

Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®

Sample Contract and Work Scope

After the Home Performance Contractor and the homeowner agree upon the work scope to be performed, the Contractor presents the homeowner with a written contract that clearly itemizes all work to be performed and the corresponding price for each measure. A sample contract template has been provided for **reference purposes only**. This template is not a Home Performance with ENERGY STAR form. Participating Contractors are free to use their own standard contract; however, any contract must be signed by both the Home Performance Contractor and the homeowner. The signed contract must be submitted to the Program.

It is important to emphasize to any prospective customer that Home Performance Contractors participating in the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's (NYSERDA) Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program are **independent** home improvement contractors. Participating Contractors are required to be accredited by the Building Performance Institute (BPI), a national resource for building science technology that sets standards for assessing and improving the energy performance of homes.

NYSERDA, through its Quality Assurance Implementer inspects a sample of completed Home Performance with ENERGY STAR projects to ensure quality, consistency and compliance (including adherence to BPI health and safety standards). Contractors who participate in Home Performance with ENERGY STAR warrant their own work. BPI is available for customer dispute resolution assistance. Neither NYSERDA, the Program Implementation Contractor, nor the Quality Assurance Implementer warrants the products and/or services of the participating Home Performance Contractors.



NYSERDA

Sample Contract/Work scope
HOME IMPROVEMENT COMPANY
ADDRESS
CONTRACT

Homeowner's

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Job _____

Location _____

City, State, Zip _____

Code _____

Home Phone # _____ Business Phone # _____

Home Performance Contractor's Representative Name _____

Approximate Project Start Date _____

Approximate Project Completion Date _____

Does the project need to be completed by a certain date? Yes ___ No ___

DESCRIPTION OF LABOR/MATERIALS & PRICES (subtotals preferred)

Insulation (specify surface type, approximate sq ft, material, depth, and scope of work)

Insulate 800 sq ft of attic floor

\$COST

Blow cellulose, 12" loose fill on top of existing 3" fiberglass (R-50)

Baffle as needed to keep insulation out of soffit vents and deter windwash

Includes building foam board retaining wall around attic hatch

Includes weather stripping and attaching 2" foam board to attic hatch

Installation of 3 roof vents

Insulate 200 sq ft of floor behind the knee wall

\$COST

Drill holes into attic floor to access uninsulated floor cavities

Blow 6" dense packed cellulose (R-19) into all accessible cavities of the attic floor

Use wooden plugs to patch drilled holes

Insulate 1000 sq ft of exterior sidewalls

\$COST

Install 3.5" dense packed cellulose (R-12)

Includes remove & reinstall siding, drilling, filling, and clean up

Crawlspace – spray approx 100 sq ft of crawlspace walls with 3" closed cell spray foam

\$COST

General attic air sealing

\$COST

Seal visible air leaks with spray foam or other appropriate material

Seal plumbing and electrical penetrations

Seal other significant leaks as determined by blower door testing

Windows (specify quantity, type, and where being installed)

\$COST

Install 2 double hung, triple pane, Low-E Argon windows in MBR

Install 1 ENERGY STAR rated double pane picture window in dining room

Install 4 hopper windows in basement

Install 1 double pane patio door in kitchen, U-.32

Doors (specify quantity, type, and where being installed)

\$COST

Remove existing front door and install 1 new ENERGY STAR rated entry door

Install 1 new storm door in front entry

\$COST

HVAC (include make, model, system specifications, and scope of work)

Install (Make) natural gas furnace (Model#) 90,000 Btus, 95% AFUE, with ECM motor

\$COST

Furnish and install new supply and return air ductwork

\$COST

Provide and install 1 programmable thermostat

\$COST

Provide and install new chimney liner

\$COST

Install (Make) natural gas (Model#) 40 gallon hot water heater with energy factor of 0.67

\$COST

Install (Make) (Model#) 2.0 ton 14.5 SEER air conditioner

\$COST



Health & Safety (must specify each measure being performed by contractor)

Vent existing bath fan

\$COST

Provide and install new CO detector

\$COST

Lighting (specify type and quantity)

\$COST

Provide and install 8 20-watt CFLs

Appliances (include make and model number)

ENERGY STAR clothes washer (Make) (Model#)

\$COST

ENERGY STAR refrigerator (Make) (Model#)

\$COST

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS (Contractor to show amount of each payment and specifically identify the state of completion of the works or services to be performed including any materials to be supplied before each such progress payment is due.)

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Sub Total _____

Tax _____

Total Price _____

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

The homeowner may cancel this contract at any time prior to midnight of the third business day after the date of this transaction. See the attached notice of cancellation form for an explanation of this right.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

The condition specifications and prices stated on both sides herein are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. The Home Performance Contractor is authorized to do the work as specified. Payment will be made as outlined above. A copy of this agreement will be furnished to the homeowner upon signing.

Homeowner's SIGNATURE

Date

Contractor's SIGNATURE

Date

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ADDITIONAL TERMS, PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS

1. Any contractor, subcontractor, or materialman who provides home improvement goods or services pursuant to your home improvement and who is not paid may have a valid legal claim against your property, known as a *Mechanic's Lien*. Any Mechanic's Lien filed against your property may be discharged. Payment of the agreed upon price to the Home Performance Contractor prior to filing of a Mechanic's Lien may invalidate such lien. The homeowner may contact an attorney to determine his/her rights to discharge a Mechanic's Lien.
2. The homeowner may require the recipient or Home Performance Contractor to deposit the initial advance in an escrow account. In lieu of such deposit, the Home Performance Contractor may post a bond or contract of indemnity with the homeowner guaranteeing the return of such advance.
3. The Home Performance Contractor will clean up and remove from the homeowner's property all project-related debris and unwanted materials when the work is completed.
4. The Home Performance Contractor will carry Workman's Compensation and Contractor's Liability Insurance.
5. The Home Performance Contractor agrees to procure all required permits in accordance with all applicable local laws. The Home Performance Contractor is responsible for knowledge of and compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations.
6. Any additional home performance work not specified in the original contract must be agreed upon in advance, in writing, signed by both parties. The revised contract must be provided to the homeowner prior to commencing the additional agreed upon work. Prior to work commencing the revised work scope must be approved by the Program. The terms of the original contract shall be incorporated into any additional agreements.
7. In the event that any defects in workmanship or equipment is discovered within one (1) year after payment authorization, the Home Performance Contractor will remedy, repair, correct, or cause to be remedied, repaired, corrects, or replaced at the Home Performance Contractor's expense. The Home Performance Contractor shall disclose all terms, conditions and the period of time covered thereby of any guarantee or warranty it offers to the homeowner. The following guarantee/warranty is applicable:

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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

(Enter date of transaction)

The homeowner may cancel this transaction without any penalty or obligation, within three business days from the above date.

If the homeowner cancels, any property traded in, any payments made by the homeowner under the contract or sale, and any negotiable instrument executed by the homeowner will be returned within 10 business days following receipt by the Home Performance Contractor of the homeowner's cancellation notice, and any security interest arising out of the transaction will be cancelled.

If the homeowner cancels, they must make available to the Home Performance Contractors at the homeowner's residence, in substantially as good condition as when received, any goods delivered under this contract or sale; or the homeowner may, if they wish, comply with the instruction of the Home Performance Contractor regarding the return shipment of the goods at the Home Performance Contractor's expense and risk.

If the homeowner does make the goods available to the Home Performance Contractor and the Home Performance Contractor does not pick them up within 20 days of the date of the homeowner's notice of cancellation, the homeowner may retain or dispose of the goods without any further obligation. If the homeowner fails to make the goods available to the Home Performance Contractor, or if the homeowner agrees to return the goods to the Home Performance Contractor and fail to do so, then the homeowner remains liable for performance of all the obligations under the contract.



To cancel this transaction, mail or deliver a signed and dated copy of this cancellation notice, or any other written notice, or send a telegram to: (Name of Home Performance Contractor : _____)

At (address of Home Performance Contractor's place of business: _____)

Not later than midnight of _____.

I HEREBY CANCEL THIS TRANSACTION.

(Date)

(Homeowner's signature)