

Frequently Asked Questions:

Commercial and Institutional Power Producer Program

1. What is QEC's Commercial and Institutional Power Producer (CIPP) program?

QEC's Commercial and Institutional Power Producer (CIPP) program is designed to allow existing commercial and institutional customers (government departments, hamlets, businesses) to generate electricity using renewable energy systems and sell it to QEC. For example, local arenas or Co-op stores could install solar panels and generate clean power for their community.

2. Who is eligible for the CIPP program?

Existing commercial and institutional customers (government departments, hamlets, businesses) are eligible for QEC's CIPP program. Applications will be processed on a first come, first served basis.

3. Where can renewable power generation equipment be installed?

Under the CIPP program, eligible applicants may install renewable generation equipment on their existing business premise. The applicant must have an existing commercial or institutional account with QEC.

4. How much renewable energy generation capacity can I install?

There is a technical limit to the amount of power QEC can accept without impacting the safety and reliability of the corporation's systems. The size and location of the applicant's existing business premises will limit installation size of the system. Please contact QEC's Customer Care division at customercare@qec.nu.ca or 1-866-710-4200 with generation capacity questions for specific application requests. Technical questions will be forwarded to the appropriate internal department.

5. What are the benefits of the CIPP program?

By including renewable power in the energy supply mix, QEC will be able to foster the development of clean energy in Nunavut. Integrating renewable energy systems into the territory's energy grid will help decrease Nunavut's dependency on diesel fuel, enable QEC to reduce carbon emissions and promote energy self-reliance. The CIPP program also allows participants to earn money while supporting Canada's greenhouse gas reduction goals and Nunavut's aspirations of energy independence.

6. How much will QEC pay for power from CIPP program participants?

QEC will pay CIPP participants for their generated power at a rate equal to the corporation's diesel savings. Currently, the avoided cost of diesel is 24.76 cents per kilowatt-hour and is based



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on a trailing three-year average of fuel cost. This rate will be reviewed and adjusted (if applicable) annually.

7. How will CIPP participants be paid for the power they generate?

QEC will use Measurement Canada approved Revenue Quality Meters to measure how much power CIPP participants generate and sell to the corporation. This will be measured and paid on a monthly basis.

8. How do I apply for the CIPP program?

To apply for the CIPP program, please visit www.qec.nu.ca to download the application form and guidelines. Those interested in the CIPP program must consult with QEC before purchasing renewable energy generation systems.

9. Are there programs for customers who are not eligible for the CIPP program?

QEC's Net Metering Program allows residential customers and one municipal account per community to generate their own electricity from renewable energy sources and integrate it into the corporation's grids. For more information about the Net Metering program please visit: www.qec.nu.ca.

QEC is also developing a larger Independent Power Producer program that is designed for community scale power projects and is being tailored for local ownership, Inuit participation and economic development.

10. Is QEC offering any subsidies for those participating in the CIPP program?

QEC does not have a subsidy program for the CIPP program. Any subsidy provided by QEC would contribute to increasing customer rates for Nunavummiut. Those interested in the CIPP program are encouraged to research external funding initiatives.

11. Can QEC recommend any renewable generation equipment suppliers?

QEC cannot endorse renewable generation system suppliers. It is up to customers to research their options for renewable generation installation to ensure that their system equipment meets all applicable codes and standards.

12. Where can I find more information?

For general program information, please contact our Customer Care department at 1-866-710-4200 or customercare@qec.nu.ca. More information can also be found online at www.qec.nu.ca.