



# GO ZERO Incentive Program for Zero-Emission Appliances

## SMALL BUSINESS REBATE APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for your interest in participating in the South Coast AQMD GO ZERO Small Business Incentive Program. Rebates are for eligible heat pump water heater(s) installed on or after December 8, 2025, and are offered when funding is available during the phase. Please visit [www.GOZEROSmallBusiness.com](http://www.GOZEROSmallBusiness.com) for more information or contact Willdan at (844) 437-0481 or [GOZEROSmallBusiness@willdan.com](mailto:GOZEROSmallBusiness@willdan.com).

South Coast AQMD may require verification of the information submitted in the application including but not limited to: the identity of the property or business owner; contractor status and license; and product eligibility; and may request additional documentation to verify eligibility. South Coast AQMD may delay or deny payment when submissions contain inconsistencies or suspected misrepresentation.

### 1. Eligibility Requirements

- An independently owned/controlled and operated, AND meet at least one of the following criteria:
  - 100 employees or less
  - Total gross annual receipts \$5 million or less
  - A non-profit organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3).
- Located within South Coast AQMD geographical boundaries (verify at [www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/jurisdiction](http://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/jurisdiction)).
- Applicant may elect for the rebate to be paid to the Installer by signing the relevant section at the end of this application.

### 2. Required Documents (all forms are available at [www.GOZEROSmallBusiness.com](http://www.GOZEROSmallBusiness.com))

- Completed Rebate Application
- Installer's invoice, which must include:
  - Itemized costs for: Labor, Equipment, Electrical Upgrade(s), Permitting, and Other.
  - Model and associated Serial Number for each unit installed.
  - Rebate amount must be included if it will be issued to the Installer.
- IRS Form W9: Must be completed by the person or entity that is receiving the rebate.
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Authorization form (OPTIONAL): This enables Willdan to directly deposit the rebate and should be completed by the person or entity that is receiving the rebate.
- A permit must be attached to the application.
- The applicant must include any additional incentives applied for.
- All items above must be submitted to Willdan using one of the options below:
  - 1) Online at [www.GOZEROSmallBusiness.com](http://www.GOZEROSmallBusiness.com)
  - 2) Via email to [GOZEROSmallBusiness@willdan.com](mailto:GOZEROSmallBusiness@willdan.com)
  - 3) Print and mail to: Willdan  
Attn: South Coast AQMD GO ZERO Incentive Program  
2401 E Katella Ave, Suite 300  
Anaheim, CA 92806

### 3. Eligible Equipment and Rebates

- Heat pumps must be Energy Star certified or have an efficiency equivalent to, or higher than, the Energy Star standard. This requirement may be modified if the Energy Star program ends.
- Each business is eligible for one heat pump water heater rebate, only.
- The rebate is subject to change without notice pursuant to South Coast AQMD requirements and available budget.

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| All Electric Heat Pump to Replace Gas or Propane Water Heating Systems | \$4,000 per heat pump |
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### Applicant Information

Contact First Name

Contact Last Name

Title

Business Name

Contact Phone

Contact Email

Installation Street Address

Installation City

Installation State

Installation Zip Code

Did the installation take place in an overburdened area? (As defined by CalEnviroScreen: <https://oehha.ca.gov/calenviroscreen/sb535>)

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unsure

### Installer Information

Contact First Name

Contact Last Name

Contact Phone

Contact Email

Company Name

Installer License #

Installation Completion Date

Installer Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Other Rebates or Incentives applied for or intend to apply for:



Permit Information

Are you obtaining a permit?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Permit Issuer

Permit Number

Appliance Table

Each field must be completed entirely. If you need support, please contact Willdan at (844) 437-0481 or [GOZEROSmallBusiness@willdan.com](mailto:GOZEROSmallBusiness@willdan.com).

| Old Equipment (to be replaced) Information |       |          | New Equipment Information |       |          |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|----------|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| Product Brand                              | Model | Capacity | Product Brand             | Model | Capacity |
|                                            |       |          |                           |       |          |



### Certification of Rebate Application Submission

I certify that:

1. My business meets the definition at the top of this application.
2. I have received the installation of the new equipment by the installer above.
3. I will adhere to all GO ZERO Incentive Program terms and conditions.
4. I understand there may be post-installation inspection or audit requirements.
5. I am an authorized signor for the premises for which the eligible appliance(s) was/were installed.
6. I have not received, may not apply for, and am not aware of, any GO ZERO Incentive Program rebates or applications for the same appliance(s) for this/these premises (e.g. "double dipping") and understand that if an additional application is submitted for the same appliance(s) it will be rejected.
7. If applicant is a tenant, I have obtained permission from the property owner and made arrangements and/or have an agreement with them as to the equipment, cost, and this rebate, and I will hold Willdan and South Coast AQMD harmless for any damages resulting from any disputes that may arise with myself and the property owner relating to the equipment or the rebate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

### Certification to Release Rebate Funds to Installer (Required if authorizing an installer to apply and receive the rebate)

By signing this section, I am hereby choosing to release the rebate payment to the authorized installer listed in my application above. I maintain that the terms and conditions of this application have and will continue to be met and will make available my property for an inspection (if required).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Funding is limited and submitting a rebate application does not guarantee you will receive a rebate. Rebates are for eligible water heating appliances installed on or after December 8, 2025, and are offered when funding is available.
  - a. Funding may be made available in additional phases.
  - b. The start of rebate offer period for each phase, or any program pause or restart, will be announced by South Coast AQMD notice(s).
  - c. Applications submitted beyond a rebate offer period, which could be after the end of a phase but prior to the start of a potential future phase, or during any program pause, may be denied.
2. Rebate amounts and general funding budget amounts are subject to change without notice. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to adjust rebate totals to ensure they do not exceed actual expenses.
3. The program may be paused and resumed as required during any phase or in between phases. This program may be modified or terminated without prior notice.
4. A rebate issued from this program, in combination with other incentives available, shall not exceed the total project cost. The South Coast AQMD and/or Willdan reserves the right to adjust the GO ZERO rebate for this purpose.
5. All installations are subject to on-site or virtual inspections at the discretion of South Coast AQMD and/or Willdan. If the installation cannot be verified, the application will be rejected, or the applicant must reimburse the program for the rebate if the application has been processed and rebate has been issued.
6. South Coast AQMD is not responsible for any taxes or fees associated with receiving GO ZERO rebates.
7. Neither Willdan nor South Coast AQMD make any representations or warranties relating to the appliances referenced in this program, including but not limited to any hazardous substances that may be contained in the appliance, the quality or longevity of the appliance.



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8. Applicant waives and releases Willdan and South Coast AQMD and any or all contractors or agents from any and all claims and causes of action arising out of the installation and use of appliances pursuant to the GO ZERO Incentive Program.
9. The qualified appliance must be installed before submitting the rebate application.
10. Funding methods are at the discretion of South Coast AQMD. Funding from South Coast AQMD may not be available after the 90-day period, and Willdan may not be able to re-issue payment. South Coast AQMD will determine the payment options and reserves the right not to reissue expired funds.
11. Rebate payments may be subject to state/federal income tax and are the responsibility of the Rebate applicant.
12. Rebate applications must be complete, accurate, and include all required documentation. Applications are subject to verification and review for accuracy, including all necessary documentation. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to request additional documentation or reject applications containing inaccurate information. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to reject any application if the submitted documents, application data, or physical installation cannot pass the verification process. If the application has been processed and rebate has been issued, the applicant will be required to reimburse the program for the rebate for any installation that cannot be verified.
13. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to reject any application submitted by an applicant who provides, or has previously provided, false or misleading information to the GO ZERO Incentive Program or any other program administered by the South Coast AQMD. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to reject any application submitted by an applicant who declines an in-person verification. Responsible parties may be banned from GO ZERO rebates and services. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to block from the program any installer or applicant that misuses or misrepresents the project costs, equipment efficiency, provides falsified information, or does not pass down the rebate to the end user based on invoice or quote information.
14. If installation cannot be verified, the applicant must reimburse the GO ZERO Incentive Program for rebates received and any associated processing costs, upon the request of South Coast AQMD.
15. Applicants must provide information regarding all other incentives obtained or pursued for the installed equipment covered in the application form.
16. The rebated appliance must replace a NOx-emitting appliance with equivalent function, unless South Coast AQMD provides a specific exemption for the application. The removed NOx-emitting appliance cannot be reinstalled in any location. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to reject an application if it is determined that the NOx-emitting appliance was not removed and/or that the NOx emitting appliance was re-installed and put into use. The applicant will be required to repay the rebate in such instances.
17. South Coast AQMD reserves the right to determine eligibility and rebate amounts and to conduct verifications.
18. South Coast AQMD may, at its discretion, verify identity, residency, contractor status, and product eligibility, and may request such additional document as is needed to verify eligibility. South Coast AQMD retains full authority to pursue any and all remedies available at law or in equity for breach or other noncompliance with program requirements or these Terms and Conditions.
19. By submitting this application, the applicant authorizes South Coast AQMD to share application data and verifying communication with program evaluators, state regulatory agencies, and other incentive programs for the purpose of program auditing or evaluation. Items in the application may be shared with property owners upon their request.
20. By applying for a GO ZERO incentive or by participating in the program, application documents, forms, and data submitted may be made available to the public as may be required by law, including but not limited to the California Public Records Act (California Government Code Section 7920.000 et seq.), court order, or legal process (such as a subpoena).