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National Grid supports historic building project

National Grid's new construction program support has helped Studio Meja Architects in their historic building design effort.

Eric Army, AIA principal, Studio Meja Architects, Providence, describes the project: "As part of the Providence G complex, we've transformed four historic buildings of this former Gas Company headquarters into shops, restaurants, and apartments. It was important to us to save energy throughout the project. Outside, we preserved the shell of these buildings and left their unique details intact. And inside, the spaces are designed for maximum efficiency. We took advantage of incentives on energy-efficient equipment through National Grid, like rebates for our HVAC systems and nearly 100% LED lighting. It's obvious they've invested in understanding how design professionals incorporate efficiency into projects."

The National Grid new construction program can help your project

Energy-efficient buildings mean more than highly specialized materials and innovative architectural, electrical, and mechanical systems. Better buildings mean better business – a source of tangible, lasting competitive advantage. Efficiency is a process, driven by careful planning and smart choices. As you plan for new construction, we encourage you to learn about and capitalize on better technologies and practices to reduce operating expenses, improve building performance and increase facility value.

The large business new construction program offers technical assistance and financial incentives of up to 75% of incremental costs to large commercial and industrial customers who are building new facilities, adding capacity for manufacturing, replacing failed equipment, or undergoing major renovations. This program targets time-dependent opportunities by incorporating energy efficient equipment and systems into the project design.

The large business new construction program provides assistance in four critical areas:

- * Design services - Create a plan that takes full advantage of energy-efficient systems and technologies.
- * Technical services - help customers become aware of cost-effective energy efficiency opportunities for their facilities.
- * Educational services - Learn how to maintain and operate your building to yield maximum energy savings.
- * Financial - Save on the cost of technologies that reduce energy expenses and improve the comfort of your facility. Custom incentives are based on the unique energy savings criteria of a project. Final incentives are available to cover up to 75% of incremental labor and equipment costs.

Implement your one-of-a-kind energy efficiency project. To learn more about our incentives, please

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