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Low income rebates qualifications

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I was very disappointed to be told by your committee when I inquired about the necessary documentation to qualify for a low-income heatpump rebate that heatpump installations done after the IRA passed but before you went through your drafting of the regulations for payment would NOT qualify for the low-income rebate. I installed my heatpump in April 2023 after researching and inquiring with your committee, and at that time, I was told that the rebates WOULD be available for this investment but the funding wouldn't be available until 2024. I went ahead based on that reassurance. Then I found out that this may not in fact be approved in your regulations.

This is unfair. We who are low-income but put our trust in the legislation and committed a LOT of our funds to helping quickly clean up the California environment deserve to be rewarded for our efforts. We already cannot qualify for the solar federal tax rebates. This makes it hard for low-income Californians to make a difference for the future of our nation, the global environment, or our grandkids.

It is very disappointing to make a concerted effort to make a difference for our world and then have regulators eschew that investment. I sincerely hope you will reconsider this choice.

I also would like to know what other rebates are available to low-income California homeowners.