

EarthCents® New Home Program Requirements

Our EarthCents® New Home Program supports the residential new construction industry in building energy efficient homes within the Georgia Power service territory. To achieve this goal, we offer rebates to builders for homes that meet and exceed the program's requirements for high efficiency.

Eligibility Requirements

- Homes and units must have electric service provided by Georgia Power and have a Georgia Power electric meter number.
- Space heating and water heating equipment must be electric.
- All New Home rebate projects require signed EarthCents® Builder Agreements. 2019 Agreements will require pre-approval by Georgia Power.
- HERS Raters must submit an online rebate application with supporting documentation for each home requesting a rebate.

Rebate Requirements

For Single Family homes rated in calendar year 2019 for a builder with a signed 2019 Georgia Power Builder Agreement, the following rebates are available:

Rebates ¹	Rebate Amount	Requirements
EarthCents® Single Family Home	\$500 per home	HERS Score \leq 74
Integral Heat Pump Water Heater (cannot be combined with EarthCents® New Home Rebate above)	\$250 per unit	EF \geq 2.0 FHR (first hour rating) \geq 50 gallons

¹Incentives are not available for Points below 74 HERS Rating or New EarthCents® Multifamily units.

For Multifamily buildings rated in calendar year 2019 for a builder with a signed 2019 Georgia Power Builder Agreement, the following rebates are available:

Rebates	Rebate Amount	Requirements
EarthCents® Multifamily Unit	\$150 per unit	\leq 74 or ASHRAE 90.1 2007 Improvement greater than or equal to 7.5%

Additional Program Requirements

Documentation

Participating builders are responsible for having their contracted HERS Rater submit the following documentation for each home:

- Required data needed for Rater's entry in Georgia Power's online application system.
- REM/Rate file (or other approved RESNET-approved rating software).
- If home has been selected for QA/QC, a PDF of home plans (elevation, floor plans and mechanical).

Use of RESNET-Approved HERS Rater

All builders must use a RESNET approved HERS Rater for testing and verifying each building's efficiency. The HERS Rater must be registered with the EarthCents® New Home program in order to be eligible to submit the online rebate application. The HERS Rater must also be in good standing with their chosen Provider.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control

We will implement a quality assurance and quality control (QAQC) program. QAQC provides assurance to builders that their homes meet program specifications and that HERS Raters are following RESNET standards. A random sample of homes will be chosen for mandatory QAQC testing and inspections. Builders and HERS Raters may be asked to supply additional information and supporting documents to facilitate the QAQC process.