



# News Release

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## **CWLP RETRO-COMMISSIONING REBATE PROGRAM NOW AVAILABLE**

Rebates available for large commercial buildings with poor energy performance

City Water, Light & Power now offers rebates to commercial customers who retro-commission large commercial buildings with poor energy performance. Retro-commissioning is the systematic evaluation of building systems by a qualified engineering firm and the implementation of identified cost-effective energy efficiency measures.

To qualify for the rebate program, a building must be at least 10 years old; have 50,000 square feet of conditioned space; have direct digital controls on the heating and cooling system; and score below the mid-point on the Energy Star® Portfolio Manager Performance Rating. Additionally, the customer must agree to spend a minimum of \$10,000 making electrical energy efficiency improvements recommended in the evaluation report.

“These rebates are a great opportunity for CWLP commercial customers to save money in a time of economic distress,” says Mayor Tim Davlin. “With commercial customers making up 11% of CWLP’s customer base, but comprising almost 60% of CWLP’s retail sales, this is a customer segment that must be well served for the city to see significant energy efficiency improvement.”

CWLP General Manager Todd Renfrow states, “Retro-commissioning helps building owners understand how to operate their existing buildings and related systems more efficiently. Buildings that have been retro-commissioned typically experience an operating cost-reduction of more than 10% per year.

“Engineering firms that conduct retro-commissioning evaluations do more than just advise building owners and operators what kind of equipment to

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purchase in the future,” Renfrow adds. “They also make adjustments to existing building systems as inefficiencies are uncovered and train operations staff how to maintain efficient operating conditions and system settings.”

The Retro-Commissioning Rebate program is available to CWLP electrically metered, non-governmental commercial customers. The total rebate cannot exceed \$25,000 per facility per year. Funding for this program is provided in part by funds received from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) awarded by the U.S. Department of Energy.

For more information about CWLP commercial energy efficiency rebates call Scott Hanauer at CWLP’s Energy Services Office at 789-2070 or click the Energy Services button on the CWLP website [www.cwlp.com](http://www.cwlp.com) .

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