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APPLICABILITY

This rider is applicable to all non-lighting kilowatt-hours (kWh) of energy supplied to customers under the Company's retail rate schedules, excluding kWh of energy supplied to "opt-out" customers. The Demand Side Investment Mechanism (DSIM) Rider will be calculated and applied separately to the following rate classes: (1) Residential Service (NS-RG, TC-RG, TP-RG) and (2) non-Residential Service, which includes: (a) Small General Service (NS-GS, TC-GS and TP-GS), (b) Large General Service (NS-LG and TC-LG), (c) Small Primary Service (NS-SP and TC-SP), (d) Large Power Service (LP) and (e) Transmission Service (TS).

Charges in this DSIM Rider reflect costs associated with implementation of the Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA) Cycle 2 Plan and any remaining unrecovered costs from prior MEEIA Cycle Plans or other approved energy efficiency plans. Those costs include:

- 1) Program Costs, Throughput Disincentive (TD), and Earnings Opportunity Award (EO) (if any) for the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan, as well as Program Costs, TD and EO for commission approved business program projects completed for prior MEEIA Cycle Plans and any earned Earnings Opportunity earned (and ordered) attributable to prior MEEIA Cycle Plans.
- 2) Reconciliations, with interest, to true-up for differences between the revenues billed under this DSIM Rider and total actual monthly amounts for:
 - i. Program Costs incurred in Cycle 2 and/or remaining unrecovered amounts for prior MEEIA Cycle Plans or other approved energy efficiency plans.
 - ii. TD incurred in Cycle 2, and/or remaining unrecovered amounts for prior MEEIA Cycle Plans.
 - iii. Amortization of any Earnings Opportunity Award (EO) ordered by the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission), and/or remaining true-ups or unrecovered amounts for prior MEEIA Cycle Plans.
- 3) Any Ordered Adjustments. Charges under this DSIM Rider shall continue after the anticipated plan period of MEEIA Cycle 2 until such time as the costs described in items 1) and 2) above have been billed.

Charges arising from the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan that are the subject of this DSIM Rider shall be reflected in one "DSIM Charge" on customers' bills in combination with any charges arising from a rider that is applicable to post-MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan demand-side management programs approved under the MEEIA. This will include any unrecovered amounts for Program Costs, unrecovered TD from prior MEEIA Cycle Plans, and any Earnings Opportunity, etc. earned / remaining from prior MEEIA Cycle Plans.

DEFINITIONS

As used in this DSIM Rider, the following definitions shall apply:

"Cycle 2 Earnings Opportunity" (EO) means the annual incentive ordered by the Commission based on actual incentive spending in the EO table, Application Appendix H in Case No. EO-2025-0124. The Company's EO for Cycle 2 will be \$952,238 if 100% achievement of the planned targets are met. EO is capped at \$ 1,025,691. Potential Earnings Opportunity is described on Sheet No. 1. The Earnings Opportunity outlining the payout rates, weightings, and caps can be found at Sheet No. 1.

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"Deemed Savings Table" means a list of Measures derived from the Company's TRM or cost effectiveness analysis that quantifies gross energy and demand savings associated with Company-specific Measure parameters where available, as outlined in Application Appendix C to the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan in Case No. EO-2025-0124.

"Effective Period" (EP) means the billing months for which the approved DSIM is to be effective, i.e., the 21 billing months beginning with the April billing month of 2025 and ending with the December billing month of 2027.

"Evaluation Measurement & Verification" (EM&V) means the performance of studies and activities intended to evaluate the process of the Company's Program delivery and oversight and to estimate and/or verify the estimated actual energy and demand savings, cost effectiveness, and other effects from demand-side Programs

"Incentive" means any consideration provided by the Company, including, but not limited to, buy downs, markdowns, rebates, bill credits, payments to third parties, direct installation, giveaways, and education, which encourages the adoption of Program Measures.

"Measure" means the Energy Efficiency measures described for each program in the Application Appendix C to the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan in Case No. EO-2025-0124.

"MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan" consists of the demand-side programs and the DSIM described in the MEEIA Cycle 2 Filing, which became effective following Commission order and approval of the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan under EO-2025-0124.

"Programs" means MEEIA Cycle 2 programs listed in Tariff Sheet Nos. 29 through 29I and added in accordance with the Commission's rule 20 CSR 4240-20.094(4).

"Program Costs" means any prudently incurred program expenditures, including such items as program planning, program design; administration; delivery; end-use measures and incentive payments; advertising expense; evaluation, measurement, and verification; market potential studies; and work on a statewide initiatives.

"Short-Term Borrowing Rate" means a rate equal to the weighted average interest paid on the Company's short-term debt during the month.

"Throughput Disincentive" (TD) means the utility's lost margins associated with the successful implementation of the MEEIA programs. The detailed methodology for calculating the TD is described beginning in Tariff Sheet No.21c.

"TRM" means the Technical Resource Manuals utilized to estimate the savings for the measures included in the DSM portfolio.

DETERMINATION OF DSIM RATES

The DSIM during the applicable EP is a dollar per kWh rate for each applicable Service Classification calculated as follows:

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$$DSIM = [NPC + NTD + NEO + NOA] / PE$$

Where:

NPC = Net Program Costs for the applicable EP as defined below,

$$NPC = PPC + PCR$$

PPC = Projected Program Costs is an amount equal to Program Costs projected by the Company to be incurred during the applicable EP.

PCR = Program Costs Reconciliation is equal to the cumulative difference, if any, between the NPC revenues billed resulting from the application of the DSIM through the end of the previous EP and the actual Program Costs incurred through the end of the previous EP (which will reflect projections through the end of the previous EP due to timing of adjustments). Such amounts shall include monthly interest on cumulative over- or under-balances at the Company's monthly Short-Term Borrowing Rate.

NTD = Net Throughput Disincentive for the applicable EP as defined below,

$$NTD = PTD + TDR$$

PTD = Projected Throughput Disincentive is the Company's TD projected by the Company to be incurred during the applicable EP. For the detailed method for calculating the TD, see The MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan.

TDR = Throughput Disincentive Reconciliation is equal to the cumulative difference, if any, between the NTD revenues billed during the previous EP resulting from the application of the DSIM and the Company's TD through the end of the previous EP calculated pursuant to the MEEIA Cycle 2 application, as applicable (which will reflect projections through the end of the previous EP due to timing of adjustments). Such amounts shall include monthly interest on cumulative over- or under- balances at the Company's monthly Short-Term Borrowing Rate.

NEO = Net Earnings Opportunity for the applicable EP as defined below,

$$NEO = EO + EOR$$

EO = Earnings Opportunity is equal to the Earnings Opportunity Award monthly amortization multiplied by the number of billing months in the applicable EP, plus the succeeding EP. MEEIA Cycle 2 monthly amortization shall be determined by dividing the Earnings Opportunity Award by the number of billing months from the billing month of the first DSIM after the determination of the annual Earnings Opportunity Award and 12 calendar months following that first billing month.

EOR = Earnings Opportunity Reconciliation is equal to the cumulative difference, if any, between the NEO revenues billed during the previous EP resulting from the application of the DSIM and the monthly amortization of the EO Award through the end of the previous EP (which will reflect projections through the end of the previous EP due to timing of adjustments). Such amounts shall include monthly interest on cumulative over- or under- balances at the Company's monthly Short-Term Borrowing Rate.

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NOA = Net Ordered Adjustment for the applicable EP as defined below,

$$NOA = OA + OAR$$

OA = Ordered Adjustment is the amount of any adjustment to the DSIM ordered by the Commission as a result of prudence reviews and/or corrections under this Rider DSIM. Such amounts shall include monthly interest at the Company's monthly short-term borrowing rate.

OAR = Ordered Adjustment Reconciliation is equal to the cumulative difference, if any, between the NOA revenues billed during the previous EP resulting from the application of the DSIM and the actual OA ordered by the Commission through the end of the previous EP (which will reflect projections through the end of the previous EP due to timing of adjustments). Such amounts shall include monthly interest on cumulative over- or under-balances at the Company's monthly Short-Term Borrowing Rate.

PE = Projected Energy, in kWh, forecasted to be delivered to the customers to which the Rider DSIM applies during the applicable EP.

The DSIM components and total DSIM applicable to the individual Service Classifications shall be rounded to the nearest \$0.00001.

Allocation of MEEIA Cycle 2 Program Costs, TD and EO for each rate schedule for the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan will be allocated as outlined in EO-2025-0124.

This Rider DSIM shall not be applicable to customers that have satisfied the opt-out provisions contained in Section 393.1075.7, RSMo or the low-income exemption provisions described herein.

CALCULATION OF TD:

Monthly Throughput Disincentive = the sum of the Throughput Disincentive Calculation for all programs applicable to (1) Residential Service (NS-RG, TC-RG, TP-RG); (2) Small General Service (NS-GS, TC-GS and TP-GS), (3) Large General Service (NS-LG and TC-LG), (4) Small Primary Service (NS-SP and TC-SP); (5) Large Power Service (LP); and (6) Transmission Service (TS).

The TD for each Service Classification shall be determined by the following formula:

$$TD = [MS \times TBR \times NTGF]$$

Where:

TD = Throughput Disincentive, in dollars, to be collected for a given month, for a given Service Classification.

MS = Monthly Savings, is the sum of all Programs' monthly savings, in kWh, for a given month, for a given Service Classification.

TBR = Tail Block Rate less the Base Factor. Applicable monthly Tail Block Rate for each applicable Service Classification less the Base Factor embedded in the Tail Block Rate as reported in the Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment Clause.

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NTGF = Net-To-Gross Factor. For the EP, all TD calculations will assume a NTGF of 0.825 for residential and 0.7 for non-residential until such time as a NTGF is determined through EM&V for that EP. Thereafter, for each given EP, the NTGF determined through EM&V will be used prospectively starting with the month in which the Earnings Opportunity Award is determined.

MS = The sum of all Programs' Monthly Savings in kWh, for a given month, for a given class. The Monthly Savings in kWh for each Program shall be determined by the formula:

$$MS = (MAS_{CM} + CAS_{PM} - RB) \times LS + HER$$

RB = Rebasing Adjustment. The Rebasing Adjustment shall equal the CAS applicable as of the date used for the MEEIA normalization in any general rate case resulting in new rates becoming effective during the accrual and collection of TD\$ pursuant to MEEIA Cycle 2. In the event more than one general rate case resulting in new rates becoming effective during the accrual and collection of TD\$ pursuant to MEEIA Cycle 2, the Rebasing Adjustment shall include each and every prior Rebasing Adjustment calculation.

LS = Load Shape. The Load Shape is the monthly load shape percent for each program.

MC = Measure Count. Measure Count, for a given month, for a given class, for each measure is the number of each measure installed in the current calendar month.

ME = Measure Energy. Measure Energy will be determined as follows, for each Measure:

- i. For Measures not listed under those programs listed in Liberty's MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan, the ME is the annual total of normalized savings for each measure at customer meter per measure defined in the TRM or in the cost-effectiveness analysis.
- ii. For Measures in MEEIA Cycle 2 programs, the ME will be the annual value attributable to the installations reported monthly by the program implementer.

MAS = The sum of MC multiplied by ME for all measures in a program in the current calendar month.

CAS = Cumulative sum of MAS for each program for MEEIA Cycle 2.

CM = Current Calendar month

PM = Prior calendar month

HER = Monthly kWh savings for the Home Energy Reports and Income-Eligible Home Energy Reports programs measured and reported monthly by the program implementer.

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EARNINGS OPPORTUNITY AWARD DETERMINATION

The MEEIA Cycle 2 EO Award shall be calculated using the matrix in the MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan. The cumulative EO will not go below \$0. The EO target at 100% is \$ \$952,238. The EO cannot go above \$1,025,691. The cap is based on current program levels. If Commission-approved new programs are added during the EP and any program plan modifications through 2027, the Company may seek Commission approval to have the targets for the cap of the EO scale proportionately to the spending and participation targets.

FILING

After the initial DSIM Rider rate adjustment filing, the Company shall make a DSIM Rider rate adjustment filing at least annually under the Term of this MEEIA Rider. DSIM Rider rate adjustment filings shall be made at least sixty (60) days prior to their effective dates.

PRUDENCE REVIEWS

A prudence review shall be conducted no less frequently than at twenty-four (24) month intervals in accordance with 20 CSR 4240-20.093(11). Any costs, which are determined by the Commission to have been imprudently incurred or incurred in violation of the terms of this DSIM Rider, shall be returned to customers through an adjustment in the next DSIM Rider rate adjustment filing and reflected in factor OA above.

DISCONTINUING THE DSIM

The Company reserves the right to discontinue the entire MEEIA Cycle 2 portfolio, if the Company determines that implementation of such programs is no longer reasonable due to changed factors or circumstances that have materially and negatively impacted the economic viability of such programs as determined by the Company, upon no less than thirty days' notice to the Commission. As a result of these changes, the Company may file to discontinue this DSIM. Similar to Program discontinuance, the Company would file a notice indicating that it is discontinuing the DSIM Rider. This notice would include a methodology for recovery of any unrecovered Program Costs, TD and EO.

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DEMAND SIDE INVESTMENT MECHANISM CHARGE

As approved in Commission Case No. EO-2025-0124, MEEIA Cycle 2 Filing.

MEEIA DSIM Components
(MEEIA Cycle 2 Plan)

Service Class	NPC/PE (\$/kWh)	NTD/PE (\$/kWh)	NEO/PE (\$/kWh)	NOA/PE (\$/kWh)	Total DSIM (\$/kWh)
Residential Service	\$0.00032	\$0.00050	\$0.00005	-	\$0.00087
Non-Residential Service	\$0.00177	\$0.00090	\$0.00005	-	\$0.00272

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A. Residential Smart Thermostats

PURPOSE:

The Residential Smart Thermostats program is designed to raise customer awareness of the benefits of smart thermostats to control energy use in their homes and to connect thermostats to the related demand response program. The Empire District Electric Company's (Company) participation in such financial incentives is limited to the amount approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission in Case No. EO-2025-0124.

DEFINITIONS:

Administrator – The Company will align itself with a third-party implementation vendor, which will also contribute to marketing and outreach.

Eligible Participant – Residential electric retail customer in rate schedule NS-RG, TC-RG or TP-RG.

Funds – The 2025 - 2027 budget for this program, as ordered in Case No. EO-2025-0124, is \$710,773.

Program Period – As approved in EO-2025-0124, the program will be administered through the year 2027, or until superseded by a new MEEIA portfolio.

Measures – Empire will offer instant rebates on qualifying thermostats through an on-line marketplace.

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DESCRIPTIONS:

Customers are eligible to purchase qualifying smart thermostats through the on-line marketplace. Customers that participate receive instant incentives at the point-of-purchase. Incentives will vary depending upon the type of thermostat, manufacturer, and the associated retail cost.

Residential customers are also eligible to receive energy advice through an online energy audit tool available at no cost. The evaluation identifies potential energy efficiency upgrades, educates the customer on managing energy consumption, and provides further information on Liberty's other energy efficiency programs. Customers may order recommended thermostats following the completion of an online audit through the online marketplace. The online marketplace will be available to all customers to purchase thermostats regardless of their participation in the online energy audit tool.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Liberty and/or a contractor acting on the Company's behalf may conduct desktop or field-based QA/QC on a random selection of completed energy efficiency projects. The QA/QC process may include verification of purchase and/or installation of any equipment/measures that receive incentives through the program. The QA/QC process does not constitute an inspection for proper installation except where the installation impacts the effectiveness or efficiency of the measure in question. Customers and building owners who participate in this program may participate in other programs, if qualified.

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B. Residential Demand Response Program

PURPOSE:

The Residential Demand Response Program (“Program”) is designed to deliver demand reductions during peak periods through the control of thermostats in customer locations. The Empire District Electric Company’s (Company) participation in such financial incentives is limited to the amount approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission in Case No. EO-2025-0124.

DEFINITIONS:

Administrator – The Company will align itself with a third-party implementation vendor, which will also contribute to marketing and outreach.

Eligible Participant – Single family residential electric retail customer in rate schedule NS-RG, TC-RG or TP-RG.

Funds – The 2025 - 2027 budget for this program, as ordered in Case No. EO-2025-0124, is \$858,933.

Program Period – As approved in EO-2025-0124 the program will be administered through the year 2027, or until superseded by a new MEEIA portfolio.

Measures – Liberty will offer incentives to customers who enroll in the program and participate in qualifying events.

DESCRIPTION:

A direct load control (“DLC”) program enabled through Wi-Fi connected thermostats in customers’ homes. Liberty will work with various smart thermostat manufacturers and anticipates entry into the program through multiple channels including bring your own device, customer self-install and direct installs for low-income customers. Liberty will partner with a demand response software provider who will remotely call events. An event will be called in coordination with peak demand in SPP. During an event, there may be a consistent change of temperature in a home or cycling a customer’s HVAC system to reduce demand. Customers will be compensated during the initial enrollment period and on a periodic basis (seasonally or annually) based on the number of events they participate in. Customers will be allowed to opt out of a single event without impact to their incentive tied to participation.

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DELIVERY:

The Company will deliver the Program with the aid of a program administrator, with whom it will deliver the program according to a contract.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Liberty and/or a contractor acting on the Company's behalf may conduct desktop or field-based QA/QC on a random selection of completed energy efficiency projects. The QA/QC process may include verification of purchase and/or installation of any equipment/measures that receive incentives through the program. The QA/QC process does not constitute an inspection for proper installation except where the installation impacts the effectiveness or efficiency of the measure in question. Customers who participate in this program may participate in other programs, if qualified.

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C. Liberty Energy Upgrade Program

PURPOSE:

The Liberty Energy Upgrade Program (Program) is designed to support the delivery of long-term energy savings and bill reductions to eligible customers in single family and multi-family dwellings of 1-3 units through the direct installation of custom energy upgrades necessary to support the proper installation of efficiency measures.

DEFINITIONS:

Administrator – The Company will align itself with a third-party implementation vendor, which will also contribute to marketing and outreach.

Eligible Participant – Income eligible residential customers that own or rent a single-family residence or reside in a unit in a 1–3-unit building being served by the Company in rate schedule NS-RG, TC-RG, and TP-RG.

Funds – The 2025 - 2026 budget for this program, as ordered in Case No. EO-2025-0124, is \$1,148,368.

Program Period – As approved in EO-2025-0124, the program will be administered through the year 2026, or until superseded by a new MEEIA portfolio.

Measures – Eligible measures are included but not limited to replacement of electric furnaces that are 10 years or older with energy-efficient heat pumps, replacement of electric water heaters that are non-functional or leaking, electrical system upgrades to accommodate increased load of a new heat pump and electrical upgrades to mitigate knob-and-tube wiring.

DESCRIPTION:

Income eligible customers receive free in-home evaluations, customized recommendations for energy efficient measure upgrades and direct installation of energy upgrades at no cost.

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DELIVERY:

Liberty will engage with local community qualified income assistance agencies as the primary path for program delivery.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Liberty and/or a contractor acting on the Company's behalf may conduct desktop or field-based QA/QC on a random selection of completed energy efficiency projects. The QA/QC process may include verification of purchase and/or installation of any equipment/measures that receive incentives through the program. The QA/QC process does not constitute an inspection for proper installation except where the installation impacts the effectiveness or efficiency of the measure in question. Customers and building owners who participate in this program may participate in other programs, if qualified.

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D. C&I Demand Response Program

PURPOSE:

The C&I Demand Response Program facilitates the reduction of demand of building loads at commercial and industrial customer sites during peak events. The Empire District Electric Company's (Company) participation in such financial incentives is limited to the amount approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission in Case No. EO-2025-0124.

DEFINITIONS:

Administrator – The Company will align itself with a third-party implementation vendor, which will also contribute to marketing and outreach.

Eligible Participant – Nonresidential electric customers or owners of newly-constructed or existing nonresidential property who are being served under nonresidential rate plans: NS-GS, TC-GS, TP-GS, NS-LG, TC-LG, NS-SP, TC-SP, or LP, and are not on a current voluntary interruptible tariff with the Company.

Funds – The 2025 - 2027 budget for this program, as ordered in Case No. EO-2025-0124, is \$974,596.

Program Period – As approved in EO-2025-0124 the program will be administered through the year 2027, or until superseded by a new MEEIA portfolio.

Measures – Incentives.

Liberty will offer incentives to customers who enroll in the program and participate in qualifying events.

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DESCRIPTIONS:

The active demand response program is a technology agnostic program available to all commercial and industrial customers to reduce building system loads during peak events. Customers taking part in the program may not be on the Company's current curtailment.

The program will pay the customer or may work directly with their CSPs for demand reduced during an event. Customers will have the opportunity to select the number of events they are willing to participate in during a calendar year. Events will be called during weekdays, and customers may choose to participate in extended time events.

DELIVERY:

Liberty will work with a third-party implementation contractor to assist in the implementation and delivery of the program.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Liberty and/or a contractor acting on the Company's behalf may conduct desktop or field-based QA/QC on a random selection of completed energy efficiency projects. The QA/QC process may include verification of purchase and/or installation of any equipment/measures that receive incentives through the program. The QA/QC process does not constitute an inspection for proper installation except where the installation impacts the effectiveness or efficiency of the measure in question. Customers and building owners who participate in this program may participate in other programs, if qualified.

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E. Commercial and Industrial (“C&I”) Rebate Program

PURPOSE:

The C&I Rebate Program is designed to encourage the efficient use of energy by providing rebates to cover a portion of the costs associated with the purchase and installation of energy efficient equipment in commercial and industrial facilities. Empire District Electric Company’s (Company) participation in such financial incentives is limited to the amount approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission in Case No. EO-2025-0124.

DEFINITIONS:

Administrator – The Company will align itself with a third-party implementation vendor, which will also contribute to marketing and outreach.

Eligible Participant – Nonresidential electric customers or owners of newly-constructed or existing nonresidential property who are being served under nonresidential rate plans NS-GS, TC-GS, TP-GS, NS-LG, TC-LG, NS-SP, TC-SP, LP, or TS and have not opted out of participation in the program under Missouri Public Service Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.094(7)(A).

Funds – The 2025 - 2026 budget for this program, as ordered in Case No. EO-2025-0124, is \$4,125,116.

Program Period – As approved in Case No. EO-2025-0124, the program will be administered through the year 2026, or until superseded by a new MEEIA portfolio.

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DESCRIPTIONS:

The program provides incentives to encourage the purchasing of energy efficient equipment at commercial and industrial facilities. The program consists of prescriptive and custom rebates.

Prescriptive – Pre-qualified prescriptive rebates are available for new construction and retrofit projects. A complete list of prescriptive measures and their projected incentives can be found in Application Appendix C of Empire’s MEEIA Cycle II Filing, made in Case No. EO-2025-0124. Liberty may adjust measures and incentive amounts during the program cycle based on customer participation, market conditions, budget restrictions or other limiting factors.

Custom – Equipment that does not qualify for a prescriptive rebate will be eligible for a custom rebate. Applications must be pre-approved by Empire before equipment is purchased and installed. A \$250,000 incentive cap is imposed per facility per program year. However, if funds are still available in the last three months of the program year, the cap may be exceeded.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Liberty and/or a contractor acting on the Company’s behalf may conduct desktop or field-based QA/QC on a random selection of completed energy efficiency projects. The QA/QC process may include verification of purchase and/or installation of any equipment/measures that receive incentives through the program. The QA/QC process does not constitute an inspection for proper installation except where the installation impacts the effectiveness or efficiency of the measure in question. Customers and building owners who participate in this program may participate in other programs, if qualified.