

# CLEER T12 PROGRAM

Get Cash Rebates for Replacing Outdated T12 Lighting

For a limited time—**March 12 through September 15, 2012**—the DC Sustainable Energy Utility (**DC SEU**) is offering rebates to small and medium-sized businesses in DC that upgrade their old, inefficient T12 fluorescent tube lighting with more efficient High-Performance T8 (HPT8) lighting.

## UPGRADE YOUR LIGHTING TODAY

As mandated by federal regulations, the manufacture of T12 fluorescent lamps will be banned as of July 14, 2012. Businesses that upgrade to HPT8 lighting by participating in the **Commercial Lighting Energy-Efficient Replacement (CLEER) T12 Program** can avoid dwindling supplies and increased prices for T12 lighting products and are eligible to receive a rebate from the DC SEU to make the switch. Take advantage of the CLEER T12 Program and your business will reap the rewards now and for years to come.

**Get a \$20 per fixture rebate for upgrading today!**

## BENEFITS OF HIGH-PERFORMANCE T8 LIGHTING

Making the switch from T12 to HPT8 lighting can provide a number of benefits to your business:

### Energy Savings

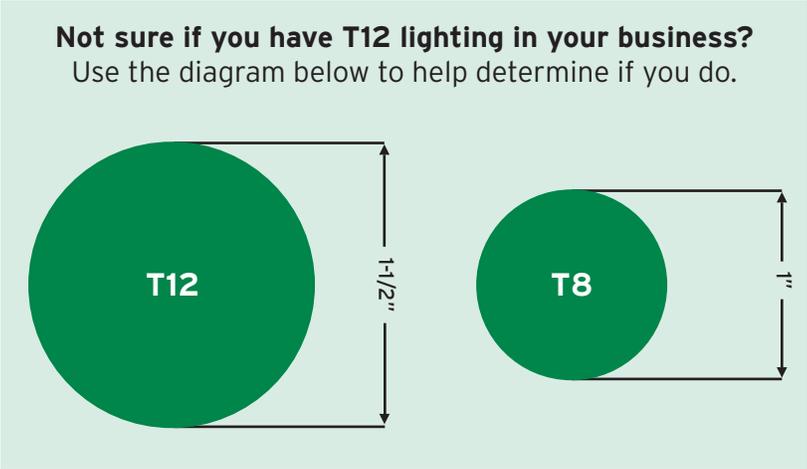
Saving energy means saving money. HPT8 systems can save up to 50% in energy and operating costs compared to T12 lamps and 20% compared to standard T8 lamps.

### Longer Lamp Life

HPT8 lamps are extended-life lamps, typically rated to last 4,000-10,000 hours longer than standard T8 or T12 lamps, meaning reduced maintenance costs and less time changing light bulbs.

### Improved Lighting Quality

HPT8 lamps provide a better environment for your customers and employees alike. Measured on the color rendering index (CRI), a scale from 0 to 100 that indicates the quality of the light source, HPT8 lamps are rated at a minimum of 82 CRI. Comparatively, most standard T8 lamps have a CRI rating in the 70-80 range and T12s typically in the 60-70 range.



ELIGIBLE LIGHTING UPGRADES	SPECIFICATIONS	REBATE AMOUNT
Removal of existing T12 lighting and replacement with HPT8 28W lamp with low ballast factor*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be an upgrade of an existing T12 system</li> <li>• Must use low ballast factor*</li> <li>• Lamp and ballast must be listed on the <b>DC SEU's</b> Qualifying Products List provided to Preferred Contractors available at <a href="http://www.DCSEU.com/CLEER">www.DCSEU.com/CLEER</a></li> </ul>	<b>\$20 per fixture</b>

*\*Use of low ballast factor ballasts and 28W lamps is required unless specific conditions warrant either the use of 32W lamps or an approved high ballast factor system. Please contact the DC SEU for specific details and information.*

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## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for rebates through the CLEER T12 Program, business customers must meet the following requirements:

- **Eligible commercial facilities include small offices, retail establishments, restaurants, churches, community centers, and lodging facilities**
- **Facilities must have between 20 and 200 T12 fixtures per utility account**
- **Eligible T12 fixtures must be operated a minimum of 2,000 hours annually (defined as 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year)**

**If you have a potential project at your business that you think may be eligible for the CLEER T12 Program, follow these simple steps to get started:**

### 1. Review the eligibility requirements for the CLEER T12 Program.

If you have questions about the program requirements, please visit [www.DCSEU.com/CLEER](http://www.DCSEU.com/CLEER) or contact the DC SEU at [info@DCSEU.com](mailto:info@DCSEU.com) or 202-479-2222.

### 2. Contact a DC SEU Preferred Contractor.

Contact Preferred Contractors about your interest in the CLEER T12 Program and request a quote for your project. You will work with your Preferred Contractor to determine if your business is eligible and that your lighting upgrades meet the requirements of the CLEER T12 Program. To view a list of Preferred Contractors please visit [www.DCSEU.com/CLEER](http://www.DCSEU.com/CLEER).

### 3. Project Pre-Approval Form submitted by contractor.

After you have worked with your Preferred Contractor to determine your eligibility and plan your project, your contractor will submit on your behalf a "Project Pre-Approval Form" to the DC SEU for review. Pending approval of project eligibility, the DC SEU will send you an incentive agreement **within five business days** outlining the rebate amount you will receive upon completion of the project along with a utility release form.

### 4. Submit your incentive agreement and utility release form.

Sign and return your incentive agreement and utility release form to the DC SEU **within 10 business days** of issue date. The incentive agreement is a document that acknowledges that the DC SEU has reserved a certain level of rebate monies for your project. By signing the document, you acknowledge that your project is going to proceed within the specified time allowed for this program and within the guidelines contained in the document. The DC SEU requires that you provide your Electric/Gas/Water utility account information for the purposes of measuring how successful the products installed at your location were in saving energy and resources for your business and the District of Columbia. Your utility account information will be kept confidential and secure and will only be used for the purpose of evaluating the various energy programs that the DC SEU offers the District.

### 5. Work with your contractor to implement your T12 replacement project.

Based on the quote provided by your contractor, work with them to complete your project. All materials from your project must be properly disposed of by your contractor; you will not be permitted to retain possession of your old T12 lighting. Payment to the contractor for completion of the project is the sole responsibility of the customer.

### 6. Project documentation submitted to the DC SEU by contractor.

Your contractor must submit proper documentation to the DC SEU verifying the project is completed and installed as specified in the incentive agreement via e-mail to [info@DCSEU.com](mailto:info@DCSEU.com) before September 15, 2012. **Your rebate check will be mailed to you from the DC SEU within 30 business days of receipt.**

**For more information on the CLEER T12 Program, including Preferred Contractors, CBE vendors, and eligible equipment, please visit [www.DCSEU.com/CLEER](http://www.DCSEU.com/CLEER) or contact the DC SEU at [info@DCSEU.com](mailto:info@DCSEU.com) or 202-479-2222.**



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