

Responses to Questions RFP EM-015-2021

1. Would Efficiency Maine be open to covering the equipment cost of the pilot?

Yes, Efficiency Maine intends to cover the full installed cost for all equipment used in the pilot.

2. Are off-the-shelf equipment from local distributors eligible? It appears that there is equipment already in the state that might directly fit in mobile homes.

Yes, any equipment that meets the requirements of the RFP is eligible regardless of availability or prevalence.

3. Does Efficiency Maine intend to install multiple mini-duct heat pumps for this pilot?

Efficiency Maine is hoping to go beyond our current ductless heat pump program. Any configuration of heat pump technology that meets this pilot would be eligible, however a preference will be made towards equipment that is more novel than multiple wall units.

4. Are Ducted Systems eligible? Efficiency Maine already includes them in their heat pump program.

Yes, ducted systems already in our programs would also be eligible, provided they meet the requirements of the RFP

5. Are new construction homes eligible for this pilot? Are businesses?

No, pilot participants will be limited to residential homes replacing an existing fossil fuel heating system.

6. How many total pilot participants is Efficiency Maine looking for?

The size of the pilot will be determined after the research phase of the pilot. The number of participants will be determined by the number of technologies that will be pursued. Bidders are encouraged to price their pilot on a per-participant basis for flexibility.

7. Can I submit multiple technology proposals for this RFP?

Yes, one or multiple technologies will be selected after the research phase of the pilot is completed.