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## **GVEC Renewable Rebate Program**

Energy cost continues to rise and environmental concerns are a part of our daily lives. GVEC recognizes this need and is introducing the GVEC Renewable Rebate Program. The GVEC Renewable Rebate Program is designed to encourage and promote the use of renewable resources such as solar and wind. Whether you own an existing home or are considering building a new home, renewable energy should be incorporated into your plans.

With several renewable rebate programs to choose from there are many opportunities to save. Choosing the right program that will benefit your situation the most can be challenging. Be sure to consult with a qualified contractor or a GVEC Member Services Advisor to determine which rebate program would have the most impact. Rebates are eligible only if completed by a listed GVEC contractor. For a complete list of contractors visit our web site at [www.gvec.org](http://www.gvec.org) and click on rebate programs.

### **Rebates are available for:**

- **Solar Photovoltaic Electric Systems**
- **Solar Water Heaters**
- **Solar Powered Attic Fans**
- **Solar Water Wells**
- **Wind Generators**

### **Eligibility**

See the qualifications and additional eligibility requirements for the specific rebates.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

All correspondence and applications for the program should be directed to:

GVEC: 1-800-223-GVEC (4832) or Fax #: (830) 857 – 1223

Mail to: GVEC Rebate Program

P.O. Box 118

Gonzales, TX 78629 (or local GVEC office)

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## Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Electric Systems:

Rebates For:  
**\$2.00 / WATT**

Example: 2,000 Watts/2 KW = \$4,000.00

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Maximum rebate is 4 kw or \$8,000.00**
- All work shall be performed in accordance with all applicable manufacturer's codes and standards.
- All PV systems shall carry a 1 year warranty from the Installer, and manufacturer's warranty of 20 years on solar panels and 5 years on the inverter.
- All equipment shall be new and listed by the California Energy Commission (CEC) to qualify for the rebate.
- Site location must have minimal shading by trees, structures, etc. GVEC reserves the right to deny rebate based on excessive shading of the solar system. If shading at site location is in question contact GVEC prior to installation of system.
- PV systems shall comply with GVEC's renewable interconnection agreement. Systems that exceed 20 KW do not qualify.
- Manufacture's installation procedures and codes shall be followed.

### ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Funding for the program is limited.
- GVEC reserves the right to make changes to the program without notice.
- **Rebates are eligible only if completed by a GVEC listed contractor.** Please check out our website at [www.gvec.org](http://www.gvec.org) for a complete list of rebates and contractors.
- In no way does GVEC assume responsibility for the work completed by a GVEC listed contractor.
- **Only GVEC members are eligible.**
- Shall be installed in the GVEC service territory.
- Applications shall be received 30 days after completion of project. Project must be completed after January 1, 2010 to be eligible for Rebates.
- Attach an application and dated invoice from the contractor (including above criteria).
- Submission of applications does not guarantee a rebate.
- Please allow 6 weeks after receipt of all documents to receive rebate.
- GVEC reserves the right to verify all projects in order to meet minimum program guidelines. The member may lose the rebate if GVEC cannot verify the information provided on the application form.
- **Should system be removed, the member will be billed a pro-rated amount of the original rebate based on 80% after one year, 60% after two years, 40% after three years and 20% after four years. After five years there will be no penalty.**

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## Solar Water Heaters

**Rebates Of:  
\$1,000.00/Water heater**

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- All solar water heaters shall be SRCC (Solar Rating Certification Corporation) certified.
- All equipment shall be new and installed by a qualified contractor.
- Solar water heaters shall preheat water for an electric water heater that is permanently installed and the main source of water heating.
- Solar water heater shall have a minimum 5 year warranty on all major components.
- Solar water heater shall also be installed with frost protection and scale elimination.
- Manufacture's installation procedures and codes shall be followed.

### ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

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- Attach an application and dated invoice from the contractor. (including above criteria)
- Submission of applications does not guarantee a rebate.
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## **Solar Powered Attic Fans:**

**Rebates Of:  
\$50.00/Fan**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Rebate is based on the number of fans installed with a maximum of 5 fans or \$250.00
- Rebate applicable to solar powered attic fans only.
- Adequate soffit (intake air) shall meet or exceed maximum CFM rating of solar powered attic fan.
- All material shall be new.
- Manufacture's installation procedures and codes shall be followed.

For natural ventilation, GVEC recommends that the attic have 1 sq. ft. of net free area of inlet ventilation and outlet ventilation for every 300 sq. ft. of attic area.
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### **ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Funding for the program is limited.
- GVEC reserves the right to make changes to the program without notice.
- **Rebates are eligible only if completed by a GVEC listed contractor.** Please check out our website at [www.gvec.org](http://www.gvec.org) for a complete list of rebates and contractors.
- In no way does GVEC assume responsibility for the work completed by a GVEC listed contractor.
- **Only GVEC members are eligible.**
- Shall be installed in the GVEC service territory.
- Applications shall be received 30 days after completion of project. Project must be completed after March 2, 2009 and before December 31, 2009 to be eligible for 2009 Rebates.
- Attach an application and dated invoice from the contractor. (including above criteria)
- Submission of applications does not guarantee a rebate.
- Please allow 6 weeks after receipt of all documents to receive rebate.
- GVEC reserves the right to verify all projects in order to meet minimum program guidelines. The member may lose the rebate if GVEC cannot verify the information provided on the application form.

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## **Solar Water Wells:**

**Rebates Of:  
\$750.00/Unit**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- PV panels shall have a minimum 20 year warranty.
- All material shall be new.
- Shall be installed by a licensed contractor.
- Manufacture's installation procedures and codes shall be followed.

### **ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

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- **Only GVEC members are eligible.**
- Shall be installed in the GVEC service territory.
- Applications shall be received 30 days after completion of project. Project must be completed after January 1, 2010 to be eligible for Rebates.
- Attach an application and dated invoice from the contractor. (including above criteria)
- Submission of applications does not guarantee a rebate.
- Please allow 6 weeks after receipt of all documents to receive rebate.
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## Wind Generators:

**Rebates Of:  
\$1.50/Watt**

Example: 2,000 Watts/2 kw unit = \$3,000.00 Rebate

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Maximum rebate not to exceed \$6,000.00**
- Wind generator shall have UL certificate of compliance.
- Wind generator shall have a minimum 5 year manufacturer's warranty.
- Installation of wind generator shall comply with the GVEC renewable interconnection agreement. Systems that exceed 20 KW do not qualify.
- Manufacture's installation procedures and codes shall be followed.

### ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Funding for the program is limited.
- GVEC reserves the right to make changes to the program without notice.
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- Attach an application and dated invoice from the contractor. (including above criteria)
- Submission of applications does not guarantee a rebate.
- Please allow 6 weeks after receipt of all documents to receive rebate.
- GVEC reserves the right to verify all projects in order to meet minimum program guidelines. The member may lose the rebate if GVEC cannot verify the information provided on the application form.
- **Should system be removed, the member will be billed a pro-rated amount of the original rebate based on 80% after one year, 60% after two years, 40% after three years and 20% after four years. After five years there will be no penalty.**

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# Renewable Rebate Application



Rebates are available to GVEC Members and applies to qualifying renewable energy projects completed within the GVEC service territory. Starting in January 1, 2010 – (or while funds last). **Submission of application does not guarantee a rebate. A listed GVEC contractor shall be used. Please allow 6 weeks after receipt of all documents to receive rebate.**

Please direct any questions to 1-800-223-GVEC or visit GVEC website at [www.gvec.org](http://www.gvec.org) for complete details.

- Application must be completed and submitted within 30 days of installation.
- Project must be completed after January 1, 2010.
- Applications are subject to verification. If the verification cannot be completed, the rebate will not be paid.
- The rebate recipient must be a GVEC member.
- Program may be discontinued by GVEC at any time.
- Rebates are based on criteria listed below.
  - Solar Photovoltaic Electric Systems - \$2.00/Watt
  - Solar Water Heater - \$1,000.00/Unit
  - Solar Attic Fan - \$50.00/Fan
  - Solar Water Wells - \$750.00/Unit
  - Wind Generators - \$1.50/Watt

MEMBERS, please complete the application and include both A, B, and C below.

**-----Documents Needed for Processing-----**

A. **Signed application.**  
 B. **Work Sheet** with appropriate information – include model and manufacturer, etc.  
 C. **Invoice** showing work completed.

**Fax to: (830) 857-1223 ; or mail to:**  
**GVEC Rebate Program**  
**P.O. Box 118**  
**Gonzales, TX 78269**

### TO BE COMPLETED BY MEMBER

Member Name		GVEC Account Number	
Address of Installation	City	State TEXAS	Zip
Mailing Address	City	State TEXAS	Zip
Phone Number (    )	How did you hear about this program?		
Type of Rebates (Check all that apply.)			
Solar Photovoltaic Electric Systems <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Water Heater <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Attic Fan <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Water Well <input type="checkbox"/> Wind Generator <input type="checkbox"/>			

### TO BE COMPLETED BY CONTRACTOR

Contractor Name		GVEC Contractor #	
Mailing Address		City, State, Zip Code	
Phone Number (    )	Fax Number (    )		
Contact Name	Install Date		

**Under penalty of perjury, I certify that the above information is true and correct and I understand that the information is subject to inspection and verification by Guadalupe Valley Electric Coop.**

Customer Signature:		Date:
Contractor Signature:		Date:
<b>GVEC Use Only</b> Reviewed By:	<b>GVEC Use Only</b> Rebate approved by:	<b>GVEC Use Only</b> Rebate Paid:

**Keep a copy for your records.**

# Renewable Rebate Worksheet



**This worksheet is to be filled out by Contractor and attached to the Application with the Invoice.**

Member Name			
Address of Installation	City, State	Zip	Phone Number (     )
Type of Rebates (Check all that apply.)			
Solar Photovoltaic Electric Systems <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Water Heater <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Attic Fan <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Water Well <input type="checkbox"/> Wind Generator <input type="checkbox"/>			
Check to be mailed to Member or Contractor (Check one)			
Member <input type="checkbox"/>		Contractor <input type="checkbox"/>	

<u>Solar Photovoltaic Electric System</u> Manufacturer and Model	California Energy Commission (CEC) Listing	PV Panel Warranty	Inverter Warranty
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<u>Solar Water Heaters</u> Manufacturer and Model	Solar Rating Certification Corporation #	Water Heater Warranty (Yrs)	Frost Protection	Scale Elimination
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<u>Solar Attic Fans</u> Manufacturer and Model	# of Fans	Total Sq. Ft. of Attic
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<u>Solar Water Wells</u> Manufacturer and Model	PV Panel Warranty
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<u>Wind Generator</u> Manufacturer and Model	Warranty Info	UL Certificate of compliance
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Customer Signature:	Date:	
Contractor Signature:	Date:	
<b>GVEC Use Only</b> Reviewed By:	<b>GVEC Use Only</b> Rebate awarded by:	<b>GVEC Use Only</b> Rebate Paid:

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**Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.**  
**Renewable Energy Application and Contract**

**Qualifying Renewable Generating Installation Application**  
**Output<20Kw**

**MEMBER/APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Owner/Operator Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

GVEC Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RENEWABLE ENERGY DEALER/CONTRACTOR**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR (as applicable)**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF GENERATING FACILITY**

Photovoltaic \_\_\_\_\_ Wind \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Complete all applicable items. Copy this page as required for additional generators)

**GENERATOR DATA**

Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of units listed with specifications on site: \_\_\_\_\_

Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Type (synchronous, induction, or inverter): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Manufacture: \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number (each): \_\_\_\_\_

Rated Output (for one unit): \_\_\_\_\_ Kilowatt

Total Output (all units): \_\_\_\_\_ Kilowatt

1. **Scope of Contract** – This Contract is applicable to conditions under which Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative, herein referred to as GVEC, and the Member agree that a single renewable generating installation that is a qualifying facility not to exceed an output of 20kw, herein referred to as Installation and may be interconnected to GVEC’s electric power distribution system.
  
2. **Establishment of Point of Interconnection** – The point where the electric energy leaves the wires or facilities provided by the Member and enters the wires or facilities owned by GVEC is the “Point of Interconnection”. (The point of interconnection will be made at GVEC’s dual register meter.) GVEC and the Member agree to interconnect the Installation at the Point of Interconnection in accordance with GVEC’s rules, regulations, by-laws, and tariffs (“Rules”).
  
3. **Responsibilities of GVEC and the Member** – The Member , at its own cost and expense, will install, operate, maintain, repair, inspect, and shall be fully responsible for the Installation. The Member agrees to cause the Installation to be constructed and operated in accordance with the Rules and specifications provided by the National Electrical Safety Code and the National Electrical Code. The Member will notify GVEC of any emergency or hazardous conditions or occurrences with the Member’s Installation, which could affect safe operation of the GVEC Distribution System.

GVEC may notify the Member if there is evidence that the Installation’s operation causes disruption or deterioration of service to other customers served by GVEC or if the Installation’s operation causes damage to GVEC facilities.

#### 4. **Limitation of Liability and Indemnification**

- a. The Member shall assume all liability for and shall indemnify GVEC and its members, trustees, directors, officers, managers, employees, agents, representatives, affiliates, and successors and assigns for and shall hold them harmless from and against any claims, losses, costs, and expenses of any kind or character to the extent that they result from the Member's negligence, wrongful conduct, or equipment failure in connection with the design, construction, installation, operation, or maintenance of the Installation. Such indemnity shall include, but is not limited to, financial responsibility for (a) monetary losses; (b) reasonable costs and expenses of defending an action or claim; (c) damages related to death or injury; (d) damages of property; and (e) damages for the disruption of business.
  - b. GVEC and the Member shall each be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair, and condition of their respective lines, wires, switches, or other equipment or property on their respective sides of the Point of Interconnection. GVEC does not assume any duty of inspecting the Member's lines, wires, switches, or other equipment or property and will not be responsible therefore.
  - c. The Member shall provide written notice to GVEC when the Installation is ready to be energized and GVEC personnel shall inspect and, if deemed in compliance with all GVEC rules, shall energize the Installation.
  - d. The Member's Installation shall be equipped with protective features designed to prohibit connection to a de-energized electrical circuit owned and operated by GVEC.
  - e. A manual lockable disconnect must be installed between the Member's Installation and the GVEC Distribution System.
5. **Right of Access** – GVEC may send an employee, agent, or contractor to the premises of the Member at any time whether before, during, or after the time the Installation first produces energy to inspect the Installation and observe the Installation's setup, commissioning (including any testing), startup, operation, and maintenance.

At any time, GVEC shall have access to the Member's premises for any reasonable purpose regarding the interconnection described in this Contract, the Rules, or to provide service to its members.

6. **Disconnection of Installation** – The Member retains the option to disconnect its Installation from GVEC, provided that the Member notifies GVEC of its intent to disconnect by giving GVEC at least thirty (30) days prior written notice.

GVEC shall have the right to disconnect or cause the Member to disconnect the Installation and suspend use of the Installation in cases where continued use of the Installation will

endanger persons, property, or affect the integrity of the GVEC Distribution System. It shall have sole discretion in determining whether the Installation or use of the Installation will endanger persons, property or affect the integrity of the GVEC Distribution System. During a planned outage of GVEC serving the Member, GVEC shall have the right to suspend use of the Installation and disconnect or cause the Member to disconnect the Installation to affect repairs on the GVEC Distribution System, but GVEC shall make reasonable effort to provide the Member with prior notice.

7. **Net Billing – The Billing for a Member under this contract shall reflect the difference between the amount billed under the rate schedule in the Tariffs applicable to the Member and the rate paid by GVEC to the Member for energy produced by the Installation.**
  
8. **Purchase of Energy by GVEC from the Installation –** Excess energy produced by the Installation may be purchased by GVEC at the current GVEC renewable energy rate.
  
9. **Current Rate –** At the time of the execution of this contract the current rate GVEC is currently paying for excess energy produced by an Installation is \_\_\_\_\_. Said rate is subject to change in accordance with item 8 above.
  
10. **Effective Term and Termination Rights –** This Contract becomes effective when executed by both parties and shall continue in effect until terminated. This Contract may be terminated as follows: (a) The Member may terminate this Contract at any time by giving GVEC at least sixty (60) days prior written notice; (b) GVEC may terminate upon failure by the Member to generate energy from the Installation within six (6) months after completion of the interconnection; (c) GVEC may terminate by giving the Member at least sixty (60) days prior notice in the event that there is a material change in an applicable law or any requirement of GVEC’s wholesale electric suppliers or of any transmission utility, independent system operator, or regional transmission organization having responsibility for the operation of any part of GVEC.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the Parties have caused this Contract to be signed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

**Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative**

**Member Name**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

March 1, 2008