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**RE: Update on Free/Reduced-Cost Energy Audit Incentive Fund**

Dear Participating Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® Contractors and Stakeholders:

NYSERDA is pleased to announce that an additional \$4.8 million in Green Jobs – Green New York funds has been transferred to the NY Home Performance with ENERGY STAR residential energy audit program.

These funds will be supplemented by up to \$2.4 million in EEPS and RGGI funds through a Direct Installation component of the audit that will be launched in early 2014. With this new component reimbursement for the audit will be \$200 (or \$350 for a 2-4 unit building) with up to an additional \$100 to cover the cost associated with installing low-cost measures that achieve a minimum of 400 kWh of savings. (There will be a fuel savings alternative for homes without appropriate electrical savings opportunities.) This new approach will allow for the free/reduced cost audit program to continue in 2014 while helping the program achieve a major share of its electric savings goal. The program will work with participating contractors in the coming weeks to finalize these plans.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of Home Performance with ENERGY STAR. Best wishes to you and your families for the holidays and in the new year.

Sincerely,



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