NYSERDA Building Operations and Maintenance PON 5357 Overview Webinar

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Q & A Document

#	Question	NYSERDA Response
1	If our customers submitted under PON 3715 for the deadline of Round 15, what happens to their application if the program is now expired? Thanks!	Proposers to Round 15 of PON 3715 will be notified of the outcome of NYSERDA's review within the week. Organizations not selected for funding under PON 3715 are welcome to revise their submission and apply for funding under PON 5357.
2	Most Facilities Department are understaffed. Can this program include any overtime cost for training?	Costs for overtime while building operators attend training can be included in the NYSERDA funding and/or cost share contribution. Facility labor is usually classified as applicant cost share but could be included in the NYSERDA funding so long as cost share minimums are met.
3	What does "delivery methods, whether synchronous or asynchronous remote, or in person" mean?	Training funded through this program can be offered in various ways. Synchronous refers to virtual live training, and asynchronous refers to virtual on-demand or recorded trainings. In person training is also supported.
4	For getting Con Ed data, how does this fit into the application process?	At the time of application, you need to provide the total annual energy cost for the facility/facilities. For energy reporting during the project, NYSERDA collects data release authorization forms, which contain utility account numbers.
5	Is it best to engage an approved training organization to help with application submission?	Building owners / property management companies can choose to apply on their own if they will be conducting their own training. If organizations would like to engage with an outside training organization, the coordination with that training provider should happen prior to submitting an application, so that the relevant details about that provider and the training to be provided can be included. NYSERDA does not have a list of approved training organizations. The training organization's qualifications are submitted and reviewed as part of the application.
6	Can any non-awarded application be resubmitted after addressing the strength and weakness assessment?	Yes.
7	What is the new deadline to apply for PON 5357?	Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis depending on funding availability until December 31, 2025 at 3pm ET.