

Onsite Energy Manager MF Information Webinar

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Questions	Answer
What is a portfolio?	<i>A portfolio refers to a group of buildings that fall under the same owner organization.</i>
How is the cost share amount determined for portfolios that contain a mix of affordable and market rate buildings?	<i>The cost share for mixed portfolio projects will be broken out based on the percentage breakdown of affordable buildings within the portfolio. This review will be conducted on a case-by-case basis to determine overall cost share amount for the project.</i>
What areas of the building are included when calculating the facility consumption annual spend?	<i>The annual spend is based on the energy consumption of the total building-inclusive of both common spaces and tenant residences.</i>
If the applicant is the consultant, can the OsEM be more than one person from the consultant's team?	<i>The goal of the OsEM program is to demonstrate the value of a dedicated energy manager for an organization. It is possible for projects to have two staff members, with limitations. The program requires that if there are two team members working on this, a single person must serve as the on-site energy manager and another person can serve as a support to the onsite energy manager. The on-site energy manager must be responsible for at least 75% of the hours for this project.</i>
For single owners of multiple buildings, can these buildings apply together as a portfolio?	<i>For a single owner of multiple facilities, NYSERDA would consider the owner as a customer and the multiple buildings could participate as a portfolio.</i>
Is this version of the program different than the previous OsEM Multifamily offering?	<i>The major difference between the previous MF OsEM offering and the current one is the 100% cost share amount for affordable projects. There are minor updates to the program terms and rules.</i>
Is there a Program Manual?	<i>There is no program manual for OsEM but there is a PON or program summary that contains all information about the program. The application, scope of work, and concept requirements can be found on the program page.</i>
Is there a limit to the number of applications one owner can submit?	<i>After the first 3 applications with the same owner organization, NYSERDA reserves the right to limit the cost share amount to 50%.</i>