

MANITOBA HYDRO

2012/13 & 2013/14 ELECTRIC GENERAL RATE APPLICATION

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Manitoba Hydro Undertaking #74

Manitoba Hydro to provide details on the Province of Manitoba's geothermal program.

Response:

The Province of Manitoba encourages the installation of geothermal heat pumps through two incentive programs.

- Tax credits
 - Existing and new homes
 - 7.5 per cent tax credit on geothermal heat pumps that are manufactured in Manitoba for use in Manitoba, and;
 - 15 per cent tax credit on the remainder of the capital costs of the geothermal system (excluding the heat pump).
 - Commercial buildings – refundable tax credit up to 15 per cent of the value of the installed geothermal system in Manitoba.
 - District/community systems - refundable tax credit up to 15 per cent of the value of the installed geothermal system in Manitoba.
 - Manitoba heat pump manufacturers – refundable tax credit up to 7.5 per cent of the price for the qualifying heat pumps made and sold for use in the province.
- Grants
 - Existing and new homes – \$2,600 grant for residential homes in natural gas serviced areas.
 - District/community systems – up to \$150,000 maximum grant available for a district/community geothermal system that serves a minimal of three detached buildings along with other requirements.