

# NYSERDA RESIDENTIAL FINANCING AND INCOME SCREENING APPLICATION

## SECTION A – APPLICATION REQUEST

This is not a contract for a loan, nor does it lock you into any commitment with a contractor. Applying for a loan will include a review of your credit history. Final loan type, interest rate, and loan term will be based, in part, on a review of your clean energy project.

Application Type (select all that apply)  Loan Product (see below regarding interest ra	te determination)	Incentive Product		
Clean Energy Project Type (select all that apply)				
Energy Efficiency Upgrades	Solar Electric System	Pellet Stove		
Solar Hot Water System	Ground Source Heat Pump	Air Source Heat Pump		
Loan Type (All Loan Applicants Must Select One) On-Bill Recovery Loan (If the project is ineligit Smart Energy Loan	ole, you will be considered for a Sma	art Energy Loan)		
Loan Amount (All Loan Applicants Must Select On \$5,000 or less	<b>e)</b> \$5,001 or more			
Fee information: No fee is required to apply. If ap This fee will be included in your loan unless you in				
The <b>interest rate</b> for your loan will be determined type), underwriting criteria, and project type. Hous <u>www.nyserda.ny.gov/interest-rate-estimator</u> for a	sehold income information will be re	•		
If you, the borrower(s), wish to forego the income screening of all installation property occupants, you may do so by opting out of the household income screening. The borrower and co-borrower (if applicable) are still required to submit income documentation for loan underwriting purposes. Proceeding with the installation property household income screening may result in a lower interest rate for your loan. Installation property households may also be determined eligible for a program incentive, which may reduce the amount of your loan.				
<b>Opt Out:</b> I/we, the borrower(s), wish to forego the installation property household income screening, and proceed with the loan at the highest interest rate available for my installation type at the time my application is decisioned.				
SECTION B - PROPERTY INFORMATIC	N			
Installation address where the clean energy impr	ovement(s) will be made:			
Street		Unit #		
City State	Zip	County		
No. of Units (5+ does not qualify):				
Single Family 2-Family Home 3-F	amily Home 🔲 4-Family Home	Mobile Home		
SECTION C - BORROWER INFORMAT	ION			
Mr./Mrs./Ms. Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial Jr./Sr./II/III		
Former/Alternate Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyyy)	Social Security Number		
Primary Phone No. Ext. Secondary	Phone Ext.	Email Address		
How are you associated with the installation prop	erty? 🗍 Own 🛛 Rent	Other		
Who resides at the installation property?	Owner 🗌 Tenant	Other		
Who resides at the installation property? If owner, how many years have you owned the ins	Owner Tenant	Other		

Zip

County

State

City

# SECTION D - CO-BORROWER

A co-applicant is not required, but may enhance your ability to meet the financing eligibility requirements.

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Mr./Mrs./Ms. Last Name	First Name		Middle Initial	Jr./Sr./II/III
Former/Alternate Name	Date of Birth (mm/	′dd/yyyyy)	Social Security	No.
Primary Phone No. Ext. Secondary Pho	one No. Ext	t.	Email Address	
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How are you associated with the installation property?	Own	Rent		
Who resides at the installation property?	🗌 Owner 🗌	Tenant	Other	
If owner, how many years have you owned installation pr	opertv?			
Mailing Address (if different from installation address)			Unit #	
City State	Zip		County	
SECTION E – PROPERTY OWNER INFORMA	ATION			
Complete this section only if the property owner is different	ent than the borrowe	er or the co-l	borrower.	
Mr./Mrs./Ms. Last Name Firs	st Name	Mid	ddle Initial Jr.,	/Sr./II/III
Former/Alternate Name Dat	te of Birth (mm/dd/y	ууууу) Soc	cial Security No.	
Primary Phone No. Ext. Sec	condary Phone No.	Ext.	. Email Ado	dress
Mailing Address (if different than installation address)			Unit #	
City State	Zip		County	
Is Property owned by a legal entity (not a person)? 🗌 Yes 📄 No				
Entity Type: (Trust, Life Use, other legal entity)				
If applicable, provide the entity name, signatory name, and signatory title of the individual authorized to act on behalf of the entity below.				
Entity Nama			Cignoter	/ Titla
Entity Name Signatory Na	anne		Signatory	
SECTION F - PROJECT PARTNER INFORMA	TION			

Contractor Name (if known)

Constituency-Based Organization Name (if applicable)

## SECTION G - ENERGY SUPPLIER INFORMATION

Electric Utility Name	Account Number	Name on Account		
Indicate here if you are currently on a Deferred Payment Plan with your Electric utility.				
Natural Gas Utility Name (if applicable)	Account Number	Name on Account		
Indicate here if you are currently on a Defer	red Payment Plan with y	our Natural Gas utility.		
Indicate here if you purchase oil, propane, kerosene, wood pellets, coal or wood.				
*Attach a copy of your most recent electric and gas (if applicable) utility bills indicating one of the borrowers is the account holder if applying for an On-Bill Recovery Loan.				
If you are a PSEG Long Island Customer, please	answer the following qu	Jestions:		
How is your home heated? (example: propane)				
Does your home currently have Central Air Conc Project?  Yes  No	litioning, or will you be a	dding Central Air Conditioning as part of your Energy Efficiency		
Are you completing a conversion to Natural Gas	Service? 🗌 Yes [	] No		
**PSEG Long Island Customers must also subr interest rates on loan applications.	nit copy of PSEG Audit C	ompletion in order to be income screened for incentives or reduced		
SECTION H - AUTOMATIC PAYMENT	AUTHORIZATION			
The Smart Energy Loan offers a reduced interest rate for customers who choose to repay their loan via automatic payments from their checking or savings account. If approved for the Smart Energy Loan, would you like to receive a 0.50% interest rate reduction by authorizing automatic payments? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No (Please check one)				
If yes, please complete the information below regarding the bank account from which you would like your loan payments to be debited. <b>NOTE:</b> You may choose to wait to provide your account information until your loan is approved; however, banking information must be received prior to finalizing and signing your loan agreement. It is not necessary to include a copy of a voided check upon application submission.				
Account Type: 🗌 Checking Account 🔲 Sa	avings Account			
Bank Name	Ba	nk Address		
9-digit Bank Routing Number	De	nk Account Number		
(verify routing number with your bank)	Do	nk Account Number		
		e above-named Borrower(s) ("You" or "Your") have authorized		
		SERDA's loan servicer, Concord Servicing Corporation ("Us" or "We") its successors or assigns, to withdraw the indicated monthly		
	au	tomatic payment amount from Your account at the above-mentioned		
BAVK		ancial institution on the payment due date for the purpose of making		
PAY TO THE		yments on your Smart Energy Loan account. The initial rrespondence from Concord Servicing Corporation will notify you when		
	VO VO	ur automatic payment is activated. To revoke this authorization		
		ease call <b>1-866-859-4403</b> at least <b>3</b> business days prior to your next		
MEMO AUTHORIZED SIG		heduled payment due date. You are responsible and liable for all thorized transactions made under this automatic payment		
·:789123456·: 123789456123·* 0025		thorization. We will not be liable for any fees your financial institution		
Your 9-digit Bank Your Bank Routing Number Account Number	pa	ay assess if you do not have sufficient funds in your account to cover yment. All payments will be posted to your account on the statement e date. If your due date falls on a weekend or holiday, your payment		

will be posted the next business day. You understand that purposely false or misleading information given may be considered fraud and

covered under applicable laws.

## SECTION I – LOAN UNDERWRITING INCOME DOCUMENTATION

**Income information and documentation is required for each borrower.** Please provide current regular sources and amounts of income in the table below. If listing income from self-employment, business, rental, or farming income, list the net income after operating expenses. You may meet the income documentation requirements by either providing tax returns, or by documenting current sources of income for each borrower/co-borrower. Social Security Numbers, Routing and Account Numbers, and any PINs may be blackened-out on these documents.

Name of Income Recipient	Income Type (ex. Wages, Social Security, Pension, etc.)	Current Annual Income Amount
	Total	

**Tax Return:** Provide a copy of the most recent Federal Income Tax Return (Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ) for the borrower/co-borrower. If one of the borrowers filed a joint return, but is not applying jointly, s/he must provide W-2 and 1099 statements instead of the tax return, or use the individual income sources option below. If earning rental/self-employment income, submit Schedule C, E, and F along with the tax return. If you do not have rental/self-employment income, you do not need to provide the Schedules or Forms filed with the return. If you do not have a copy of your return, you may request a transcript of your return be mailed to you free of charge by completing the IRS Form 4506-T, or by going to IRS.gov and clicking on "Get a tax transcript", or by calling 1-800-908-9946.

#### OR

**Individual Income Sources:** If your current income is significantly different from the income on your last filed tax return, or if you have sources of income not included on your tax return, provide documentation for each source of income listed in the table above using the example in the table below. Please use additional pages if needed.

### Provide the following documentation for each income source listed above:

Wages/Salary/Commissions	Copy of two most recent paystubs showing year-to-date gross earnings, or letter from employer stating gross year-to-date earnings
Pension/Social Security	Copy of award letter for current year or copy of bank statement showing deposit sources and amounts
401(k)/IRA/Interest Earnings	Copy of brokerage/account statements showing regular pattern of distributions
Alimony	Copy of divorce decree or court order that established the support
Aiimony	copy of divorce decree of court order that established the support
Self-Employment/Business Income/Rental Income/Farming Income	Copy of most recent Federal Income Tax Return with Schedule C, E, or F, or profit & loss statement for past 12 months. Alternatively, for rental income, you may also list income as 75% of the gross annual leases for the property, and submit a schedule listing the property units and the gross annual lease amounts.

### SECTION J – LOAN CONSENT AND SIGNATURES

I understand that the energy savings numbers provided to me by my contractor are estimates only and are not guaranteed. If the estimated savings are not achieved, or are less than what was estimated, my debt obligations may increase. Regardless of actual achieved savings, I will still be obligated to make my loan payments. (All borrowers must initial on line below for application to be accepted)

#### initials

By signing below, I/we certify that all information provided on this application, including statements and documents submitted in connection with this application, are correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I give false information on this application or withhold information in order to make myself eligible for benefits that I am not entitle to, I can be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. I understand that by submitting this application I am not guaranteed a loan and whether or not I will be provided a loan will depend, in part, upon the number of applications received, the remaining funding available, and the priorities to be met by the program.

I acknowledge that NYSERDA has retained Energy Finance Solutions ("EFS"), a service offered by Slipstream Inc., to process this application and underwrite my/our loan. I authorize EFS to obtain credit reports in connection with my/our loan request. I also authorize EFS to verify records necessary to assure eligibility for my/our loan request. If necessary, I further agree to provide additional information to EFS to underwrite my/our loan request.

I acknowledge that the energy efficiency improvements being made to the home, or installation of a renewable energy system, are designed to reduce my energy costs or provide health and safety improvements, and my contractor will provide estimates of future energy cost savings based on energy modeling, or the contribution of a renewable energy system, which may vary from the results I will realize. The estimate may include assumed increases in future energy costs, which may not reflect actual future energy costs. These savings are not guaranteed by either the contractor or NYSERDA. Incurring this loan to undertake these improvements may not result in the estimated reduction in energy costs over time, based on additional factors that contribute to monthly energy usage and costs.

I acknowledge the interest rate for my loan will be determined based upon the income screening of the installation property household(s), unless I have opted out of the income screening in Section A of this application. Opting out of the screening will result in my/our loan application defaulting to the highest interest rate available through the NYSERDA Program for my installation type at the time my/our loan application is decisioned.

I further acknowledge and agree that NYSERDA and EFS may share with and disclose to, orally and/or in writing, the project partner(s) identified by me above, or as subsequently identified by me to EFS, the following information regarding this application: whether the application has been pre-approved by EFS, and any additional items requested by EFS in order to complete my loan approval; whether the application has been approved by EFS, and the approved loan amount so that my project partner(s) can proceed with scheduling the work; and whether my application has been denied, so that the project partner(s) can determine if there is other financing available, and whether I intend to proceed.

In addition, if this application is approved and NYSERDA makes the On-Bill Recovery Loan I have requested, I also authorize NYSERDA, its loan servicer, and the utility providing my gas and/or electric service and their employees, contractors, and agents to share such information concerning: my electric and/or gas utility usage and billing information; and the charges that are payable by me under the loan agreement (note) that I will sign.

The Federal Equal Credit Opportunity Act prohibits creditors from discriminating against credit applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, or age.

Whether or not the undersigned have elected to sign this document electronically, EFS, and or any subsequent holders of this document, shall have the right to convert and store the manual signature electronically, and the undersigned consents to the use of the electronically stored version in the same manner as an original signed copy.

I understand and intend that a legal signature is formed by entering my name on this and other documents provided to me, and by entering my name on this and other documents provided in relation to this transaction I intend for my electronic signature to have the same force and effect as my manual signature. If any of the parties do not wish to sign this document electronically, all must opt out together and request a paper copy to sign manually.

By entering my name below, I am creating a legally binding signature and confirm that I agree and accept the electronic signature terms and conditions.

Applicant's Signature

Co-Applicant's Signature

# SECTION K - INCOME SCREENING FOR INTEREST RATE AND INCENTIVE

## Special instructions for borrower(s) who occupy the installation property:

If you have already listed all of your household income in Section I, please identify in the table below if either borrower is a full-time student; answer the question below the table regarding 1) number of people in the household; 2) HEAP, public assistance, or other services; and complete Section L.

If you have opted out of the income screening in Section A of this application, do not receive HEAP or public assistance, and neither borrower is a full-time student, you do not need to complete the remainder of this application.

If you have additional household members and/or income sources, please complete the remainder of the application.

If you do not occupy the installation property, please request the occupant(s) to complete the remainder of this, or a separate income screening application.

Date

Date

Only complete this section if you occupy the installation property. If you are only using this application to apply for the household income review, please also complete Sections B, E, F, and G above. Information provided in this section will be used to determine your interest rate and eligibility for an incentive to help pay for the installation of your clean energy project. Eligibility is based upon the total gross annual income of each household unit that completes an income screening application. Installation properties of up to 4 units may apply. Additional household units should complete a separate income screening application (one form per household unit).

Income-eligible applicants may qualify for the following incentives:

- An incentive for **energy efficiency upgrades** through the Assisted Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® Program. To learn more visit <u>www.nyserda.ny.gov/assisted-home-performance</u>.
- An incentive for income-eligible homeowners for a **solar electric installation** through the Affordable Solar Program. To learn more visit www.ny-sun.ny.gov/affordablesolar.
- A rebate for the purchase of a **Pellet Stove** for income-eligible homeowners through the Pellet Stove Program. To learn more visit <u>www.nyserda.ny.gov/pelletstove</u>.

If you need additional information, call 1-866-NYSERDA.

Income information and documentation is required. Complete the chart below listing all household members. Provide all types of current gross annual income for all residents of the household, age 18 and over, who are not full-time students. The borrower and co-borrower should only list additional sources of income not noted in Section I, Loan Underwriting Income Documentation. If listing income from self-employment, business, rental income, or farming income, list the net income after operating expenses. Please use additional pages, if needed.

Household Occupant Income	Last Name	First Name	Age	Full-Time Student (Y/N)	Income Type (ex. Wages)	Current Annual Income Amount
Additional Borrower Income						\$ \$ \$
Additional Co- borrower Income						\$ \$ \$
Additional Household Income Earner 1						\$ \$ \$
Additional Household Income Earner 2						\$ \$ \$
List All Non-Income Earning Household Members						

Total number of people in the household \_

#### Are you currently eligible for, or have you received within the past 12 months, services through:

NYSERDA's EmPower New York Program, the New York State Weatherization Assistance Program, HEAP, SNAP/food stamps, or supplemental security income. If your household receives any of these sources of income, please provide the service award letter in addition to the income documentation you may be providing for the loan. If you are not applying for the loan, you do not need to provide any additional income documentation other than the award letter.

If your household has not received these services, you may meet the income documentation requirements by either providing tax returns, or by documenting current sources of income for each household member. Social Security Numbers, Routing and Account Numbers, and any PINs must be blackened-out on these documents.

Refer to Section I for information on documenting income.

## L – INCOME-ELIGIBLE INCENTIVE CONSENT AND SIGNATURES

By Signing below, I/we certify that all information provided on this application, including statements and documents submitted in connection with this application, are correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that NYSERDA has retained Energy Finance Solutions ("EFS"), a service offered by Slipstream Inc. ("Slipstream"), to process and underwrite my/our income qualification application. If necessary, I further agree to provide additional information to EFS and Slipstream to underwrite my/our income screening application.

I further acknowledge and agree that NYSERDA and EFS may share with and disclose to, orally and/or in writing, the project partner(s) identified by me above, or as subsequently identified by me to EFS, the following information regarding this application: whether the application has been preapproved by EFS, and any additional items requested by EFS in order to complete my income qualification application; whether the application has been approved by EFS, and the approved incentive amount so that my project partner(s) can proceed with scheduling the work; and whether my application has been denied, so that the project partner(s) can determine whether I intend to proceed.

I understand that my signature on this form gives permission for NYSERDA, or its designee, to verify records necessary to assure my program eligibility. I understand that if I give false information or withhold information in order to make myself eligible for benefits that I am not entitled to, I can be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

I understand this application does not guarantee assistance will be granted but will be used in determining eligibility for the program. Whether or not an eligible applicant will be provided assistance will depend in part upon the number of applicants received, the remaining funding available, and the priorities to be met by the program.

Whether or not the undersigned have elected to sign this document electronically, EFS, and or any subsequent holders of this document, shall have the right to convert and store the manual signature electronically, and the undersigned consents to the use of the electronically stored version in the same manner as an original signed copy.

I understand and intend that a legal signature is formed by entering my name on this and other documents provided to me, and by entering my name on this and other documents provided in relation to this transaction I intend for my electronic signature to have the same force and effect as my manual signature. If any of the parties do not wish to sign this document electronically, all must opt out together and request a paper copy to sign manually.

By entering my name below, I am creating a legally binding signature and confirm that I agree and accept the electronic signature terms and conditions.

One household member listed in Section K is required to sign and date below. All income earning household members may sign and date below.

Signature	Date
Signature	Date
Signature	Date
Signature	Date

### Submit completed application to Energy Finance Solutions through one of the following methods:

Mail: Energy Finance Solutions 431 Charmany Drive Madison, WI 53719

Fax: 608-249-5788 Email: <u>efs@energyfinancesolutions.com</u>

Apply Online: www.energyfinancesolutions.com

For more information, please contact Energy Finance Solutions (EFS): **Toll Free:** 1-800-361-5663 **or visit www.nyserda.ny.gov**.

Note: Incomplete applications will not be processed