

BUSINESS POWERUP



Energy Solutions and Resources for Your Business

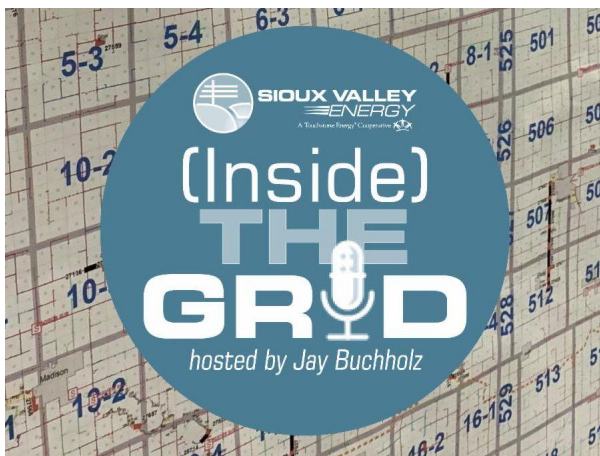
Sioux Valley Energy provides several programs, incentives, and resources to help your business with its energy needs.

In the latest episode of our [Inside the Grid](#) podcast, we talk with members of our Beneficial Electrification Department about some of the Co-op's offerings that may aid your business.

If you have suggestions for future issues or wish to discuss your operation's current and future energy needs, please contact me at jay.buchholz@siouxvalleyenergy.com or call my cell phone at 605-940-2053.

You can find previous issues of *Business PowerUP* [here](#).

Inside The Grid Podcast



In this month's episode of [Inside The Grid](#) podcast, members of Sioux Valley Energy's Beneficial Electrification Department talk about services, programs, and incentives the Cooperative offers.

ITG: Energy Programs, Rebates,
and Incentives



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Building Strong Communities

The Rural Energy for America Program, better known as REAP, provides financial assistance to agricultural producers and rural small businesses for renewable energy system installations and energy efficiency improvements to their operations in rural communities with 50,000 residents or less. Annual grant application deadlines are March 31 and October 31. The October 31 deadline is only open to grant requests of \$20,000 or less. Guaranteed loans applications are accepted year-round.

Find out more about these programs here: [South Dakota](#) - [Minnesota](#).



Funding Available for Rural Energy Projects in South Dakota: Small Businesses and Ag Producers Encouraged to Apply

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How may the funds be used?

Funds may be used for the purchase and installation of renewable energy systems, such as:

- Biomass (for example: biodiesel and ethanol, anaerobic digesters, and solid fuels).
- Geothermal for electric generation or direct use.
- Hydropower below 30 megawatts.
- Hydrogen.
- Small and large wind generation.
- Small and large solar generation.

Funds may also be used for the purchase and installation of energy efficiency improvements, such as:

- High efficiency heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems (HVAC).
 - Insulation.
 - Lighting.
 - Cooling or refrigeration units.
 - Doors and windows.
 - Grain dryer and handling systems.
 - Electric, solar or gravity pumps for sprinkler pivots.
 - Switching from a diesel to electric irrigation motor.
 - Energy efficient replacement for other applicable equipment needed for business or ag operations.
- *Note: energy efficiency projects must show a savings in energy compared the existing equipment. An energy assessment or audit is a required application item to verify projected savings.*

What funding is available?

- Loan guarantees on loans up to 75 percent of total eligible project costs.
- Grants for up to 25 percent of total eligible project costs.
- Combined grant and loan guarantee funding up to 75 percent of total eligible project costs.

Interested persons can research eligibility by visiting the [SD Rural Development REAP website](#), or by contacting South Dakota Energy Coordinator Lance Lockwood, (605) 858-6681 or lance.lockwood@usda.gov.

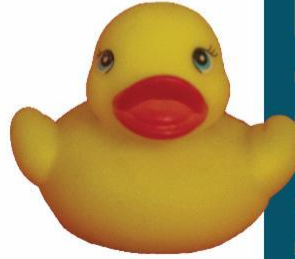
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