

STATE OF ILLINOIS

EV Purchase Rebate

Short Description: Rebates of zero to \$4,000 toward the incremental cost of purchasing an EV to be claimed by purchaser.

Beneficiary: Taxpayer investing in an alternative fuel vehicle in the state of Illinois

Type of Incentive: Cash rebates of up to \$4,000.

Effective Dates: Current benefit

Value of Benefit: Rebate of 80% of the incremental cost of purchasing an AFV up to \$4,000 for an Illinois resident, business or governmental unit located in Illinois. Applicants must fill out the eligible Form.

Full Description:

The Illinois Alternate Fuels Rebate Program provides a rebate for 80% of the incremental cost of purchasing an AFV up to a maximum of \$4,000, or 80% of the cost of federally certified AFV conversions up to a maximum of \$4,000. A vehicle is only eligible to receive one rebate in its lifetime. The AFV or conversion system must be purchased from an Illinois-based company or vendor, except if the vehicle is a heavy-duty specialty vehicle that is not sold in Illinois (415 ILCS 120/30).

The Program is open to all Illinois residents, businesses, government units and organizations located in Illinois, except for federal government. A rebate shall not exceed \$4,000 per vehicle. Over the life of this rebate program, an owner of an alternate fuel vehicle may not receive rebates for more than 150 vehicles per location or for 300 vehicles in total (415 ILCS 120/30).

State Statutory References:

- Illinois Compiled Statutes 415 120/30
 - <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=1608&ChapAct=415%26nbsp%3BILCS%26nbsp%3B120%2F&ChapterID=36&ChapterName=ENVIRONMENTAL+SAFETY&ActName=Alternate+Fuels+Act%2E>

Other Link(s):

- <http://www.illinoisgreenfleets.org/fuels/index.html> (Illinois Alternative Fuels Rebate Program Website)
- <http://www.afdc.energy.gov/afdc/laws/law/IL/4368> (AFDC Website)

(415 ILCS 120/30)

Sec. 30. Rebate program. Beginning January 1, 1997, and as long as funds are available, each owner of an alternate fuel vehicle shall be eligible to apply for a rebate. Beginning July 1, 2005, each owner of a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel is eligible to apply for a fuel cost differential rebate under subsection (c) of this Section. The Agency shall cause rebates to be issued under the provisions of this Act. An owner may apply for only one of 3 types of rebates with regard to an individual alternate fuel vehicle: (i) a conversion cost rebate, (ii) an OEM differential cost rebate, or (iii) a fuel cost differential rebate. Only one rebate may be issued with regard to a particular alternate fuel vehicle during the life of that vehicle. A rebate shall not exceed \$4,000 per vehicle. Over the life of this rebate program, an owner of an alternate fuel vehicle or a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel may not receive rebates for more than 150 vehicles per location or for 300 vehicles in total.

(a) A conversion cost rebate may be issued to an owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost of converting of a conventional vehicle to an alternate fuel vehicle. Conversion of a conventional vehicle to alternate fuel capability must take place in Illinois for the owner to be eligible for the conversion cost rebate. Amounts spent by applicants within a calendar year may be claimed on a rebate application submitted within 12 months after the month in which the conversion of the vehicle took place. Approved conversion cost rebates applied for during or after calendar year 1997 shall be 80% of all approved conversion costs claimed and documented. Approval of conversion cost rebates may continue after calendar year 2002, if funds are still available. An applicant may include on an application submitted in 1997 all amounts spent within that calendar year on the conversion, even if the expenditure occurred before promulgation of the Agency rules.

(b) An OEM differential cost rebate may be issued to an owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost differential between a conventional vehicle or engine and the same vehicle or engine, produced by an original equipment manufacturer, that has the capability to use alternate fuels.

A new OEM vehicle or engine must be purchased in Illinois and must either be an alternate fuel vehicle or used in an alternate fuel vehicle, respectively, for the owner to be eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate. Large vehicles, over 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight, purchased outside Illinois are eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate if the same or a comparable vehicle is not available for purchase in Illinois. Amounts spent by applicants within a calendar year may be claimed on a rebate application submitted within 12 months after the month in which the new OEM vehicle or engine was purchased.

Approved OEM differential cost rebates applied for during or after calendar year 1997 shall be 80% of all approved cost differential claimed and documented. Approval of OEM differential cost rebates may continue after calendar year 2002, if funds are still available. An applicant may include on an application submitted in 1997 all amounts spent within that calendar year on OEM equipment, even if the expenditure occurred before promulgation of the Agency rules.

(c) A fuel cost differential rebate may be issued to an

owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost differential between conventional fuels and domestic renewable fuels or alternate fuels purchased to operate an alternate fuel vehicle. The fuel cost differential shall be based on a 3-year life cycle cost analysis developed by the Agency by rulemaking. The rebate shall apply to and be payable during a consecutive 3-year period commencing on the date the application is approved by the Agency. Approved fuel cost differential rebates may be applied for during or after calendar year 1997 and approved rebates shall be 80% of the cost differential for a consecutive 3-year period. Approval of fuel cost differential rebates may continue after calendar year 2002 if funds are still available.

Twenty-five percent of the amount that is appropriated under Section 40 to be used to fund programs authorized by this Section during calendar year 2001 shall be designated to fund fuel cost differential rebates. If the total dollar amount of approved fuel cost differential rebate applications as of July 1, 2001 is less than the amount designated for that calendar year, the balance of designated funds shall be immediately available to fund any rebate authorized by this Section and approved in the calendar year.

An approved fuel cost differential rebate shall be paid to an owner in 3 annual installments on or about the anniversary date of the approval of the application. Owners receiving a fuel cost differential rebate shall be required to demonstrate, through recordkeeping, the use of domestic renewable fuels during the 3-year period commencing on the date the application is approved by the Agency. If the vehicle ceases to be registered to the original applicant owner, a prorated installment shall be paid to that owner or the owner's designee and the remainder of the rebate shall be canceled.

(d) Vehicles owned by the federal government or vehicles registered in a state outside Illinois are not eligible for rebates.

(Source: P.A. 96-537, eff. 8-14-09.)

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

VEHICLE REBATE Application Form

This form is only to be used for Alternate Fuel Vehicle Rebate Applications
See "(2) VEHICLE REBATE" Section in Application Instructions

Applicant Information

Name _____ Daytime Phone # _____
(Last) (First) (Area Code)

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Your Email address _____

For Individual Applicants Only

Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____

For Businesses/Governments/Organizations

Company Name _____ # Vehicles in fleet _____
Federal Employer Ident. Number (FEIN) _____ # Employees _____

Type of Alternate Fuel Vehicle

_____ E85 Flexible Fuel Vehicle _____ E85 Hybrid _____ Natural Gas _____ Propane
_____ Hydrogen _____ Electricity (Not including gasoline/electric hybrids)

Vehicle is primarily fueled at a: _____ public/retail fueling station _____ private/fleet fueling station

Vehicle Information

Make _____ Model _____ Model Year _____
Purchase Date _____ VIN # _____
License Plate # _____ State _____

I certify that the information on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Mail this rebate application and other documentation to the address below. The application instructions and submittal deadline can be found at www.illinoisgreenfleets.org. If you have any questions that are not addressed in the application instructions or need clarification, please call the Illinois EPA at (800) 635-2380.

**Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
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