

BPA Energy Efficiency Weekly Announcements

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New

Comfort Ready Home: Greener Water Heater promotion

The Comfort Ready Home Greener Water Heater promotion is starting soon! Reward your contractors with \$500 for every qualifying heat pump water heater (HPWH) installation Nov 1, 2023 – Sept 30, 2024. This promotion is funded by BPA and does not impact program EEI dollars...[More](#)

BEETS Update: Activity Reports

To improve user experience, BEETS users will now be able to pull Activity Reports within BEETS rather than logging into the separate BEETS Report Portal (Microsoft SSRS). Simply follow these [instructions](#). Conversely, the Invoice Detail Report – previously available only within BEETS – can now be found in Microsoft SSRS (in the Utility Reports folder). If you have any questions, please contact your EER.

Residential HVAC: Federal minimum efficiency standards reference table now available

At the start of the new 2024-2025 rate period, all residential ductless, air source and variable speed heat pumps need to meet or exceed the current federal minimum efficiency standards for heating seasonal performance factor 2, or HSPF2 and seasonal energy efficiency ratio, or SEER2, to qualify for BPA incentives. The implementation manual does not specify the current standards as standards are subject to change. BPA has received multiple utility requests to provide the current federal minimum efficiency standards for HSPF2 and SEER2, and their equivalent HSPF and SEER values. For ease of equipment verification during the incentive qualification process, BPA has created a reference document for the current ratings and it is now available under "Residential" and "Additional HVAC Reference Information" in the [BPA Document Library](#).



General

New Comfort Ready Home video: The Importance of Air Sealing

Air sealing is a critical component to making a home more comfortable and fully weatherizing a home to right size heating and cooling upgrades. This new video from Comfort Ready Home can show your customers and contractors how to find and address air sealing opportunities in the home...[More](#)

Events

Efficiency Exchange 2024: Deadline to submit session topics is Friday, Oct. 27

The call for session proposals is now open for Efficiency Exchange 2024, or EFX24, the region's premiere networking and learning conference for energy efficiency professionals. Hosted by Bonneville Power Administration, Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance and the Northwest Power and Conservation Council.

EFX24 will be held in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on May 14-15, 2024. Attendees from public and private utilities, consulting and research firms, nonprofit and government organizations come together to learn and network across the region.

To make sure your session idea is considered, [submit your proposal](#) by Friday, Oct. 27.

2023 regional utility roundtable dates

This fall's regional utility roundtable dates are now scheduled. BPA facilitates these annual gatherings to hear direct feedback from our public utility customers on various important energy-efficiency topics. Your energy efficiency representative will contact you with a calendar invite for your regional roundtable. We look forward to you and your fellow utility representatives joining the BPA energy-efficiency team for discussions on topics focused on your utility and end-use customers...[More](#)