

# HERS Rater Bonus Pilot

We are excited to announce the launch of a new pilot for HERS Raters! Starting in May 2024, DTE Energy will offer bonuses for Raters who submit homes that achieve 40% or more energy savings above Michigan code.

## Overview

DTE's Home Energy Rater System (HERS) Rater Bonus pilot offers a bonus incentive to HERS Raters to serve as consultants and building science professionals for their builders through path to performance consulting. Raters will help their builders effectively improve the performance of participating homes to receive an extra incentive when their builders' homes achieve at least 40% savings above code in the DTE New Home Construction (NHC) Program.

This pilot is designed to include two phases – a consultation and bonus phase.

### Consultation Phase

During the consultation period, Raters will provide builders with insights on how to achieve 40% or more above code.

The consultation period begins **Feb. 1, 2024**.

### Bonus Phase

Beginning in May 2024, Raters will receive a bonus on homes submitted to the New Homes Program that meet the 40% above code threshold.

Bonuses will be offered from **May 1 through Oct. 31, 2024**, or when funding runs out.

## Rater Bonuses

Raters will submit applications to the existing NHC Program via Ekotrope. Applications that meet the 40% above code threshold will automatically become eligible to receive a bonus. Bonus processing can take anywhere from 3-4 weeks.

### Tiered approach for bonuses:



	Rater Qualifications	Incentive Amount
<b>Level 1</b>	Achieve 40-44% above code	\$150/home
<b>Level 2</b>	Achieve 45% or higher above code	\$250/home

### Pilot Timeline

Feb. 1 – Pilot Program Kick-Off  
Feb.-April – Consultation Begins  
May 1 – Bonuses Begin  
Oct. 31 – Pilot and Bonuses End



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