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## Good Energy Rebate Program will Continue to Help Reduce Energy Costs

WHITEHORSE - Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources Brad Cathers today announced the renewal of the Good Energy Rebate Program for the 2009/10 fiscal year, pending legislative approval.

"The success of the Good Energy Program is encouraging and is an important element in the Yukon government's effort to help Yukoners lower their energy costs," Cathers said. "This program supports our Energy Strategy by helping Yukoners choose efficient products that can reduce their energy costs and consumption."

The program, launched in August 2008 through the Energy Solutions Centre, provides cash rebates ranging from \$100 to \$500 on high-efficiency kitchen and laundry appliances, solar domestic hot water systems, pellet and wood stoves, oil and propane furnaces and boilers, and outboard boat motors.

To date, 653 applications for rebates have been accepted including 522 for Energy Star® rated household appliances, 211 energy efficient heating appliances and 25 low emission boat

The products must meet specific energy efficiency requirements to be eligible for the rebate. A number of industry standards for efficiency and emissions are used, including Energy Star® and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) certification.

Changes in the program for the upcoming year include an increase in the energy efficiency requirements for oil heating appliances from 83 per cent to 85 per cent, a new rebate of \$100 for drain water heat recovery systems and a new rebate of \$300 for EPA - White Tag rated wood boiler systems. These changes will apply to Good Energy product purchases after March 31.

Eligible Good Energy products are available at many Yukon retailers. Rebate forms and program information are available at Yukon

retailers or at the Energy Solutions Centre. The Energy Solutions Centre can be contacted by calling 393-7063 or toll-free at 1-800-662-0408 ext. 7063, or by visiting www.esc.gov.yk.ca.

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See backgrounder below.

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**Backgrounder:** Good Energy eligible products, rebate amounts and eligibility criteria

	Product	Rebate available	Eligibility criteria
Home Appliances	Refrigerators	\$200 in non- hydro communities* \$100 in hydro communities	Energy Star® Energy Star®
	Freezers	\$200 in non- hydro communities* \$100 in hydro communities	Energy Star® Energy Star®
	Clothes Washers	\$200 in non- hydro communities* \$100 in hydro communities	Energy Star® Energy Star®
	Dish Washers	\$200 in non- hydro communities* \$100 in hydro communities	Energy Star® Energy Star®
Heating Appliances	Woodstove, wood furnaces/boilers and oil monitors	\$300	Woodstove/furnaces: EPA 40 CFR Part 60 or CSA - B415.1- M92 approved; Wood boilers: EPA White Tag certified
	Wood pellet stoves, pellet furnaces/boilers	\$300	ULC certified
	Heat recovery ventilator	\$300	Certified by the Home Ventilating Institute
	Oil furnaces and boilers	\$500 - oil furnace/boiler 90% efficiency \$300 - oil furnace/boiler 85% efficiency	Energy Star® 90% AFUE or better  Energy Star® 85% AFUE or better
	Oil furnaces for mobile homes	\$250 - 80% AFUE or better	80.0% AFUE or better
	Propane furnaces	\$500 - Propane	Energy Star® 92% AFUE or

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	and boilers	furnace/boiler 92% efficiency \$300 - Propane furnace/boiler 90% efficiency	better  Energy Star® 90% AFUE or better	
Water Heating	Solar hot water heating systems	\$500 - solar domestic hot water system	Tied to federal Eco-Energy for Homes Program	
	Drain Water Heat Recovery System (DWHRS)	\$100 - DWHRS	Tied to federal Eco-Energy for Homes Program (eligibility list established)	
Transportation	Outboard motors	\$250 - less than 30 hp \$500 - 30 hp or greater	California Air Resources Board (CARB) 3 star rating	

<sup>\*</sup>Non-hydro communities: Beaver Creek, Burwash Landing, Destruction Bay, Old Crow, Upper Liard and Watson Lake.

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