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# **Submit Your Application! Space Is** Limited!

Don't miss this opportunity! Applications are now being accepted for participation in the E3 in FRP project. If you are interested and would like to know more, take a look at MnTAP's E3 in FRP website, or contact Jane Paulson at janep2@umn.edu or 612-624-1826. If you are ready to sign up, click here to complete an application!

## **FREE Training Event Coming Soon!**

The best practices yield the most profit. You paid for your raw materials, now make sure they end up in your product where they belong! Get your staff up to date on the best resin application methods. MnTAP has partnered with Composites One and CCP Composites and other partners to bring you a FREE training event. This event is for you, so give us some feedback on what topics you would like to learn more about:

### 1. Types of Training

- Operator spray training
- Resin metering equipment
- Non-atomized spray equipment
- Low styrene resins
- Closed molding
- Vacuum bagging and resin infusion

## 2. Length of Event

- Half day
- One day
- Two day

## 3. Type of Event

- Off site event
- I'd like to host an event for 25-30 people
- I'd like a private event just for my employees

#### 4. Comments or leave your email if you would like to be contacted:

Submit

## Did you know...

**Utility companies** offer rebates to their customers because offering rebates is a great alternative to the capital expense of expanding power plant capacity and paying for increased infrastructure maintenance. Everyone wins!

Rebates are available for a variety of projects. Plans to retrofit St. Luke's hospital with upgraded lighting estimated that rebates would pay for 19% of the recommended improvements. G &K Services upgraded their compressed air system. Rebates from Xcel Energy, and savings from the improved system paid for the project in 5 months.

Lighting and compressed air are only two examples of rebates that may be available from your local utility company. Utilities in Minnesota offer a wide variety of Rebates, Grants and Loans to upgrade your current systems. These funds are available for other improvements including: water heaters, forced-air heating systems, boilers, and steam traps just to name a few

What rebates do you qualify for? Energy Star considers the type of product you are purchasing and lets you search for rebates in your area. Minnesota Chamber of Commerce offers a look at the different financial incentives that are available. Try the Utility Rebate Finder by Energy Smart to find out what rebates are being offered by your local utility.

What about other projects? Companies like Minnesota Energy offer custom rebates for projects that save energy, but don't fit the criteria of standard rebates. Contact your utility company and ask about their rebate opportunities!

This is the eighth in a series of newsletters providing helpful tips on how to improve YOUR economic results, energy efficiency, and environmental impact! Stay tuned for the next newsletter with more helpful tips, and updates on the E3 in FRP project.

Let us know if you are interested in getting involved in the E3 project, and send us your ideas for future newsletter topics! Contact Jane Paulson, MnTAP Senior Engineer, at janep2@umn.edu. If you are not the appropriate recipient for this email or if you know of additional people who should receive this communication, please send their email addresses to mntap@umn.edu.

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