



**NOTICE:**

The following important changes to the *Renewable Energy Incentive Program* (REIP) are effective for solar rebate applications submitted during 2010:

- 1) Residential projects that are greater than 10 kW will be eligible for a rebate only if they have completed Tier 3 of the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® program (HPwES). For information on HPwES please see <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/residential/programs/home-performance-energy-star/home-performance-energy-star-r>
- 2) All residential projects owners must now complete Tier 1 and Tier 2 (\$1,000 subsidized air sealing) HPwES requirements; if Tier 1 and Tier 2 are not completed, the rebate will be reduced by \$0.20 per watt from the current rebate rate of \$1.75 per watt.
- 3) All non-residential project owners must complete the Pay for Performance Program, Direct Install, or Local Municipal audit; if one of these programs are not completely, the rebate will be reduced by \$0.10 per watt. For more information on these programs, please see <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/home/home>
- 4) In order to be eligible for a rebate, new construction project owners must be located within a Smart Growth region. The following link can be used to determine if your project is located in a Smart Growth region. <http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/osg/smart/>
- 5) New construction project owners can be eligible for additional incentives above \$1.00 per watt based on the level of energy efficiency in the home as defined by the Energy Star Homes standard. Energy Star Home Ratings of Tier 1, 2, and 3 can be eligible for an extra \$0.25, \$0.50, and \$0.75 per watt respectively. For information on the New Homes Program, please see <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/residential/programs/nj-energy-star-homes/nj-energy-star-homes>.

**Please be aware that the following new requirements are applicable to any application received on or after January 1, 2010.** These new requirements do not impact applications which have already been approved or applications that were submitted and received by the Market Manager in 2009 but have not yet been approved.