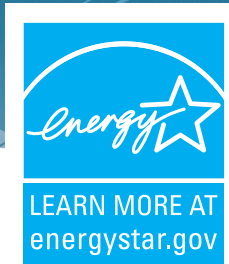




American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

# Arkansas ENERGY STAR® Appliance Rebate Program



## Introduction

### Guide for Appliance Retailers/Vendors

The State of Arkansas received funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to establish and administer the Arkansas ENERGY STAR® Appliance Rebate Program. The program is intended to stimulate the economy by encouraging consumers to replace older, less efficient appliances with new, more energy-efficient ENERGY STAR® qualified models.

As an appliance retailer or vendor in Arkansas, this program provides an opportunity to increase sales of ENERGY STAR® appliances and provide exceptional customer service. Arkansas residents must purchase a qualifying product from a participating retailer/vendor and use the retailer's haul-away service for the older, replaced appliance or show proof of recycling of the replaced appliance. Participating retailers/vendors sign a standard agreement with the Arkansas Energy Office (AEO), a division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, committing to:

- 1 Provide accurate program information to consumers,
- 2 Verify that the product being purchased is an eligible ENERGY STAR® qualified model,
- 3 Properly dispose of any appliances removed from customers' residences and provide haul-away documentation to customer. (Note: Appliances hauled away through the program cannot be sold or refurbished.)

## Q & A

### When does the program start? When will it end?

The program begins March 15, 2010 and ends when the program funds are depleted. The program is expected to last 2½ to 4 months. The Arkansas Energy Office will work to notify retailers/vendors at least 15 days prior to fund depletion. In addition, the AEO will maintain a fund-estimator on its website at [www.arkansasenergy.org](http://www.arkansasenergy.org) so that vendors and customers can track the availability of funds.

### What products qualify? (See product types below)

ENERGY STAR® rated refrigerators, clothes washers, and certain water heaters. Gas condensing, heat pump, gas tankless and gas storage water heaters meeting the 2010 ENERGY STAR® criteria (EF >= 0.67) qualify. Solar water heaters and gas storage heaters that meet the 2009 ENERGY STAR® criteria (EF >= 0.62) **DO NOT** qualify for the rebate. All ENERGY STAR® products feature the signature blue ENERGY STAR® logo on the front of the product and on the product packaging. Qualified models may be found at [www.arkansasenergy.org](http://www.arkansasenergy.org) or [www.energystar.com](http://www.energystar.com).

ENERGY STAR® Appliance	Arkansas Rebate Level	Average Annual Savings
Refrigerators	\$125	\$11-64
Clothes Washers	\$175	\$55-135
Water Heaters		
• Gas Storage (2010 energy criteria)	\$200	\$50
• Gas condensing	\$200	\$110
• Gas tankless	\$200	\$115
• Heat pump	\$200	\$290
Annual savings on utility bills vary based on a variety of factors including usage rates, energy costs and other factors.		



