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# Federal Incentives

## **INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT**

Investments in renewable energy property qualify for an ITC. The amount of the credit is determined as 30% of the taxpayer's basis in eligible property (generally, the cost of acquiring or constructing eligible property). The tax credit rate depends on the type of property or technology being claimed.

## 21% CORPORATE TAX RATE

The maximum corporate tax rate of 21% will affect renewable energy projects which have, or are contemplating, tax equity investors. A lower tax rate reduces the present value of depreciation tax benefits, as well as reducing the after-tax costs of income allocations to each partner.

## 100% BONUS DEPRECIATION (ITC)

Especially advantageous for hotel owners with an upcoming PIP renovation, the 2018 Tax Bill initiates a 60% bonus depreciation on energy- efficient technology acquisitions in year 1 instead of spreading it out over 6 years, thereby reducing the payback period and allocating the upfront cost of a new investment over time.

## REAP (RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM) GRANTS

Hotels in REAP Zones, including the entirity of Puerto Rico, using renewable natural gas (RNG) are eligible for a 50% rebate up to \$1m for installing renewable energy systems and replacing inefficient equipment.

- La Quinta Inn and Suites in Danbury, CT received a REAP grant for \$25,081 to offset the \$100,325 two solar thermal systems.
- Super 8 Hotel in Bowling Green, KY received a \$72,900 grant to offset the \$291,600 cost to install a solar power system operating the hotel.

## **C-PACE LOANS**

C-PACE is the premier financing solution for all things sustainable. C-PACE is \$0 down, long-term financing based on the property value, not business or personal credit. For new construction projects or deep retrofits and repositioning, it can replace expensive mezzanine debt & equity. Generally, C-PACE has the best return of any non-recourse financing available.