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Xcel Energy Recognizes Efficiency Partners for Helping Customers Reap \$9 Million in Rebates in 2020

Efficiency Partners help customers save electricity and natural gas; earn rebates

MINNEAPOLIS (July 7, 2021) – Xcel Energy recently recognized 41 Minnesota businesses for their outstanding efforts to help customers save energy and reduce their environmental impact. The Efficiency Partner awards recognized the top contractors, equipment suppliers and engineers that contributed the greatest electricity and natural gas savings to Xcel Energy’s Minnesota conservation programs in 2020. These are the top 41 trade partners out of the 1,475 partners working with Xcel Energy.

The rebates submitted by these 41 companies saved customers more than 70 million kilowatt-hours of electricity and 68,000 dekatherms of natural gas. According to the [Environmental Protection Agency’s Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator](#), that’s the equivalent of powering roughly 9,650 homes for a year.

Xcel Energy offers incentives, such as rebates and funding for energy efficiency studies and upgrades, to its business and residential customers to encourage them to make energy-efficient choices. Through the help of this group of partners, Xcel Energy distributed nearly \$9 million in energy efficiency rebates for the various projects completed.

The rebates dollars also helped create jobs and fund capital projects. Clean Energy Economy Minnesota reports that out of the roughly 50,000 clean energy jobs in Minnesota, 75 percent of those are in the energy-efficiency field.

“Even during a pandemic these partners worked with companies to help them save energy and money,” said Greg Olson, Xcel Energy trade relations manager. “These projects also reduce environmental impacts and help us reach our aggressive energy conservation goals.”

The 41 companies recognized were:

Aquarius Home Services • Blue Ox Heating and Air • Boelter Premier • Bonfe Plumbing, Heating and Air Services • Brabazon Pump and Compressor • CentrePoint Energy – Home Service Plus • Climate Makers, Inc. • Collins Electrical Construction Co. • Corval Group Inc. • Cozy Insulation LLC • Edward H. Cook & Associates, P.A. • Golden Valley Heating and Air Conditioning • Gunner Insulation • Hero Plumbing, Heating and Cooling • Hoffman Cooling and Heating • Houle Insulation, Inc. • Inflow Co. •

Jayhawk Mechanical, Inc. • John Henry Foster • Metro Heating and Cooling • Midwest Mechanical Solutions • Mulcahy Company • NAC Mechanical & Electrical Services • Nasseff Mechanical Contractors • NHA Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. • Noble Conservation Solutions • OTF Resources • Premier Lighting, Inc. • Pronto Heating & Air Conditioning • SVL, Inc. • South-Town Refrigeration & Mechanical • SCR, Inc. • Standard Heating & Air Conditioning • SES • Sustainable Energy Savings, Inc. • Total Comfort • Trane • UHL Company, Inc. • Viking Electric • Voss Lighting • Xcel Energy HomeSmart

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