

Urban Enterprise Zones (UEZ) Manufacturers Energy Sales Tax Exemption

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If You Are:

An Urban Enterprise Zones (UEZ)-certified manufacturer employing at least 250 full-time workers, at least 50% of whom are involved in the manufacturing process.

You Can Apply For:

An exemption from the sales and use tax for electricity and natural gas utilities, both the commodity and its transmission, consumed at the UEZ-certified location.

In The Amount Of:

The sales and use tax otherwise applied to the energy.

Benefits:

Energy consumed would otherwise bear the full prevailing tax rate. This incentive eliminates that tax for qualifying manufacturers.

Program Details:

- The business must be a manufacturer and must continue to employ at least 250 full-time workers, at least 50% of whom are involved in the manufacturing process.
- The business will file an annual application with the EDA and must receive tax clearance and pass a site visit.
- The sales and use tax exemption applies to only electricity and natural gas consumed at the UEZ-certified manufacturing locations and cannot be applied to oil or other energy supplies.

Fees*:

Division of Taxation Tax Clearance Certificate required. Certificates may be requested through the [State of New Jersey's Premier Business Services \(PBS\) portal online](#)

- Under the Tax & Revenue Center, select Tax Services, then select Business Incentive Tax Clearance.
- If the applicant's account is in compliance with its tax obligations and no liabilities exist, the Business Incentive Tax Clearance can be printed directly through PBS.

Please note: It is the applicant/client's responsibility to maintain a current and clear tax clearance certificate. If a current and clear certificate is not evidenced to EDA at time of closing, EDA will not proceed with closing.