



# DRIVE

## DRIVING RHODE ISLAND to VEHICLE ELECTRIFICATION REBATE PROGRAM

### Program Terms and Conditions

*Effective Date: January 29, 2016*

Qualified Rhode Island residents interested in applying for the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources' (OER) DRIVE Rebate Program must comply with the following terms and conditions.

#### **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY**

Only Rhode Island residents with a qualified electric vehicle registered in Rhode Island are eligible for the program. Rebates are reserved and/or awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Rhode Island residents interested in purchasing or leasing a new electric vehicle are strongly encouraged to review all DRIVE Program Materials and the DRIVE Eligible Vehicle Model List, available at: [www.drive.ri.gov](http://www.drive.ri.gov).

Only electric vehicles listed on the on the [DRIVE Eligible Vehicle Model List](#) at the time of purchase or lease will be eligible for rebates under the DRIVE Rebate Program.

- 1) Purchase or lease a qualified new electric vehicle (see Applicant & Vehicle Requirements below).
- 2) To reserve your DRIVE rebate, **you must submit a complete DRIVE application form** either online <http://www.drive.ri.gov/apply/apply.php> or by printing and mailing a hard copy to the address listed online. OER will review all DRIVE application forms on a first-come, first-served basis.
  - a. If your DRIVE application is approved, OER will provide written confirmation by email or mail, **and reserve the appropriate funds for your rebate based upon the make, model, and battery capacity of the qualified electric vehicle.**
  - b. If your DRIVE application is deemed incomplete, OER will contact you by email, mail, or phone for additional information.
- 3) **Submit all supporting documentation within thirty (30) business days from the date OER sends notification of a completed application.** Supporting documentation must be provided by U.S. Mail to:

Attn: DRIVE Rebate Program  
R.I. Office of Energy Resources  
One Capitol Hill, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

All required documentation must be provided in one envelope. DO NOT submit original hard copy documents. OER will not be held liable for lost documents.

Applicants must submit photocopies of the following documents:

- a. A copy of a valid Rhode Island registration certificate for the electric vehicle;
  - b. A copy of the final sales or lease contract, including an itemization of credits, discounts, and incentives received, if applicable;
  - c. A copy of a Rhode Island driver's license or other valid Rhode Island residency form as approved by the OER; and
  - d. A completed and signed W-9 form, available at:  
[http://controller.admin.ri.gov/documents/Forms/Misc%20Forms/13\\_W-9%20Form%20Revised%20Aug%202015.doc.docx](http://controller.admin.ri.gov/documents/Forms/Misc%20Forms/13_W-9%20Form%20Revised%20Aug%202015.doc.docx)
- 4) OER will review all submitted materials for completeness and to ensure the applicant meets all eligibility requirements.
- a. **If approved, OER will award the appropriate rebate amount.** Qualified applicants will receive a single payment by check within four to six (4-6) weeks from the date of final approval. Processing times may vary.
  - b. If deemed incomplete or otherwise denied, OER will contact the applicant by email, mail, or phone.

**IMPORTANT:** If you do not submit all required support documentation within thirty (30) business days, as indicated in Step 3 above, the OER will release the “reserved” rebate funds back to the DRIVE Rebate Program and you will have to submit a new application.

### **APPLICANT & VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS**

To receive a rebate through DRIVE, the applicant must comply with the following requirements:

- Be a private individual and a Rhode Island resident. Proof of residency is required at the time of vehicle purchase. Businesses, fleets, and other entities are not eligible to apply.
- Be a purchaser or lessee of a new Battery Electric (BEV) or Plug-In Hybrid (PHEV) vehicle purchased or leased from a licensed Rhode Island franchised new automobile dealer, with the exception of vehicles manufactured by Tesla Motors.
- Vehicle must be listed on the OER's DRIVE Eligible Vehicle Model List located online at <http://www.drive.ri.gov/apply/eligible-vehicle-list.php>.
- Vehicle purchase or lease date must be on or after the start of the program on January 29, 2016.
- Not allow or make any modifications to the vehicle's emissions or control systems, software calibrations, hardware, or hybrid system.

- Commit that any emission reductions generated by the purchased vehicle will not be used as marketable emission reduction credits to offset any emission reduction obligation of any person, or to generate a compliance extension or extra credit for determining regulatory compliance.
- OER reserves the right to request voluntary participation from rebate recipients in ongoing research efforts that support the DRIVE and OER goals.

OER reserves the right to modify these terms and conditions and/or terminate the DRIVE Rebate Program at its sole discretion. The submittal of a rebate application form does not guarantee award.

By checking this box, I agree to the following:

- I understand that OER reserves all rights and remedies available under the law to enforce the terms of this agreement.
- I understand that any false statement made in the submitted information may be punishable as under Rhode Island Law, and in accordance with any applicable statute.