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**APPLICATION FOR TAX CREDIT  
FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION DEVICES**

**HOWARD COUNTY CODE SECTION 20.128A (CB17-2025)**

In accordance with the provisions of § 9-203 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, an owner of real property may receive a property tax credit against the County Property Tax imposed on a residential structure that utilizes a solar energy device or geothermal energy device. The amount of the tax credit allowed under this section is the lesser of: 50% of the eligible costs; or \$5,000 for a heating or electric generating system or \$1,500 for a hot water supply system.

The application shall be filed no later than June 30 prior to the first taxable year for which the credit is sought. All taxes are due and payable when issued. The credit amount applied in a tax year may not exceed the amount of County Property Tax. Any amount not taken in the year in which the application is granted may be carried over for an additional two years.

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_ Property Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Please attach completed Geothermal Heating or Electric Generation Certification Form*

Signature of Owner \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Submit completed application to:</b></p> <p><b>Howard County Dept of Finance PO Box 3370 Ellicott City, MD 21041-3370</b></p> <p><b>Or email to: taxcredit@howardcountymd.gov</b></p>	<p><b>For questions contact:</b></p> <p><b>Dept of Inspections, Licenses and Permits 3430 Court House Dr Ellicott City, MD 21043</b></p> <p><b>(410) 313-3943</b></p>
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# Energy Conservation Device Geothermal Heating or Electric Generation Certification Form

### A. Owner Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel \_\_\_\_\_  
Installation Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: MD Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sections B through D should be filled out by the **installer** of the system.

### B. Geothermal Heating System Information

System Size (tons): \_\_\_\_\_ System type: \_\_\_\_\_ closed loop \_\_\_\_\_ open loop  
Heat Pump Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_ Model #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total feet: \_\_\_\_\_ vertical system \_\_\_\_\_ horizontal system

### C. Installation Contractor Information

Installation Contractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor's Md. License #: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of License: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Installation Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### D. Hardware and Installation Compliance and Inspection

Please check all applicable statements.

- \_\_\_\_\_ The system is in compliance with the National Standard contained in \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ The system has been installed in compliance with applicable requirements of Howard County codes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The system operates as an independent unit and is not back up or redundancy for another system.

Permit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I solemnly affirm under penalties of perjury that I am a contractor licensed in Maryland and that all of the contents of the foregoing certification are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Signed (Contractor): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_

### E. Eligible Costs

The costs of the qualifying energy device and its installations were \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and were incurred within the 12 months preceding this application. *Please attach all receipts.*

### F. Owner Acknowledgement

I solemnly affirm under penalties of perjury that I am the owner of the real property in Howard County identified in Paragraph A and that the contents of the foregoing certification are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Signed (Owner): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### G. For DILP Office Use Only

- The device installed is designed to use geothermal energy to heat or cool a structure or to generate electricity.
- The device meets the national safety standards in Paragraph D of this Certification.
- The device has been installed in accordance with the Howard County Building Code.

DILP Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_