

Energy Upgrade California® Home Upgrade Contractor Participation Agreement

The County of Los Angeles/Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) developed the Energy Upgrade California® Home Upgrade Program (the "Program") to offer financial incentives to eligible single-family property owners, who perform a whole-house energy retrofit at their eligible residence in Los Angeles County. The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN is administered by Los Angeles County in collaboration with Southern California Edison (SCE) and Southern California Gas (SoCalGas®) under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

The Program is designed to improve the energy performance, durability, healthiness and safety of existing residential housing in Los Angeles County. The objectives of the Program are to enhance the delivery of building performance services that use state-of-the-art diagnostic tools and the principles of building science to reduce energy consumption cost-effectively and safely, while also addressing building durability.

Offered by The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN and Energy Upgrade California, the Program is open to homeowners of single-family, detached homes in Los Angeles County who are customers of both SCE and SoCalGas.

This Contractor Participation Agreement ("Agreement") is between the Participating Contractor submitting this Agreement and The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN. Participating Contractors enter into an agreement with property owners to provide building performance consulting and/or installation services that are in compliance with Program requirements and standards.

Participating Contractor acknowledges that they have received, read, understand and agree to abide by the following Program documents that are incorporated into this Agreement herein by this reference:

1. The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Contractor Manual

This Agreement is completely voluntary and can be terminated at any time for any reason or no reason at all, by either The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN or the Participating Contractor with prior written notice from the terminating party to the other party. In the event of termination of the Participation Agreement for non-compliance, the Participating Contractor will be notified of such termination in writing, and will be allowed 7 days from the date of the notification to submit any remaining documentation for qualifying equipment or improvements, or request for an extension on this deadline. Request for extensions must include reasons and extended deadlines needed. Extension may or may not be approved based on the review of reason provided and extension requested.

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In consideration of the terms of this Agreement, the parties mutually agree to the following:

The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Commitments

County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN shall provide the following:

- 1. Information for Participating Contractors on Program procedures, requirements and qualifying equipment specifications.
- 2. On-site inspection of Property Owner's home, when selected per quality control inspection rates.
- 3. Inclusion of Participating Contractor contact information on a Participating Contractor List for Property Owners once Participating Contractors have met all Program requirements.
- 4. Provide field mentoring and technical support to assist the Participating Contractor to achieve success in the Program by delivering high-quality home performance services.
- 5. Account managers to help Participating Contractors achieve success in the Program by delivering high-quality home performance services, assisting with Program-related issues and answering Participating Contractor questions.

Participating Contractor Commitments

Participating Contractor agrees to strictly comply with each of the following regarding its participation in the Program:

- 1. The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Contractor Manual, supplemented by Program documentation, shall govern the Program-specific roles, responsibilities, requirements, policies and guidelines. The Participating Contractor acknowledges receipt of these documents and agrees to comply with all of their terms and conditions. The Participating Contractor shall immediately bring any ambiguity in, or conflict between these documents to the attention of The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN for clarification and resolution.
- 2. While performing any activities connected to the Program, Participating Contractors must comply with all applicable BPI and certification standards governing home performance assessments, diagnostics and treatments as described in The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Contractor Manual.
- 3. Hold and maintain certifications, licenses, insurance coverage and obtain all legally-required building permits as required by local jurisdictions.
- 4. Install equipment meeting or exceeding specifications and/or eligible installations as listed in The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Contractor Manual; misrepresentation of the installed equipment or improvements will not be tolerated.
- 5. Participating Contractor must ensure that the Participating Contractor's certified technicians receive, at a minimum, training that is in compliance with each certification's continuing education credits requirement.
- 6. Participating Contractor must complete and return the Project Completion Form and combustion safety data and all necessary documentation within ninety (90) days from the date of incentive reservation (i.e. the day email notification is sent confirming funds have been successfully reserved, which serves as a Notice to Proceed).

- 7. Install all qualifying improvements in a professional manner, consistent with industry standards, and in conformance with all applicable building codes, zoning laws, local, state, and federal requirements, and other relevant requirements.
- 8. Maintain accurate business records relating to the installation of qualifying improvements according to customary industry practice for at least three years following installation. Business records must be made available for verification by The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN if requested.
- 9. Participating Contractor shall not use The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN, Los Angeles County, SCE or SoCalGas name or logo in promotions or advertising without the express written consent of the applicable party.
- 10. Customers cannot receive a rebate for the same product or equipment from more than one energy-efficiency Program offering rebates, financing or other rebates funded with SCE or SoCalGas ratepayer dollars.
- 11. Participating Contractor shall not misrepresent any information on incentive applications concerning their purpose, policies and procedures, or Participating Contractor's role in either the Program or their relationship with Energy Upgrade California or The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN.
- 12. Participating Contractor shall not falsify any invoice to take credit for home upgrade measures that had been performed prior to an incentive reservation submission.
- 13. Participating Contractor understands that participation in the Program does not constitute an endorsement of the Participating Contractor of any kind by Energy Upgrade California or The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN. Participating Contractor shall not state or imply any such endorsement, either directly or indirectly.
- 14. Participating Contractor shall be solely responsible for the work of any and all subcontractors.
- 15. The Participating Contractor must provide participating Property Owners with all required materials and documentation as described in The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Contractor Manual.
- 16. Participating Contractor must allow random field inspections and field mentoring by The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN or their designee of work that has been performed.
- 17. Participating Contractor, upon request from The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN and at no additional cost to the Property Owner, shall make reasonable repairs or corrections to work that Participating Contractor has performed to bring such work up to Program standards as set forth in The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN Contractor Manual and subsequent Program updates.

Limitation of Liability:

IN NO EVENT SHALL THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES/SOCALREN, LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES, CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES, OR SCE & SOCALGAS BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LOST PROFITS OR INTERRUPTION OF BUSINESS) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

Indemnification:

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Participating Contractor shall, at its own cost, defend, indemnify and hold harmless The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN, Los Angeles County and its representatives, California Center for Sustainable Energy and its representatives, SCE and SoCalGas including their officers, directors, employees, agents, assignees and successors in interest, from and against any and all liability (including damages, losses, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, costs, including attorney's fees and expenses, and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) resulting from, arising out of, or in any way connected with this Agreement or acts and/or omissions of the Participating Contractor.

Participating Contractor Insurance Requirements:

During the term hereof, Participating Contractor shall maintain the following minimum insurance coverage and limits of liability unless stated herein:

Description	Program Requirement
Commercial General Liability	Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Commercial General Liability Coverage "Occurrence" Form, with no coverage deletions. The limit shall not be less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence / \$2,000,000 in aggregate for bodily injury, property damage and personal injury.
Business Automobile Liability	Coverage shall be at least as broad as the ISO Business Auto Coverage Form covering Automobile Liability, Code 1, and owned and operated company vehicle. The limit shall not be less than \$1,000,000 each accident for bodily injury and property damage.
Workers' Compensation	Statutory Workers' Compensation in accordance with California state and local requirements. Employers Liability insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000 for injury or death each accident. California Statutory Workers' Compensation insurance is not required if you have no employees (please provide a waiver for workers' compensation liability with your Contractor Application if you have no employees).
Professional Liability, Errors and Omissions	Professional Liability insurance is not required. However, the Participating Contractor is encouraged to consider such coverage in consultation with the Participating Contractor insurance broker.

The corresponding coverage held by the Participating Contractor is for the sole use and protection of the Participating Contractor. All coverage obtained and maintained by the Participating Contractor shall be primary to and non-contributory with any and all applicable coverage held by The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN. All coverage obtained and maintained by the Participating Contractor shall contain cross-liability coverage and severability of interests language. The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN shall not be responsible for any deductibles, self-insured retentions and/or waiting periods that may appear in the policies.

Receipt, or failure to receive, or failure to request any certificate of insurance for any of the required insurance coverage and limits shall not act or be construed as an approval of Participating Contractor's insurance or as a release or waiver of Participating Contractor's obligation to provide any or all of the insurance coverage and limits required therein. Said certificates shall contain evidence that the policy or policies shall not be canceled or altered without providing at least thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to The County of Los Angeles/SoCalREN.

Insurance requirements shall be maintained by Participating Contractor per above Program agreement and the Participating Contractor must provide copies upon request with the following requirements:

- Insured company name and address matches CSLB listing.
- Coverage values as described in table above.

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☐ By signing this Agreement, Participating Contrac	ctor's duly authorized representative is certifying that:
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 Participating Contractor's representative has Contractor's behalf. 	the necessary legal authority to act on Participating
• All of the information provided is accurate.	
 Participating Contractor has read, understood this Agreement. 	d, and hereby agrees to all of the terms and conditions of
 Participating Contractor is required to submit t 	the following documents prior to participation in the Program
 Current Business License 	
• IRS Form W-9	
Participating Contractor Signature	Participating Contractor Name (printed)
Company Name	Date
CSLB License Number	

Energy Upgrade California® Home Upgrade provides assistance and incentives for home improvement projects that can reduce energy use and make homes more comfortable. This statewide program is managed locally by utilities and regional energy networks and directed by the California Public Utilities Commission in collaboration with the California Energy Commission. Funding comes from utility customers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. Incentives are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are effective until the funding is expended or the program is discontinued. Terms and conditions apply. See program rules for details. Programs may be modified or terminated without prior notice. ©2017 Southern California Regional Energy Network. Trademarks are property of their respective owners. All rights reserved.