

# ENERGY STAR® HOME RATING

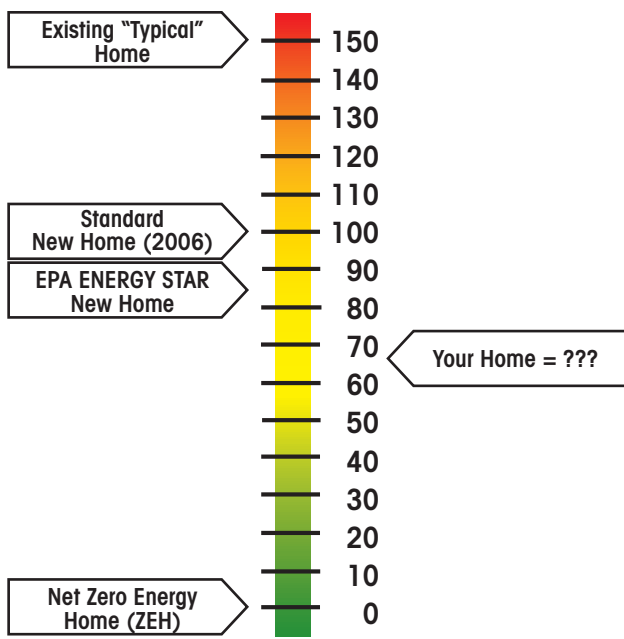
A "Green" home begins with ENERGY STAR® "Blue". An ENERGY STAR® Home Rating is a way for homeowners to verify the energy performance of their home, to qualify for an energy-efficient mortgage, and to receive the ENERGY STAR® label as an added value to the home. ENERGY STAR® qualified homes must meet strict energy efficiency guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. These homes are at least 15% more energy-efficient than homes built to the 2004 International Residential Code (IRC), and include additional energy-saving features that typically make them 20-30% more efficient than standard homes.

An ENERGY STAR® Home Rating is performed by a certified Home Energy Rating System (HERS) rater. The HERS rater inspects the home's energy loads, such as:

- ✓ Insulation levels
- ✓ Window efficiency
- ✓ Wall-to-window ratios
- ✓ Heating and cooling system efficiency
- ✓ Water heating system efficiency
- ✓ Number of ENERGY STAR® qualified lighting and appliances
- ✓ Infiltration measurement
- ✓ Duct performance

All of the data collected by the rater is entered into an accredited building simulation software tool to calculate the overall energy efficiency of the home. To qualify for an ENERGY STAR® home, a home must score 85 or below on the HERS Index. An existing, "typical" home rating is around 150 and a rating of 100 is a home built to minimum efficiency standards.

## HERS Index



Sources: ENERGY STAR and RESNET

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## Rebate Application Form

### Home Information:

Single Family     Multi-Family

Service Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Square footage(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of levels: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of buildings (multi-family only): \_\_\_\_\_

Performance Path or Prescriptive Path (circle one)

Date completed: \_\_\_\_\_

HERS Index Rating(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### Homeowner Information (If Applicable):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

City Utilities Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Builder Information:

Legal Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Doing Business As (DBA): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Tax ID # or Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

City Utilities Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of ENERGY STAR® qualified homes you have built: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of ENERGY STAR® qualified multi-family homes you have built: \_\_\_\_\_

### HERS Rater:

Rater's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years as a HERS Rater: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of ENERGY STAR® Homes Rated: \_\_\_\_\_

## Required Signatures:

By my signature, I understand that City Utilities is offering a rebate of \$350 for residential single- or multi-family electric and/or natural gas customers building an ENERGY STAR® qualified home with a HERS Index of 85 or below. City Utilities in no way expressly or implicitly warrants the performance of installed equipment or endorses any particular manufacturer, product system, or HERS Rater. City Utilities does not guarantee a specific level of energy or cost savings attributed to the ENERGY STAR® Home Rating Program. I certify the information provided with this application is true, and **I have read and understand the program guidelines.**

Before receiving a rebate from City Utilities of Springfield, a customer must prove that he or she is a citizen or permanent resident of or is lawfully present in the United States. In order to show your lawful presence in the U.S. in accordance with Section 208.009 R.S.Mo., **please provide your Missouri Driver's License Number or U.S. Passport Number:**

MO DL # or U.S. Passport # \_\_\_\_\_

Customer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

HERS Rater Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I would prefer to: (check one)

- Apply the rebate to my utility bill.
- Receive a rebate check.
- Donate the rebate to Project Share, a tax-deductible donation (This program is administered by Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation to assist City Utilities customers in need with emergency utility bill payments.)

## Rebate Process:

1. Determine the path to take for ENERGY STAR® Home Rating.
2. Select a Certified HERS Rater.
3. Begin construction and HERS inspections.
4. Complete construction and finalize remaining inspections.
5. Submit the following information:
  - Application with the customer and HERS rater signature.
  - Copies of ENERGY STAR® Qualified Home Certificate and Home Energy Rating Certificate.
  - Copy of HERS rater's dated invoice.
6. The rebate will be processed within 3-5 weeks after the properly submitted application and information is received.

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# ENERGY STAR® Home Rating Rebate Guidelines

1. This program began July 1, 2009. ENERGY STAR® Home Ratings completed prior to this date will not qualify for a rebate.
2. City Utilities residential single- or multi-family electric and/or natural gas customers building an ENERGY STAR® qualified home may be eligible for a \$350 rebate.
3. Rebates are for either the homeowner or builder, not both.
4. Applicants must be the customer of record for an active, non-delinquent account.
5. An ENERGY STAR® Home Rating may be obtained by either the performance or prescriptive path and must be conducted by a Certified Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Rater. A HERS rater will need to be retained by the homeowner or builder to complete on-site home inspections. The HERS results will be used in obtaining an ENERGY STAR® certification.
6. City Utilities does not perform the ENERGY STAR® rating of homes.
7. The homeowner or builder must submit a copy of the ENERGY STAR® Qualified Home Certificate and Home Energy Rating Certificate, which must indicate an index of 85 or below, as well as a copy of the HERS rater's dated invoice showing proof of third party verification.
8. Multi-family complexes are eligible for one ENERGY STAR® Home Rating Rebate per building. An ENERGY STAR® Qualified Home Certificate and Home Energy Rating Certificate must be submitted for each building. (Those applying for the multi-family rebates should contact City Utilities prior to submitting an application.)
9. The rebate application form must be signed and dated by both the HERS rater and homeowner or builder.
10. All required information must be submitted within 6 months of rating certification.
11. Modular or manufactured homes do not qualify.
12. This rebate may be used in conjunction with other rebates offered by City Utilities.
13. Rebates are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis until program funds have been depleted. Failure to provide required information may result in denial of the rebate.
14. City Utilities reserves the right to conduct onsite inspections and verify or review any additional data collected relating to the ENERGY STAR® Home Rating.
15. City Utilities is not responsible for the performance of installed equipment or materials, nor endorses any particular manufacturer, product, system, or HERS rater. City Utilities does not guarantee a specific level of energy or cost savings attributed to the ENERGY STAR® Home Rating Program, and does not provide any warranties or guarantees, expressed or implied.
16. City Utilities reserves the right to amend or discontinue this program without notice.



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<b>For Office Use Only:</b>	8/09
Date Received: _____	
Approved: _____	
Denied: _____	
Reason: _____	
Date Issued: _____	
<b>Rebate was applied to:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Bill	<input type="checkbox"/> Mailed Check
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Share	



## ENERGY STAR® Home Rating Rebate Program



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