

Press Release

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Reading Electric awarded PA DEP Grant for Energy Efficiency Lighting Upgrade

Grant is for the purchase and installation of High Efficiency "Four Bulb T5HO fluorescent" fixtures, Replacing 400 watt HIDs (High Intensity Discharge Lights).

Reading, Pennsylvania – May 21, 2009 – Reading Electric announces the award of a PA DEP Small Business Energy Efficiency Grant for \$3,320 to upgrade existing HIDs to high efficiency lamps and ballast to improve energy efficiency in its shop operations.

IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE LIGHTING UPGRADE AND GRANT

- Reading Electric will decrease its lighting energy costs by 47%, and with the grant, will achieve a payback period of less than two years.
- Reading Electric Personnel completed the required Energy Analysis and Grant Application, becoming one of 53 companies in PA to receive a grant in this announcement round. A new round of PA DEP SBEEG grants will become available shortly.
- Reading Electric provides Customers with support on conducting energy analysis audits and grant application preparation.

The PA DEP Small Business Energy Efficiency Grant Program is the first program under the \$650 million PA Alternative Energy Investment Fund. It provides small businesses of 100 employees or less with the opportunity to receive a 25 percent reimbursement grant of up to \$25,000 to implement qualified energy efficiency improvements. Manufacturers, retailers, service providers, mining businesses, agricultural operations and other businesses can use the grants for energy efficiency improvements on <u>lighting</u>, motors, variable speed controllers, and other process machinery.

Reading Electric provides industry leading educational services of Technical Workshops and Technical Bulletins on how to conduct an energy analysis audit and prepare grant and loan applications for energy efficiency projects. Reading Electric offers energy analysis and application services to make the application process as seamless as possible; helping Companies save on energy costs and take advantage of State funding programs.

Reading Electric is a leading supplier of electromechanical equipment and services, and has provided problem solving solutions to Industrial, Commercial and Municipal customers for over 50 years. For additional information visit: www.readingelectric.com or call: 610-929-5777.

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