Energy Conservation Assistance Program and Air Conditioner Offer Application



Please complete each of the following before submitting your application:					
Have the FortisBC (or municipal utility of Summerland, Penticton, Grand Forks or Nelson Hydro) electricity account holder and FortisBC gas account holder sign the bottom of this application. The signature of each account holder(s) is required for each utility.					
If you rent, attach the Landlord Consent Form.					
If your household meets income qualification thresholds, attach the most recent Notice of Assessment for each member of the household 18 years of age or older, or other approved proofs of income. Please black out all personal information on the Notice of Assessment except Line 15000 and your name. (Canada Revenue Agency sends a Notice of Assessment after you have filed your income taxes each year. Visit <u>cra-arc.gc.ca</u> for more information.)					
☐ If your household meets the income qualification thresholds, every member aged 18 and over must sign section 4.					
If anyone in your household is a client of the regional home health programs, attach their medical referral letter.					
1. Account holder information					
FortisBC or municipal utility of Sur	mmerland, Penticton, Grand Forks or Nelson H		Hydro electricity accou		
First name (on electricity bill)	Last name (on electricity bill)		Home phone number	Other phone number	
Electricity account number	Account address		City		
Province	Postal code	Email address			
FortisBC natural gas account					
First name (on gas bill)	Last name (on gas	s bill)	FortisBC natural gas	s account number	
2. Additional Information					
Is anyone in your household 65 years of age or older?					
If you don't qualify for ECAP and would like for us to use the information on this application to assess your eligibility for a free Energy Savings Kit, please check this box.					
Where did you hear about this program?					
Print ad	FortisBC website		mily [Non-profit organizations	
Community events	By mail	Radio	[Other/promo code:	
3. Property information					
How many people live in your household? Do you own or rent your home? (If you selected rent, please complete and attach the Landlord Consent Form and complete the landlord contact information below)					
Landlord or representative name Con	atact phone number				
What type of hot water heating do you have	/e?				
Gas Electric	Propane/diesel	Wood	Unknown	Other:	
How is your home heated?					
Gas Electric	Propane/diesel	Wood	Unknown	Other:	
What type of home do you live in?					
Detached house Duplex Condo/ Apartments (only eligible for A/C offer) Townhouse Manufactured home Other:					
4. Income qualification and authorization for disclosure and collection (If you are a client of the regional home health program with a medical referral, please skip this section.)					
I understand that FortisBC requires proof of income for every household member 18 years of age or older in order to qualify the household for the Energy Conservation Assistance Program. All household members over the age of 18 years must consent to FortisBC's collection of their income qualification information by each separately signing the declaration below:					
Declaration: I am 18 years of age or older, a member of the household that is the subject of this application, and by signing below, I consent to FortisBC collecting my income qualification information through the copy of the qualifying documentation that is attached with this application.					
First name	Last name	Signati	ure	Date (Yr/Mth/Day)	

Account holder MUST COMPLETE

By signing below, I certify that I understand and agree to all of the preceding declarations and all terms and conditions that follow on this application. I certify that all the information is true and complete in every respect and that any willful misstatements may cause the rejection of my application.

Electricity account holder signature

Date (Yr/Mth/Day)

FortisBC (gas) account holder signature

Date (Yr/Mth/Day)

To be eligible for this program, an applicant's combined household income must be less than the income limits under the terms and conditions. For those applicants that meet these criteria, FortisBC may also evaluate the applicant's annual electricity usage, and if applicable, natural gas usage. Meeting all these criteria, however, does not necessarily guarantee acceptance into the program.

Mail to: FortisBC Energy Conservation Assistance Program 300-750 Vaughan Avenue Kelowna, BC V1Y 7E4 or email to:ecap@fortisbc.com

For more information visit <u>fortisbc.com/ecap</u> or call **1-866-436-7847** if you need help completing this form.

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- The following terms and conditions (the "Terms and Conditions") govern applicants' participation in the Energy Conservation Assistance Program ("ECAP"), under which eligible applicants may receive certain energy efficient and other products, including a portable air conditioner unit (an "AC Unit").
- Applicants who do not satisfy the eligibility requirements for the ECAP Program set out in section 5 may still be eligible to receive an AC Unit (the "AC Unit Only Offer") if they satisfy the eligibility requirements the AC Unit Only Offer set out in 2(f)-(h).
- The Program is administered and/or funded, in whole or in part, by FortisBC Energy Inc. and FortisBC Inc. (collectively, "FortisBC"), with funding for portable air conditioner units from the British Columbia Ministry of Health (the "Ministry").
- Residential property refers to the home occupied by an income-qualified owner or tenant at the address listed on this application and meets the qualifications set out below.

5. Éligibility requirements:

- a. Must be of a legal age of at least 18 years old as of the time of submission of this application;
- b. Must be the current lawful occupant of the residential property and occupy the property as their primary residence;
- c. Be the active FortisBC Inc., municipal utility of Summerland, Penticton, Grand Forks, or Nelson Hydro residential account holder for the eligible residence,
- d. If a tenant, obtain consent from the owner in the form found at www.fortisbc.com/ecap (the "Landlord Consent") and submit the completed and signed Landlord Consent form and
- e. Either:
 - i. Have a household income that does not exceed the applicable amounts specified at <u>www.fortisbc.com/ecap</u> and submit one of the accepted proof of income documents specified therein for each member of the household 18 years of age or older.
 - A medical referral letter for clients of the regional home health programs Note: Applicants only seeking the AC Unit Offer are not required to be the FortisBC residential account holder for the eligible residence.

6. Eligible residences:

- a. Eligible residences for the ECAP program include single family detached homes, townhomes, rowhomes, duplexes, and manufactured/ mobile homes. Note: apartment and condominium units are not eligible residences for the purpose of the ECAP program but are eligible residences for the purposes of the AC Unit only offer.
- Must not have an existing, functioning air conditioner unit to qualify for an AC Unit.
- 7. The residential property must be a fully serviced existing building suitable for human habitation that is occupied on permanent year-round basis (attached garages, outbuildings, buildings under construction, and unoccupied buildings are not eligible), and deemed to be in suitable condition for the improvements available through the program.
- 8. FortisBC reserves the right to, at any time, verify the accuracy and completeness of any and all information provided by the applicant, and the applicant must cooperate with this verification process. The applicant must notify ECAP Operations if any information provided as part of this application changes at any time after the submission of the application.
- FortisBC may without penalty or obligation, at its sole discretion, at any time, modify any terms or conditions or any of its requirements for program eligibility, and modify or terminate the program.
- 10. FortisBC has the right to prioritize applications for program support within available funding based on any criteria deemed appropriate.
- 11. The availability, timing, and amount of program support are subject to available program funding.
- 12. FortisBC is not obligated to provide program support to any applicants including those who meet all program eligibility criteria. It is within FortisBC's sole discretion to accept or reject any applicant who meets all program eligibility criteria.
- 13. ECAP Program households (determined by service address) are not eligible to receive the program more than once every 10 years.
- AC Unit Only Offer Applicants must not have received an AC unit as part of the program.
- 15. FortisBC will decide in its sole discretion which improvements an approved applicant will receive.
- 16. Services for applicants in remote or hard-to-service locations and the timing thereof may vary.

Applicant declaration and consent

- I confirm that I am the owner of the above household or, if not, that I have the owner's permission to proceed with this application and the implementation of improvements to the household as contemplated by the program.
- If I am a tenant, I understand that any improvements completed under this
 program cannot form the basis for an increase in rent above the provincial
 guidelines as it is not an expenditure that my landlord will have incurred.
 If this application is approved. I grant participation for the program
- If this application is approved, I grant permission for the program contractors to:
 - Conduct a free evaluation of my home that includes suitability for an

AC unit and/or ENERGY STAR® certified refrigerator to be installed and for energy efficiency considerations.

- Install a free AC Unit. If it is determined, at the sole discretion of the contractor or the Utility Partners, that the residence does not meet the requirements or that the AC Unit would not materially improve the heat safety of the applicant, the applicant will not receive an AC Unit.
- Install free basic energy-efficient products including but not limited to: LED light bulbs, weatherstripping, water-efficient shower heads, faucet aerators, and pipe wrap.
- If during the free energy efficiency evaluation of my home, contractors determine that the property qualifies for further upgrades, I hereby grant permission to FortisBC and program contractors to conduct an advanced assessment on the property
- I acknowledge and agree that FortisBC is not the designer, manufacturer or installer of the products installed under this program and that FortisBC makes no representation or warranty of any kind concerning such products or their installation or any potential cost savings there from. I further irrevocably waive any and all actions, claims, suits and demands (whether based in contract, tort, equity or otherwise) that I have or may in the future have against, and irrevocably release from liability and agree not to sue, FortisBC or any of its affiliates or any of its officers, directors, employees, agents, contractors or representatives for any type of loss or damage that I may suffer including, without limitation, property loss or damage, financial loss or damage, or personal injury that arise or accrue from, as a result of, in relation to, or in connection with my involvement in the program or the use and installation of these products.
- I understand that any improvements to be performed in my home are subject to the availability of funds, program goals, and eligibility of the household under the program guidelines.
- I have attached the most recent copy of a qualifying document for each member of the household 18 years of age and over and permit FortisBC to use this information to determine the total household income at the above residential property.
- If I do not qualify for ECAP based on the information I have provided in this application, please use this information to determine my eligibility for the Energy Savings Kit (ESK) Program and/or the AC Unit Only Offer.
- If I am a tenant, I understand that work cannot be completed in my home without the permission of my landlord and that it is my task to have my landlord complete the Landlord Consent Form and attach the completed form to my application.
- If I am a tenant, I understand and agree that all energy efficient products installed and/or or replaced in my home under the ECAP program, including but not limited to appliances, fixtures and all other improvements are the property of the building owner, and I will not remove or alter them.
- I understand that, once installed, AC Units become the property of the applicant (whether a tenant or the owner) and as such they accept all responsibilities and liabilities related to the AC Unit, including those related to the repair, maintenance, replacement, and removal of the AC Unit.

Consent to use information

- I consent to FortisBC Energy Inc. and Fortis Inc. collecting, using and disclosing my personal information on this form for the purpose of administering ECAP and the AC Unit Only Offer, in accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act and FortisBC's Privacy Policy. If I have any questions regarding ECAP, and/or the information collection undertaken on this form, I can contact 1-866-436-7847.
- I consent to FortisBC, and their contractors carrying out any necessary inquiry
 and to collect and use any information provided by me under this program for
 the purposes of administering, carrying out and evaluating the program
 including, without limitation, determining my eligibility to receive benefits under
 this program, conducting an evaluation of my home, recommending and
 installing energy efficient measures in my home, verifying compliance and
 conducting a quality assurance evaluation.
- FortisBC may disclose my personal information to its contractors for the purposes of administering ECAP and the AC Only Offer. Disclosed information includes, but is not limited to: healthy and safety assessment results, products installed, photos of current and new equipment installed in the home and building information and I consent to information in accordance with the provisions of the Personal Information Protection Act.
- I also consent to FortisBC's internal use of any information provided by me in this application and under this program, including electricity and natural gas consumption at the above household for a period of 36 months before program participation and 36 months after program participation, for purposes of:
- administering and verifying the effectiveness of the program, and
- expanding existing programs and designing new programs to better serve the needs of residential customers.
- I understand that FortisBC may contact me (by phone, direct mail or similar method) for the purposes of program administration, implementation and evaluation and/or to provide me with further information on this or other similar conservation-related programs.

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