

# Customer Consent to Obtain Energy Use Information

The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) works with partners to finance housing opportunities and revitalize great places for Maryland citizens to live, work, and prosper. As part of this mission, DHCD has a number of energy efficiency programs that assist in making Maryland homes and businesses more comfortable, efficient, and affordable.

**WHY WE NEED A RELEASE** – The building owner has requested assistance in funding energy efficiency improvements to help you reduce your utility consumption and costs. DHCD needs to compare the energy use before and after the efficiency improvements have been installed to better evaluate how effective these measures are in reducing your energy consumption

**Please provide the building information requested below:**

Name as it Appears on the Bill: \_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Building Service Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_ # Bedrooms \_\_\_\_\_ # Bathrooms \_\_\_\_\_

Gas Utility: \_\_\_\_\_ Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Electric Utility: \_\_\_\_\_ Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Fuel Supplier: \_\_\_\_\_  Oil  Propane Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Water Utility: \_\_\_\_\_ Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Utility and Energy Supplier and Program Information Release**

**ENERGY USE INFORMATION RELEASE** – As the account holder, I hereby authorize and give permission to the above named utilities and fuel/energy suppliers to release energy use information (including my name, address, account number, and use and consumption information to DHCD, and DHCD authorized employees, contractors and agents who require the information for confidential use in connection with calculating energy savings estimates and evaluating the effectiveness of the program.

**PROGRAM DATA RELEASE** – As a participant in a DHCD program, I hereby authorize DHCD to access my program data and release it to authorized program partners for confidential use in connection with calculating energy savings estimates and evaluating the effectiveness of its program.

**RELEASE PERIOD** – This authorization is for the period starting 24 months before the date below and ends 24 months after the date the project is complete. I understand I may revoke this authorization by written notice to Community Development Administration, Maryland DHCD, 7800 Harkins Road, Lanham, MD 20706.

**CONSENT** – I understand and agree that my account information (including my name, address, account number, use and consumption) will be provided to DHCD by the above-named utility(s) and fuel or energy supplier(s) for the sole and limited purpose of evaluating energy conservation measures. DHCD will protect the confidentiality of this information the same as it does for its own customer and other confidential information. By signing this release, I authorize the above-named utility(s) and fuel or energy supplier(s) to release my customer account and consumption information to DHCD and DHCD may release this information to authorized employees, contractors and agents. An electronic copy of this authorization may be accepted with the same authority as the original.

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

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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