\$150
City of North Vancouver	\$50	\$2,000		\$500	\$1,000	\$150
City of Powell River		\$350		\$500	\$350	
City of Richmond						\$150
City of Vancouver	\$300	\$2,000	or \$6,000	\$500	\$1,000	\$150
City of Victoria		\$350				
City of Whistler	\$50	\$2,000		\$500	\$1,000	
Comox Valley Regional District		\$350				\$150
District of Saanich	\$50	\$350		\$500	\$350	\$150

New or altered top-ups are shown in bold





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