



## North Carolina Interfaith Power & Light

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### Energy Savings Analysis Certificate of Participation

Thank you for inviting NCIPL to assist your faith community in achieving greater energy efficiency and resilience. We will give you a professional perspective on how your building uses energy, as well as low and no-cost changes that your congregation could make to reduce its carbon footprint and utility bills.

\* Required Fields

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First Name\*                      Last Name\*                      Email\*                      Phone\*

- Your Role\*** (click all that apply):     Lead Minister     Clergy     Admin  
 Chair of Green Team     Green Team Member     Building & Grounds/Maintenance  
 Energy Savings Analysis contact

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Check this box only if you DON'T want to be added to our mailing list:     No

#### Faith Community Contact Info

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Name of Faith Community\*                      Phone\*

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Street Address\*                      City\*                      State\*                      Zip Code\*

Region\*:     Mountains     Metrolina     Triad     Triangle     Sandhills     Coast

#### Energy Savings Analysis Contact, if not you:

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First Name\*                      Last Name\*                      Email\*                      Phone\*

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## Connecting with your energy auditor

Once this form has been received, your information will be sent to the energy auditor for your region. They will work with your contact to schedule a date for the energy savings analysis.

## Benchmarking your baseline

It is important benchmark your current baseline. You will be asked to provide 12 to 24-months of your most recent utility billings of electricity, oil, natural gas as applicable, including the current rate structure. Billing history should include energy usage (eg. kWh, kW, Therms, etc.) and costs. Many utilities provide online billing and usage histories for their customers. Ask your account rep or visit your utility online. Once you have the records, your energy auditor will walk you through how to analyze these records for your baseline.

## Planning the event

An energy savings analysis normally takes about two hours. You will want to determine who from your congregation you want to be present. Please ensure that one clergy member as well as someone with an understanding of the faith community's building and grounds (including the heating and cooling system) are present. Please also invite one or more youth representative. Having a youth participate is highly informative on both ends and a great way to engage multiple generations in the energy efficiency conversation. One designated note-taker, to ensure that findings and recommendations are recorded, need to attend. The more people who are engaged in the process from within your congregation, the easier it will be for you to find the momentum and support to make needed changes.

We have also found inviting local churches to be a part of your audit to be helpful to your larger community and to you. Sometimes, collaborative projects can evolve that benefit everyone, and knowing who in your local area you can call with questions can be very useful. We can even help you locate others in your area that have either done an energy audit already or might be interested in one. Just contact us at [info@ncipl.org](mailto:info@ncipl.org). Once this form has been received, you will receive an email with a template invitation you can edit and use.

## Spreading the word

Because we believe in the importance of everyone doing what they can to conserve energy and move to clean energy wherever possible, we ask that you promote the energy savings analysis on your website and in your bulletins, and let us put you on our map on our website. Afterwards, if you realize any benefit from the analysis, we hope you will write up a little success story we can share on our website. We believe this is a great encouragement and model for others. We are gathering data of cost savings across NC, and might wish to publish our findings through our website, eblasts and brochures, and we hope you will let us include you in our study. Please let us know at [info@ncipl.org](mailto:info@ncipl.org) if you have any concerns that we should know about any of these requests.

- Please click here if you request us to keep your information confidential.

**Questions? Email us an [info@ncipl.org](mailto:info@ncipl.org).**

Please scan and send this form to [info@ncipl.org](mailto:info@ncipl.org)

or mail this form to:

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**Thank you for allowing us to assist you.**