State Programs

Empire Zones

In some instances qualified business may be eligible for special reduced electric and gas rates that locate or expand their operations in one of New York State’s 52 Empire Zones (formerly Economic Development Zones). Empire Zone programs are administered through cooperation of the Empire State Development Corporation (ESD), New York State Department of Labor, the Public Service Commission (PSC) and the local economic development certification board. The regional offices for ESD are available by accessing ESD’s website http://www.empire.state.ny.us

Recharge NY Program

An economic development power program designed to retain and create jobs through allocations of low-cost power, administered by the New York Power Authority (NYPA) is available to businesses and non-profit organizations. Some businesses are not eligible, including all retail businesses, sports venues, gaming or entertainment-related establishments, and places of overnight accommodation. For more information contact NYPA at 1-888-562-7697 or access the NYPA’s website http://www.nypa.gov/ or Email recharge.newyork@nypa.gov

Excelsior Jobs Program

The program provides job creation and investment incentives to firms in such targeted industries as biotechnology, pharmaceutical, high-tech, clean-technology, green technology, financial services, agriculture and manufacturing. Firms in these industries that create and maintain new jobs or make significant financial investment are eligible to apply for tax credits. The Program encourages businesses to expand in or relocate to New York. More information is available on the Empire State Development Corporation website http://www.empire.state.ny.us/BusinessPrograms/Excelsior.html, including contact information for the appropriate ESD Regional Office covering the project area.
Utility Programs

Central Hudson Gas and Electric - http://www.centralhudson.com/

Contact: Anthony Campagiorni  
Phone: (845) 486-5201 or (800) 527-2714

Ask about:
- Shovel Ready Site Program
- Wired Innovation Centers Program
- Job Creation-Attraction/Expansion Program
- Revitalization of Buildings Program
- Business Retention for Manufactures Program
- Regional Marketing Program
- Substation Maintenance Credit Program
- Main Street Revitalization Program
- Recharge New York Program
- Excelsior Jobs Program

Consolidated Edison - http://www.coned.com/

Contact: Tanya Brown  
Email: browntan@coned.com  
Phone: (800) 752-6633

Ask about:
- Business Incentive Program
- Energy Cost Savings Program
- Lower Manhattan Energy Program
- Gas Manufacturing Incentive Rate Program


Contact: (716) 857-7776 or (800) 365-3234

Ask about:
- New York Area Development Program
- New York Business Development Rates
- New York Empire Zone Rates
- New York Excelsior Jobs Program
Utility Economic Development Programs

**National Grid** - [http://www.nationalgridus.com](http://www.nationalgridus.com)

Contact: Brian Anderson  
Email: Brian.Anderson@us.ngrid.com  
Phone: (315) 428-6798   Upstate: (800) 642-4272   Metro: (718) 643-4050   LI: (800) 930-5003

Ask About:
- Capital Investment Incentive Program
- Industrial Building Redevelopment Program
- Brownfield Redevelopment Assistance Program
- 3-Phase Power Incentive Program
- Cooperative Business Recruitment Program
- Strategic Economic Development Program
- Energy Efficiency in Empire Zones Program
- Agricultural Business Productivity Program
- Renewable Energy and Economic Development Program
- Power Quality Enhancement Program
- Manufacturing Productivity Program
- Building Ready Upstate Program
- Shovel Ready Incentive Program
- Cleantech Incubation Program
- Urban Center/Commercial District Revitalization Program
- Main Street Revitalization Program
- Agricultural Residential Discount Program
- Excelsior Jobs Program


Contact: (800) 456-5153

Ask about:
- Brownfield/Building Redevelopment Program
- Utility Infrastructure Investment Program
- Capital Investment Incentive Program
- Agriculture Capital Investment Program
- Business Energy Efficiency Assistance
- Economic Development Outreach Program
- Gas Infrastructure Investment Program
- Power Quality/Reliability Program
- Targeted Financial Assistance Program
- Agricultural Residential Discount Program
- Excelsior Jobs Program
Orange and Rockland - [http://www.oru.com/](http://www.oru.com/)

Contacts: Deborah Patterson or Toni Graziano  
Phone: Deborah at (845) 577-2498 and Toni at (201) 236-6009 or (877) 434-4100

Ask about:
- New York Economic Development Rate

PSEG Long Island - [https://www.psegliny.com/](https://www.psegliny.com/)

Contact: 1-800-528-2005

Ask about:
- Business Attraction/Expansion Programs
- Business Incubation Program
- Manufacturing Competitiveness Program
- Excelsior Jobs Program
- Recharge New York
- Load Shifting Option

Rochester Gas and Electric (RG&E) - [http://www.rge.com/](http://www.rge.com/)

Contact Number: (800) 456-5153

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