

# Natural Gas Program Fact Sheet



## Overview

Efficiency Maine offers a natural gas efficiency program for business customers. This initial offering includes prescriptive incentives to customers of Unitil, and focuses on premium efficiency boilers, furnaces and heaters, and their associated controls, and efficient gas-fired commercial kitchen equipment.

## Prescriptive Measures

- **Natural Gas-fired Boilers, Furnaces and Heaters:** Incremental incentives are available to customers who upgrade from code-compliant standard practice equipment to premium equipment for both existing and new facilities.
- **Commercial Kitchen Equipment:** Restaurants, schools, and hospitals all offer opportunities for increased energy efficiency through the installation of premium efficiency equipment. Examples include high-efficiency fryers, ovens, steamers, broilers and griddles.

## Eligibility

- Equipment must be new and installed as part of the construction or renovation of a commercial, industrial, institutional, educational, municipal, or multifamily (5 or more units) building.

*or*

- Project must involve the replacement of equipment that has failed or is at the end of its useful life in an existing commercial, industrial, institutional, educational, municipal, or multifamily (5 or more units) building.

## Requirements

- Complete and sign the Prescriptive Natural Gas Application. Incomplete applications will delay review and payment. Please be sure to provide **all** requested information.
- Pre-approval **is** required. Before you purchase and install the equipment, send the following to Efficiency Maine in order to receive a “pre-approved incentive” letter:
  - Your application with all requested information filled in.
  - Manufacturer’s technical specification sheets (“cut sheets”) for each type of eligible equipment proposed.
- Within 60 days of project completion, send the following to Efficiency Maine:
  - A **signed** copy of your “pre-approved incentive” letter.
  - A copy of your invoice showing the date and place of purchase and model/part numbers of the equipment installed.

**In order to receive an incentive from Efficiency Maine, invoices and manufacturer’s technical data sheets (“cut sheets”) will always be required.**

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**TABLE 3: NATURAL GAS INCENTIVES – BOILERS, FURNACES & HEATERS**

Measure Code	Description	Criteria	Incentive Amount/Unit
G1	Natural gas-fired air furnace ≤ 300 MBtu/h	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$1,000.00
G2	Natural gas-fired non-condensing hot water boiler ≤ 300 MBtu/h	AFUE ≥ 85%	\$600.00
G3	Natural gas-fired non-condensing hot water boiler >300 MBtu/h and ≤500 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 85%	\$750.00
G4	Natural gas-fired non-condensing hot water boiler >500 MBtu/h and ≤1,000 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 85%	\$1,500.00
G5	Natural gas-fired non-condensing hot water boiler >1,000 MBtu/h and ≤1,700 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 85%	\$2,500.00
G6	Natural gas-fired non-condensing hot water boiler >1,700 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 85%	\$3,000.00
G7	Natural gas-fired condensing hot water boiler ≤ 300 MBtu/h	AFUE ≥ 90%	\$1,000.00
G8	Natural gas-fired condensing hot water boiler >300 MBtu/h and ≤500 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 90%	\$1,500.00
G9	Natural gas-fired condensing hot water boiler >500 MBtu/h and ≤1,000 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 90%	\$2,500.00
G10	Natural gas-fired condensing hot water boiler >1,000 MBtu/h and ≤1,700 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 90%	\$3,500.00
G11	Natural gas-fired condensing hot water boiler >1,700 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 90%	\$4,500.00
G12	Natural gas-fired steam boiler ≤ 300 MBtu/h	AFUE ≥ 82%	\$800.00
G13	Natural gas-fired steam boiler >300 MBtu/h and ≤2,500 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 79%	\$1/MBtu/h
G14	Natural gas-fired steam boiler >2,500 MBtu/h and ≤10,000 MBtu/h	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 80%	\$1/MBtu/h
G15	Low-intensity, infrared, natural gas-fired unit heater	None	\$500.00
G16	Natural gas-fired, warm-air unit heater	Thermal Efficiency ≥ 90%	\$600.00

**TABLE 4: NATURAL GAS INCENTIVES – COMMERCIAL KITCHEN EQUIPMENT**

G17	Fryer	ENERGY-STAR®-qualified	\$1,000.00
G18	Broiler	Cooking Efficiency ≥ 30%	\$1,250.00
G19	Convection Oven	ENERGY-STAR®-qualified	\$600.00
G20	Combination Oven	Cooking Efficiency ≥ 40%	\$1,000.00
G21	Steamer	ENERGY-STAR®-qualified	\$2,000.00
G22	Griddle	ENERGY-STAR®-qualified	\$750.00