



**Multi-Unit Dwellings EV Charging Program**

**Terms and Conditions**

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## Program Overview

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“NJ BPU” or “Board”) authorized the Multi-Unit Dwelling (“MUD”) electric vehicle (“EV”) charging incentive Program (“Program”) for FY24 and is offering incentives to MUDs in New Jersey to support the purchase and installation of eligible Level-Two (“L2”) EV charging equipment<sup>1</sup>. Subject to the availability of funds, the Program will award incentives in the form of checks payable to the applicant. Awards available under this Program include:

- Up to \$4,000 toward the purchase of a dual-port, networked L2 EV charging station, up to the cost of the charger.
- 50% of the cost up to a maximum of \$5,000 towards the make-ready costs for each L2 installation, for an applicant in a non-IOU territory.

Developments in either [Overburdened Municipalities](#)<sup>2</sup> (as defined by Board’s Community Energy Planning Program – Docket No. QO21091113) or developments that are deed restricted, 100% affordable (low-and moderate-income) housing are eligible for:

- Up to \$6,000 toward the purchase of a dual-port, networked L2 EV charging station, up to the cost of the charger, for a MUD located in an Overburdened Municipality (“OBM”).

All L2 EV charger incentives shall be assessed on a per unit basis. In addition, EV chargers located in, or requested by, developments in either OBM or developments that are deed restricted, 100% affordable (low- and moderate-income) housing are eligible to receive a higher-level incentive than other municipalities, as described above. Only one bonus may be applied. For charging equipment, eligible costs shall include the cost of the charger, taxes on the charger, delivery and activation fees and warranty for charger.

Applicants in non-IOU territories are those who do not receive electricity from Atlantic City Electric Company, Jersey Central Power and Light Company, Public Service Electric and Gas company, or Rockland Electric Company. An applicant in a non-IOU territory will be required to provide a utility bill as proof of electric service.

Annual award caps for Eligible Entities:

MUD Developments with:	Number of dual-port L2 chargers
5-40 Units	Up to 3
41-100 Units	Up to 6
101-200 units	Up to 12
200+ Units	Up to 24

<sup>1</sup> In re the Clean Energy Programs and Budget for Fiscal Year 2024, BPU Docket No. QO23040236, Order dated June 29, 2023.

<sup>2</sup> Specifically, an “Overburdened Community” is defined as one that meets the following criteria: (1) the municipality has more than 50% of its population living in an “overburdened community” census block as defined by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to New Jersey’s Environmental Justice Law, N.J.S.A. 13:1D-157 et seq.; and (2) the municipality meets one or both of the following criteria: (A) more than 35% of the municipality’s population lives under 200% of the poverty level according to U.S. Census 2019 American Community Service data; and/or (B) the municipality is categorized as “distressed” as defined by the DCA’s MRI (with a score of 50 or higher). See In re the New Jersey Clean Energy Program Fiscal Year 2022 Community Energy Planning, BPU Docket No. QO21091113, Order dated October 6, 2021.

## Program Administrator

All incentive questions should be directed to the Program Administrator, Center for Sustainable Energy (“CSE”).

**Center for Sustainable Energy**  
3980 Sherman Street, Suite 170  
San Diego, CA 92110  
Phone: 1-877-426-2474 (877-426-CHRG)  
Email: [njmud@energycenter.org](mailto:njmud@energycenter.org)

## Process

The primary goals of the program are to improve New Jersey’s air quality, contribute to meeting the State’s transportation electrification goals, and assist MUDs with the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charging equipment in order to ensure the equitable build-out of charging infrastructure in the State.

- There is a two-phase application process; Phase 1 and Phase 2 applications are located on the [Program website](#).
  - In Phase 1, an Applicant provides details of the intended purchase, and if approved, incentive funding will be reserved.
  - In Phase 2, an Applicant provides proof of purchase and installation and if approved, claim their incentive.
- An applicant may apply for any number of L2 EV charging stations, up the applicable annual award cap, through this Program. Applicants are not required to apply for their entire allotment at once.
- Eligible project sites may be apartments, condominiums or mixed residential locations that feature a minimum of five (5) units and have dedicated off-street parking.
- Eligible chargers must be located at parking spaces that are accessible to all residents and may be accessible to all visitors.
- Completed applications will have funding reserved on a first-come, first-served basis pending successful completion and submittal of the Phase 1 application.
- Payments shall be in the form of a mailed check, based on proof of purchase and installation of an eligible L2 charging station(s). All applicants will be required to complete and receive approval of a Phase 2 application in order to receive their incentive.
- NJ BPU reserves the right to inspect the charging station(s) for program verification purposes.
- Eligible L2 charging stations must be purchased, received, and installed prior to submitting the Phase 2 application.
- Applicants are not permitted to stack funding/incentives from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection’s (“NJ DEP”) It Pay\$ to Plug-In Program<sup>3</sup> and this Program for the same charging station. If an applicant has received funding from the It Pay\$ to Plug-In Program, documentation showing that the charging stations are different will be required when the applicant submits its Phase 2 application.

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<sup>3</sup> See NJDEP, *It Pay\$ to Plug In*, [overview.pdf \(nj.gov\)](#).

## Procedure

**Step 1:** Complete the Phase 1 Application Form on the Program webpage.

- If Program funding has been expended, an announcement will be posted on the Program website.

An Applicant should be prepared to provide preliminary information about their project including:

- Number and types of chargers to be installed; and
- Site information, such as addresses, site maps, and intended signage.

**Step 2:** An Applicant will be notified via email of their approval or rejection by CSE. An Applicant may not purchase a charging station or undertake construction (breaking ground on the site) prior to submitting the Phase 1 application. Placing an order for charging equipment prior to application is permitted.

**Step 3:** Work may begin at the time of Phase 1 application submission. An Applicant must purchase EV charging stations before submitting the Phase 2 application. Work performed or purchases made before receiving confirmation that funding has been reserved do so at their own risk and are not guaranteed availability of an incentive. Projects must be completed within 365 days of reservation award, or the reservation will be cancelled. An Applicant may reach out to the Program Administrator for an Extension.

**Step 4:** Complete and submit a Phase 2 application through the Program webpage along with paid invoice(s) and proof of installation for the EV charging station(s) listed on the Phase 1 application.

An Applicant should be prepared to provide:

- Proof of purchase for the incentivized chargers.
- Photos of the completed project.
- Serial Numbers for all incentivized chargers.
- Utility bill, if applying for the make-ready costs in a non-IOU territory.

**Step 5:** After review and approval of the Phase 2 application and required documents, incentive funds will be disbursed to the applicant via check to the mailing address on file. An Applicant can expect their incentive payment to be mailed within 60 days of notification of approval.

## Cancellation Policy

If the Program Administrator determines that an application or its required documents are incomplete, illegible, or missing required information, the Program Administrator will notify an Applicant of the error via email. The Applicant then shall have an additional fourteen (14) calendar days from the date of notification to correct any errors or omissions. If the Applicant fails to correct the errors or omissions within the additional fourteen (14) calendar days, CSE will cancel the application, and the BPU will not release the reserved funds to the Applicant. If CSE determines an Applicant is ineligible for reimbursement because the equipment did not qualify for an incentive, CSE will cancel the application, the BPU will not release the reserved funds, and the Program Administrator will notify the Applicant via email. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that they receive and review these email communications.

## Equipment Eligibility

The L2 EV charging stations covered under this Program may be of any brand an Applicant selects, provided that each such EV charging station must include standard ports available for use by all EVs (including, but not limited to J1772 and J3400), and the equipment chosen is an Energy Star certified®, dual-port charger as required by the Appliance Standards Act<sup>4</sup>, and has network capability with one of the State's Compliant Network Providers<sup>5</sup>. Chargers must maintain the federal uptime standards<sup>6</sup> (currently 97% uptime), for 5 years after installation.

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<sup>4</sup> See N.J.S.A. 52:27D-141.20; -141.21(h).

<sup>5</sup> <https://dep.nj.gov/drivegreen/network-service-providers/>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/02/28/2023-03500/national-electric-vehicle-infrastructure-standards-and-requirements>

## Participation in other State and Utility Incentive Programs

An Applicant is not permitted to combine funding/incentives from the NJ DEP It Pay\$ to Plug-In Program for the same charging station. If an Applicant has previously received funding from the NJ DEP It Pay\$ to Plug-In Program, documentation showing that the charging equipment detailed in an application for this Program is different from the equipment that received funding through the NJ DEP It Pay\$ to Plug-In Program will be required when an Applicant submits its Phase 2 application.

Please be advised that certain EV charging stations, including those at Municipal Utility Districts, that receive electric utility service from Atlantic City Electric Company (“ACE”), Jersey Central Power and Light Company (“JCP&L”), Public Service Electric and Gas Company (“PSE&G”), or Rockland Electric Company (“RECO”) may be eligible for additional EV charging incentives for installation costs directly from the utility. Projects may be eligible for *both* the incentives offered by this Program *and* incentives offered by ACE, JCP&L, RECO, or PSE&G, up to ninety percent (90%) of the combined charger purchase and installation costs. Please check ACE, JCP&L, RECO or PSE&G program eligibility requirements before purchasing EV charging equipment, as additional conditions on types of eligible chargers may apply for utility incentives.

ACE EV charging incentive information can be found at: [aceevsmart.programprocessing.com](http://aceevsmart.programprocessing.com)

PSE&G EV charging incentive information can be found at: [www.pseg.com/ev](http://www.pseg.com/ev)

JCP&L EV charging incentive information can be found at: [www.jcp-l.com/evdriven](http://www.jcp-l.com/evdriven)

RECO EV charging incentive information can be found at: <https://www.oru.com/en/our-energy-future/technology-innovation/electric-vehicles/new-jersey>

Eligible entities not in any of the above utility territories may be eligible for Make-Ready incentives through NJ BPU, in the application, entities must identify themselves as in a non-Investor-Owned Utility (IOU).

## General Terms and Conditions

An Applicant certifies that the information provided in an application is true and correct. An Applicant agrees to provide any additional information that NJ BPU may request to confirm the accuracy of the information provided and an Applicant’s eligibility for an incentive. An Applicant acknowledges and understands that obtaining an incentive by submitting intentionally inaccurate information and/or making fraudulent misrepresentations or omissions is strictly prohibited, that any wrongfully obtained incentives must be refunded, and that the Applicant may be subject to additional civil and criminal liability as a result. An Applicant further understands that NJ BPU may report and release information concerning such wrongdoing to state and local law enforcement, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, and any other appropriate authorities.

An incentive payment shall be paid directly to the Applicant listed on the application. Payment cannot be assigned or transferred. An Applicant is responsible for paying any and all tax liability imposed as a result of receiving an incentive. An Applicant should consult tax advisors concerning the taxability of an incentive, and NJ BPU is not responsible for any taxes imposed on an Applicant as a result of receipt of an incentive.



Neither NJ BPU nor CSE make representations, expressed or implied, regarding the design, construction, reliability, efficiency, performance, operation, maintenance, or use of any vehicle and/or equipment, discussed, selected, rejected, purchased/leased or otherwise considered by an Applicant. Any decisions regarding the selection, design, purchase/lease, use and operation of any vehicle and/or equipment shall be at the sole discretion and are the sole responsibility of an Applicant. NJ BPU and CSE do not guarantee energy or bill savings as a result of an incentive.

An Applicant agrees to release and hold harmless NJ BPU and CSE, its officers, directors, shareholders, employees and contractors from and against any and all causes of action, damages, losses, claims, expenses, demands, costs (including attorneys' fees and expenses and all court, arbitration or other dispute resolution costs), or any of them, resulting from, arising out of, or in any way directly connected with the Program, an Applicant's receipt of an incentive, failure to receive an incentive, any taxes associated therewith, or an Applicant's vehicle registration or registration status. Neither NJ BPU nor CSE make representations or warranties regarding whether an Applicant will or will not qualify to receive an incentive.

An Applicant agrees that these Terms and Conditions, and all matters arising out of or relating to the Program, whether sounding in contract, tort, or statute are governed by and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New Jersey, United States of America (including its statutes of limitations), without giving effect to the conflict of laws provisions thereof to the extent such principles or rules would require or permit the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the State of New Jersey.

To appeal the denial of an application, the Applicant must first contact BPU Staff at [EV.Programs@bpu.nj.gov](mailto:EV.Programs@bpu.nj.gov) within 45 calendar days of the determination regarding the subject of the appeal or dispute. The Applicant shall provide a copy of the letter or other document that is the subject of the dispute and as much other information as possible, including a detailed description of the issue and why the application should be granted. BPU Staff will consider appeals on a case-by-case basis. After acknowledging the receipt of an appeal, BPU Staff will review the submitted documentation and respond as soon as possible. If all attempts to resolve the issue have been exhausted, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:1-8.1 et seq., the Applicant may file a petition for a formal hearing with the NJ BPU.