

CONTRACTOR INSIGHTS

 STEARNS ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION | FEBRUARY 2025

2025 ENERGYWISE® REBATES

QUALITY INSTALL AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP

≥ 14.3 SEER2 & ≥ 7.5 HSPF2 \$500
2025 CEE Tier 1 Listed \$800

GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMP

\$150 / ton (10-ton max.)

NEW DUAL FUEL REBATE

\$200 (9 kW min.)

THERMAL STORAGE SPACE HEATING

\$50 per kW (5 kW min.)

ECM MOTOR (for replacements only)

\$50

POOL HEATING

Pool ASHP \$400
Pool Pump VSD \$200

NEW MARATHON WATER HEATER

(purchased from Stearns Electric)

\$300 80+ gallon on Stored Water or

Peak Shave programs

\$100 50+ gallon on Peak Shave Program

ELECTRIC WATER HEATER

(contractor/member supplied)

\$100 50+ gallon on Stored Water or

Peak Shave programs

HEAT PUMP WATER HEATER

\$300

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGER

\$500

WIFI THERMOSTAT

\$25

ENGINE BLOCK HEATER TIMER

\$5

AC TUNE-UP

\$25

ECM WATER HEATER CIRCULATING PUMP

\$50

2025 ENERGY STAR® REBATES

DUCTLESS ASHP

≥ 14.3 SEER2 & ≥ 7.5 HSPF2 \$300
2025 CEE Tier 1 Listed \$300

REFRIGERATOR OR FREEZER

(with recycling of old unit)

\$50

CLOTHES DRYER

\$25

DEHUMIDIFIER

\$25

LED YARD LIGHT (must be 50-100 watts)

\$30

In order to receive the EnergyWise® rebates, members must enroll in the associated program, if applicable.

Visit stearnslectric.org for complete details.



SAVE THE DATE: CONTRACTOR DINNER

March 13, 2025 • American Legion, Melrose

Save the date for our 2025 Contractor Dinner on Thursday, March 13 from 5-7:30 p.m. at the American Legion in Melrose. Everyone who attends will be eligible to win electric tools in our door prize drawings! Join us for a free dinner and to learn more about our contractor program. *This will be the only Stearns Electric-hosted Contractor Meeting in 2025.*

PREFERRED VENDOR AWARD 2024

At the upcoming Contractor Dinner, we will draw winners for the 2024 Preferred Vendor Awards. Three of our Preferred Vendors from 2024 will win an evening golfing at the Albany Toptracer Range, compliments of Stearns Electric's Energy Services team on Thursday, May 8 from 6-8 p.m. Your company must be present at the Contractor Dinner to win!

Each winner will receive two hours of golfing for up to six people. Individuals who golf must be owners or employees of their company. An assortment of food and beverage tickets will be provided.

NEW ASHP REQUIREMENTS FOR 2025

Great River Energy (GRE), provided new requirements on Air Source Heat Pumps (ASHPs) that receive rebates in 2025. High efficiency tier is based on SEER2 and HSPF2 ratings while the Premium efficiency tier will be based on 2025 CEE Tier 1 listed in the AHRI directory.

What is CEE Tier listed? It means a product that has been rated as energy efficient by the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE). The CEE is a group of experts that work to promote energy-saving solutions. For more information, please visit <https://cee1.org/>.

2025 ASHP Rebates:

Ducted Units

- ≥14.3 SEER2 & ≥ 7.5 HSPF2 \$500 rebate
- 2025 CEE Tier 1 Listed \$800 rebate

Ductless Units

- ≥14.3 SEER2 & ≥7.5 HSPF2 \$300 rebate
- 2025 CEE Tier 1 Listed \$300 rebate

PREFERRED VENDORS 2025

ELECTRICIANS:

- Absolute Electric
- Beam Electric
- Blue Stone Electric
- Brooten Electric
- Central MN Electric
- CN Electric
- Delta Electric
- Essler Electric
- Go Electric LLC
- H & I Electrical LLC
- H & S Heating, AC, Electrical & Plumbing
- Mechanical Energy Systems
- Oak Electric
- Reuter Country Electric
- Sunset Electric
- Torborg Electric
- Whitley Electric

HVAC/PLUMBING CONTRACTORS:

- Advanced Heating & Cooling
- Air Max LLC
- Albany Heating, AC & Service
- Ballou Plumbing & Heating
- Bitz Plumbing & Heating
- Blair's Heating & AC
- Central Heating & AC
- Central Mechanical
- Gilk Services
- H&S Heating, AC, Electrical & Plumbing
- Hommerding Plumbing, Heating & AC
- HVAC Shop
- Kohnen's Heating & AC
- Lyon Sheet Metal & Heating
- Mechanical Brothers LLC
- Mechanical Energy Systems
- Mid Central Heating & AC
- Midwest Refrigeration & HVAC
- Mondloch Inc.
- Mr. Heating & AC
- Norgren Plumbing, LLC
- Precise Refrigeration, Heating & AC
- Schneider Plumbing LLC
- Voss Plumbing & Heating, Inc.
- Your Home Heating & AC

CO-OP MEMBERS CAN WIN ROOMBA!

In 2025, all members who take advantage of our special promotions earn a chance to win an iRobot Roomba Vacuum Cleaner!



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PRICE INCREASE FOR MARATHON WATER HEATERS

Please note, prices for Marathon water heater tanks and parts have increased in 2025.

PRODUCT	CONTRACTOR PRICE	MEMBER-CONSUMER PRICE
Marathon 50 gal.	\$1,150	\$1,250
Marathon 85 gal.	\$1,600	\$1,700
Marathon 100 gal.	\$1,750	\$1,850

Please see the Product Pricing information sheet for complete details.

THANK YOU, TRUSTED PARTNERS!

In 2024 we launched our new Trusted Partners program - a reward program for contractors that submit project tips for commercial, industrial and agricultural projects. We had six contractors submit tips to earn at least 70 points, and two* of those that exceeded 115 points and received \$75 each in gift cards. Thank you to our participants:

- Central MN Electric
- Erickson Electric
- Reuter Country Electric*
- Millwood Electric
- Engle Electric
- Precise Heating, AC & Refrigeration*

2025 PROMOTIONAL CALENDAR

Stearns Electric is offering enhanced rebates during certain promotional periods in 2025!

Stored Water Promotion: January 1 - April 30, 2025

Members who purchase a 100-gallon electric water heater and enroll in the Stored Water Heating Program will receive the normal rebate and have the option for an additional \$100 rebate or free water delivery to their home.

ASHP Promotion: May 1 - August 31, 2025

Stearns Electric members can earn additional rebate dollars if they install an ASHP that meets the qualifications of the program. Learn more at our Contractor Dinner!

PLUS, members who take advantage of the rebate periods above can win even more! See side panel for details.

EV Charger Promotion: September 1 - December 31, 2025

Members who purchase an electric vehicle charger and enroll in the ChargeWise Program receive the normal rebate and are entered to win an iRobot Roomba Vacuum Cleaner.

COMVERGE TO DEMAND RESPONSE UNIT UPDATE

The change-out from Comverge to Aclara demand response units (DRUs) continues for Dual Fuel metered sites throughout our service territory. We are currently 46% completed with the changeout at our targeted sites.

DRU Conversions Completed:

- Dual Fuel Sites - 2,832
- Irrigation Sites - 636
- Electric Vehicle Charger Sites - 102
- Interruptible Gen-Set Sites - 143



NEW WIRING OPTION AVAILABLE FOR ASHPs

There is a new option for Single Circuit Subtractive Metering for an Air Source Heat Pump. Visit stearnselectric.org/contractors/wiring-guides for more information.