



**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
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CLEAN ENERGY

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Order  
  
Customer On-Site Renewable  
Energy ("CORE") Program –  
Consent to Changes in  
Rebate Levels

DOCKET NO. EO04121550

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

**BY THE BOARD:**

On February 9, 1999 the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49, et. seq. (EDECA or the Act) was signed into law. In accordance with its September 11, 2003 Order, Docket Number EO02120955<sup>1</sup>, the Board directed the Office of Clean Energy ("OCE") Staff to assume the role of administrator of the Clean Energy Program.

In a December 23, 2004 Board Order in Docket No. EO04121550 the Board directed the Office of Clean Energy to undertake certain actions pursuant to the Customer On-Site Renewable Energy Program (CORE). Specifically, in its Order of December 23, 2004 the Board clarified and modified the CORE program to preserve the original intent of the program and make best use of limited funds. In that Order, the Board directed OCE to continue to monitor the CORE program to ensure that the maximum rebate amount and the percentage caps do not result in an over-commitment of funds available through the New Jersey Clean Energy Program, and to ensure that the residential rebates are not delayed. The Board also directed staff with the review and advice of the Clean Energy Council to evaluate and revise the rebate level to ensure the objectives specified in the December 23, 2004 Board Order in Docket No. EO04121550 are maintained in accordance with the four year funding level.

<sup>1</sup> In the Matter of The New Jersey Clean Energy Program – Recommendations for Administrative and Fund Management, Docket No. EO02120955, Final Order dated September 11, 2003.

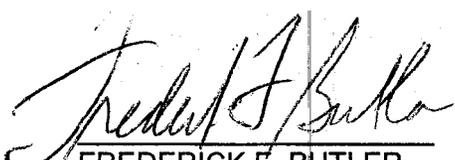
The Board re-affirmed its prior order of December 23, 2004 in the July 7, 2005 Order Docket No. EO04121550, specifically re-affirming its directive for the Office of Clean Energy to continually monitor the CORE program to insure that the budgets are appropriately maintained and to continue to monitor the rate of CORE rebate applications received, the CORE rebate commitments and CORE rebates actually paid on a monthly basis to ensure that the maximum rebate amount per CORE application per entity and the maximum percentage in anyone sector do not result in an over-commitment of funds available through the New Jersey Clean Energy Program, and to ensure that the residential rebates are not delayed. In that Order, the Board further directed that the Office of Clean Energy, with the review and advice of the Clean Energy Council, to evaluate and revise the rebate level to ensure the objectives specified in the December 23, 2004 Board Order in Docket No. EO04121550 are maintained in accordance with the four year funding level. The Board further directed that when the Office of Clean Energy has established a revised rebate level, OCE shall discuss it with the Board at the next available Board agenda meeting to obtain consent of the revised rebate level.

The Board HEREBY AFFIRMS that OCE established a revised rebate level in conjunction with the CEC and discussed it with the Board, consistent with the process and directives as set forth above. The Board HEREBY CONSENTS to the revised rebate levels as proposed by OCE at the December 21, 2005 meeting, attached hereto as Attachment A. Such rebate levels shall be effective on February 1, 2006.

DATED: 12/23/05

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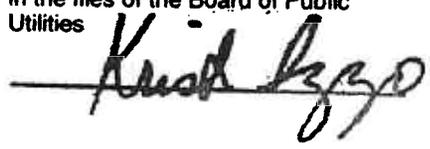
  
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KRISTI IZZO  
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within document is a true copy of the original in the files of the Board of Public Utilities



Attachment A

Figure 1. Adjusted CORE Rebate Schedule with Two Levels as proposed by the CEC

	Solar PV Rebate <sup>^</sup> effective 02/01/06, if public, institutional or AMT documented applicant	Solar PV Rebate effective 02/1/06 for private sector, residential, commercial and industrial CORE applicants eligible for ITC.
0 to 10,000 watts	\$5.30 per watt	\$4.95 per watt
10,001 to 40,000 watts	\$4.35 per watt	\$3.70 per watt
40,001 to 100,000 watts	\$3.75 per watt	\$3.20 per watt
100,001 to 700,000 watts	\$3.60 per watt	\$3.05 per watt

Figure 2. CORE Rebate Adders for Purchase of NJ-made modules and participation in the NJ Home Performance with Energy Star Program

PV System Size	OCE Staff Proposal CORE Rebate Adders		
	Assembled in NJ (\$0.25)	NJ Home Performance with Energy Star* (\$0.25)	Maximum Adder (\$0.50)
1kW - 10 kW	<b>\$5.20</b>	<b>\$5.20</b>	<b>\$5.45</b>
Rebate on 10 kW	\$52,000	\$52,000	\$54,500
>10kW - 100kw			
>10 kW - 40 kW	<b>\$3.95</b>	n/a*	<b>\$3.95</b>
>40 kW - 100 kW	<b>\$3.45</b>	n/a*	<b>\$3.45</b>
100 kw system	\$377,500	n/a*	\$377,500
>100 kW - 500 kW	<b>\$3.30</b>	n/a*	<b>\$3.30</b>
	\$1,320,000		\$1,320,000
500 kW system	\$1,697,500	n/a*	\$1,697,500
>500 kW - 700 kW	<b>\$3.30</b>	n/a*	<b>\$3.30</b>
>500 kW - 1 MW			
<b>Maximum Rebate</b>	\$2,127,000	n/a*	\$2,127,000

\* Only available for Residential projects not to exceed 10 kW