

EMERGENCY WORKSHEET INSTRUCTIONS

All applicable sections of the Worksheet must be completed to fully document a Household's heating situation and eligibility for ECIP benefits, the type of crisis (Energy or Life Threatening), and the actions taken by the CAA to avert the crisis within the required timeframe.

To meet federal reporting requirements the CAA must assess the Household's Home Energy status at the time of Application by fully completing the Home Energy Status section of Worksheet.

1. General Information	
1.1.	CAA (agency name)
1.2.	Primary Applicant Name
1.3.	Telephone (Primary Applicant)
1.4.	HEAP Client Number
1.5.	Date of Standard HEAP Application (if applicable)
1.6.	Date of ECIP request
1.7.	Time of ECIP request

2. Status of Home Energy Service									
2.1.	Is the household disconnected (e.g. electricity, natural gas)?								
2.2.	Does household have a past due or shut-off notice?								
2.3.	Determine what (if anything) the household is using for heat. How is the household staying warm?								
2.3.1.	Does the household have an operable Heating System or Heating Source? Check "yes" if the Household has an operating Heating Source, such as a portable space heater, or an operating Heating System.								
2.3.1.1.	Operable means the Heating System or Heating Source is safe to operate and there is a supply of Home Energy for the Heating System or Heating Source.								
2.3.1.2.	"Heating System" means a permanently installed system that is used to heat the Dwelling Unit. A portable space heater is not considered to be a Heating System.								
2.3.1.3.	"Heating Source" means any device used to provide heat to a Dwelling Unit.								
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2.4.	Complete the table to document information about permanently installed Heating Systems .								
2.4.1.	How much fuel does the household currently have for their primary, secondary, and any other Heating Systems? Indicate the amount of fuel by checking the appropriate box/column for each Heating System.								
2.4.2.	Heats X % of home : Estimate the heating capacity of each Heating System by asking the Applicant how many rooms the Heating System heats. Example: Applicant says the wood stove heats two rooms; home has 4 rooms. The wood stove heats 50% of the home.								
2.5.	Is the household on autofill?								
2.6.	If yes, household is on autofill, when is the next scheduled automatic delivery?								

3. Type of Crisis

Check/select the appropriate box (i.e. **Energy Crisis** or **Life Threatening Crisis**)

Type of Crisis:	Check if Household:	Crisis must be averted within:
Energy Crisis	Has Heating Source or Heating System that is safe to operate, and a supply of Home Energy for the Heating Source or Heating System.	48 hours of certification
Life Threatening Crisis	Does not have an operable Heating Source or Heating System.	18 hours of certification

4. Fuel Emergency: Complete this section if the Applicant is experiencing a fuel emergency.

Ask the Applicant for information about their primary and secondary Heating Systems. The CAA will verify last delivery information with the applicable vendor(s).

- 4.1. Date of last delivery
- 4.2. # Units delivered
- 4.3. Fill (Did last delivery fill tank?)
- 4.4. Tank size
- 4.5. Fuel left in tank
- 4.6. Vendor Name (last delivery)

Indicate the name of the Vendor who made the last delivery for the primary and secondary fuel type. If the last delivery was made by a HEAP Vendor, call the Vendor to confirm the information provided by the Applicant.

- 4.7. Vendor Delivering ECIP

Name of Vendor who will make the ECIP delivery

- 4.8. Fuel Type

Indicate the type of fuel being delivered

- 4.9. Wood Type (if applicable). Indicate the size and type of wood requested.

- 4.10. **HEAP Balance:** Any HEAP funds remaining on an Applicant's account must be used in lieu of or in conjunction with the ECIP.

Balance: Call the Applicant's HEAP Vendor to confirm the amount of any remaining HEAP funds on the account. Enter the amount of any HEAP balance in the table.

HEAP Price: Ask the vendor to confirm the HEAP price per unit and enter it in the table. The HEAP price will be equal to the Vendor's cash price.

Units: The table will calculate/auto-populate the number of units that will be covered by the remaining HEAP funds.

- 4.11. **TANF Supplemental Balance:** Any remaining TANF Supplemental Benefit credits must be used in lieu of or in conjunction with the ECIP.

Balance: To determine the amount of any remaining TANF Supplemental Benefit credits:

- Review HEAP Cloud and MERAC Comments, which indicate the date the \$350.00 credit was issued to the Vendor and the amount MaineHousing has paid to the Vendor for any deliveries made against the TANF Supplemental Benefit credit.

- CAA will also need ask the Vendor to confirm the TANF Supplemental credit balance. Does the Vendor have outstanding invoices that have not been submitted to or paid by MaineHousing?
- Enter the amount of any TANF Supplemental balance in the table.

Cash Price: Ask the Vendor to confirm the cash price per unit and enter it in the table.

Units: The table will calculate/auto-populate the number units that will be covered by the remaining TANF Supplemental credits.

4.12. **ECIP:** When determining the ECIP benefit amount, the CAA must take into account the amount of any remaining HEAP Benefits and/or TANF Supplemental credits on the Household's account with the Vendor. Any remaining HEAP Benefits and/or TANF Supplemental credits must be exhausted – i.e. used to cover part or all of the emergency Home Energy delivery.

Cash Price: The per unit cash price.

Units: The number of ECIP units being purchased. Remember any units being purchased with remaining HEAP and/or TANF Supplemental funds must be deducted.

Delivery/Service: Ask the Vendor if there will be a delivery or restart charge for the ECIP. If the applicant has indicated their fuel tank is on empty the Vendor may have to restart the system or in the case of LP Gas a system safety check may be required.

Example: Household's approved fuel type is oil.

Verifications/Considerations:

- Household has not received any ECIP benefits in PY 2020.
- Household has not received TANF Supplemental Benefits.
- Vendor's cash price is \$2.98 per gallon
- Applicant has a HEAP credit balance of \$98.00. Vendor's HEAP price is \$2.91. HEAP will cover 33.677 gallons.
- The total amount of the emergency delivery would be up to the CAA's discretion. Options: 1.) 100 gallons (33.677 funded by HEAP and 66.4 gallons funded by ECIP) or 2.) emergency delivery of up to \$400.00 (HEAP \$98.00 + ECIP \$302.00).
- An emergency delivery of 100 gallons will be covered by:
 - HEAP: 33.677 gallons
 - ECIP: 66.4 gallons
- There will be a \$25.00 restart/service charge.
- CAA enters the cash price, units, and service charge into the table on Worksheet. The ECIP PO Amount will be auto-filled/auto-calculated.

	Cash Price x Units + Delivery/Service = ECIP PO Amount			
ECIP	\$2.980	66.4	\$25.00	\$222.87*

* DOES NOT include the dollar amount being paid by the HEAP balance.

4.13. ECIP PO #

Enter the HEAP Cloud PO number.

4.14. Date/time certified

This is the date and time the ECIP was certified and the PO generated.

5. Heating System Emergency: ECIP can be used for emergency repairs to the Primary Heating System when it's inoperable or unsafe.

5.1. System Vendor

The contracted vendor approved to make the system repairs.

5.2. Check the appropriate box describing the condition of the Heating System

5.3. Clean, Tune and Evaluate (CTE) Amount

5.4. Repair Amount

In most instances the vendor will not know what is wrong with the heating system therefore, they would not know the cost of repair. The CAA should take into account the amount of ECIP funds available and approve the purchase order for that amount.

Example: Applicant's oil furnace is not working, the applicant confirmed the tank gage is reading ½ tank. There are no other Heating Systems installed in the home and there are no Heating Sources available. The Vendor is unable to make a service call until the next afternoon. The CAA will:

- 1) Provide a space heater at a cost of \$98.63
- 2) Approve a Heating System Emergency purchase order for: \$301.37.

5.5. ECIP PO Amount approved

This is the total cost (CTE + Repair Amount).

5.6. ECIP PO #

5.7. Date/time certified

This is the date and time the ECIP was certified.

6. Space Heaters: ECIP can be used to purchase space heaters when the crisis cannot be resolved by a Home Energy delivery or Heating System repair within the required 18 or 48 hour timeframe.

6.1. Type of emergency: Check which type of emergency is being temporarily averted, fuel emergency or Heating System emergency.

6.2. Date fuel delivery or service will occur

What date will the fuel delivery be made or Heating System repaired?

6.3. Number of space heater(s)

How many space heaters are being provided?

There may be times when more than one space heater would be appropriate to keep the room at a reasonable temperature.

6.4. Model Number(s)

6.5. ECIP PO Amount

6.6. ECIP PO #

6.7. Date/time certified

This is the date and time the ECIP was certified.

6.8. Date/time space heater(s) provided

When did the Applicant take possession of the space heater(s)?

7. Utility Disconnect (electricity or natural gas): ECIP can be used for electricity and natural gas disconnection only if the Household's Heating System requires electricity or natural gas for operation.

- 7.1. Name of the utility vendor
- 7.2. Utility contact name
- 7.3. Date of disconnection
- 7.4. Amount of disconnection
- 7.5. Check the applicable factors:
 - 7.5.1. Heating will fail
 - 7.5.2. ECIP will remedy
 - 7.5.3. Broken payment arrangement
- 7.6. ECIP PO amount approved
- 7.7. ECIP PO #
- 7.8. Date/time certified. This is the date and time the ECIP was certified and the PO generated.

8. Eviction Emergency: ECIP can be used to prevent an eviction for Eligible Household's whose rent includes heat and who is facing eviction within 72 hours due to nonpayment of rent.

- 8.1. Landlord name
Verify the landlord's name on the legal notice of eviction is the same as what is documented in the applicant's file or in HEAP Cloud.
- 8.2. Landlord telephone number
- 8.3. Eviction date/time
The eviction date/time will be listed on the eviction notice.
This is the date and time the tenant is required to vacate the property.
- 8.4. Amount needed to stop eviction. Call landlord to verify the following:
 - 8.4.1. Is applicant still living in the rental unit?
 - 8.4.2. Have there been any payments made since the eviction notice was issued?
 - 8.4.3. What is the amount needed to stop the eviction?
 - 8.4.4. If the amount is paid and the situation is resolved, how much and when is the next rental payment due?
- 8.5. Will ECIP remedy?
 - 8.5.1. Check "Yes" if the ECIP amount available will stop the eviction and it has been determined the applicant will be able to make their next rental payment.
 - 8.5.2. Check "No" if the ECIP benefits will not stop the eviction or if alternative resources are required.
- 8.6. List amounts and sources of other funding used to stop eviction
If the ECIP benefit is not enough to remedy the situation and the CAA had to combine funding from other sources, list those sources.
Example: \$200 from KeepMeWarm
- 8.7. ECIP PO Amount
- 8.8. ECIP PO #
- 8.9. Date/time certified
This is the date and time the ECIP was certified.

9. Temporary Relocation: ECIP can be used to provide temporary relocation if the Eligible Household is experiencing a Life Threatening Crisis when the crisis cannot be resolved within the required 18 hour timeframe.

9.1. Check which type of emergency is being temporarily averted, fuel emergency or Heating System emergency.

9.2. Date fuel delivery or service will occur
What date will the fuel be delivered or Heating System repaired?

9.3. Name of the hotel/motel

9.4. Reservation #
This number will be provided by the hotel/motel.

9.5. Number of rooms
In certain situations an Eligible Household may need more than one room to accommodate the Household composition.

Example 1: If the Eligible Household is a family of 8. This may require 2 rooms.

Example 2: If the Eligible Household is comprised of roommates who are not related. They may want two separate rooms.

9.6. Expected check-in date

9.7. Expected check-out date

9.8. ECIP PO Amount

9.9. ECIP PO #

9.10. Date/time certified
This is the date and time the ECIP was certified.

10. Case Notes: This area can be used to document information pertinent to the ECIP instance.

Example 1: No HEAP remaining on account. Called HEAP Vendor, ABC Oil; they will make the emergency delivery within 18 hours with a \$125.00 delivery fee. Called Best Oil who agreed to make the delivery within 18 hours with no delivery fee.

Example 2: Called Applicant's fuel Vendor, confirmed the applicant has a HEAP credit balance of \$87.00. The Vendor is unable to make the emergency delivery within the required timeframe. A different Vendor was contacted and it was confirmed they can make the delivery within the required timeframe. An "urgent" waiver has been sent to MaineHousing for approval.

Signature/Date

The intake worker and certifier must sign and date the form.

The ECIP worksheet must indicate all methods used to avert the immediate energy crisis.

It would be appropriate in some cases to use two separate measures to resolve the situation. This would require the intake worker and certifier signatures and date for each measure used to resolve the emergency.

Example: The Household is in out of fuel and has no heat. The CAA is unable to find a fuel company that can make an emergency delivery within 18 hours. The Applicant's Vendor can deliver within 48 hours. The CAA will:

1. Issue a purchase order for the fuel delivery.
2. Provide the Applicant with space heaters.