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GENERAL INFORMATION

13. Incubator Development Incentive (IDI):

Business incubators contribute to economic development by facilitating the development, growth and success of fledgling business enterprises, often associated with new technology initiatives, by providing appropriate start-up facilities, with support resources and services, including assistance in developing a viable business plan, with quantifiable objectives for successful graduation from the incubator.

Upon application, verification of eligibility, and 30 days' notice to the Corporation, a multi-tenant business incubator facility that is eligible for service under Service Classification Nos. 2, 3, or 7 may qualify for the Incubator Development Incentive in the form of a reduction, as stated in the applicable Special Provision of each service classification, to the energy rate (per kWh charge) in the respective service classification.

To be eligible, the customer must meet the following requirements:

- the applicant must be a multi-tenant business incubator facility, owned and operated by a not-for-profit corporation or a public benefit corporation, as defined in Section 201 of New York State Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, but not limited to customers previously qualified for the Industrial Incubator Incentive due to having received authorized financing under Section 26 of Chapter 839 of the Laws of the State of New York, 1987 and the Urban Development Corporation Act 174/68, as amended, within the Corporation's service territory. Additionally, incubator facilities which are owned, wholly or in part, by a university for the purposes of developing or demonstrating the business viability of new technological developments may be eligible for service under this Incubator Development Incentive.
- ! at least 50% of the leased floor space in the facility must be to tenants actively engaged in: 1. developing or demonstrating the business viablity of new technological processes; and/or 2. manufacturing activity and/or 3. developing a manufacturing process as classified in Division D, encompassing Major Groups 20 through 39 or services as specified in Section I, Major Group 87, of the Standard Industrial Classification Manual (1987 edition or supplements thereto)
- ! the facility must have a graduation policy requiring tenants to relocate outside of the facility after a specified period of time, not to exceed five (5) years
- ! upon application, the customer must present to the Corporation appropriate documentation confirming their corporate status and demonstrating their intended operation as a business incubator facility.

For customers who qualify:

- ! All use for incubator participants and administration, including support service and anchor tenants will be qualified to receive the incentive.
- The incentive rate will apply to the customer's total monthly kilowatt-hour usage (excluding kWh associated with load supplied by the New York Power Authority).

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