NJ ZIP: Frequently Asked Questions



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Overview

The NJ ZIP pilot program is a first-come, first-serve voucher program designed to incentivize the adoption of zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles (ZE MHDVs) by New Jersey businesses and institutions, especially those operating within overburdened communities.

This FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions Document is designed to help purchasers, vendors, and interested parties, successfully navigate the NJ ZIP: Voucher Pilot Program for Medium Duty and Heavy Vehicles launched by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA).

The Rutgers Voorhees Transportation Center has partnered with NJ EDA for Phase 2 of this pilot program to run the NJ ZIP Help Desk. The NJZIP Help Desk provides comprehensive technical assistance on all things zero-emission vehicle conversion, including resources such as educational tools, factsheets, webinars, and more.

For further information, you can contact the NJ ZIP Help Desk via email at njzip-help@ejb.rtugers.edu or call or text at (732)790-0663 during normal business hours, 9AM-5PM EST.



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Application Process

1. How can I access the application?

You can access the application through the link on the NJ ZIP homepage, using the "Apply Here" button. Please, www.njeda.com/njzip

2. How can I create a login?

https://njeda.powerappsportals.us/en-US/Account/Login/Register?returnUrl=%2F

3. Who can submit applications?

A buyer may input whatever contact is most appropriate - either within their own organization, or within a third-party organization that is managing their application, if desired by the applicant.

However, the legal debarment questionnaire, application, and final agreement must be signed by an authorized buyer signatory.

- For a corporation, by a principal executive officer, at least the level of VP.
- For a partnership, by a general partner.
- For a sole proprietorship, by the proprietor.
- For a gov't entity, by contact person (administrator, manager, mayor, etc.).
- For other than above, the person with legal responsibility for the application

4. How long will the application be open for?

The application portal opened on April 18, 2022. There is not a deadline for applying; the portal will remain open until all the voucher funds are reserved, on a first come, first served basis, with set asides by location, business type, and use case.

5. Is there an application fee?

Yes. Buyers will pay a \$1000 application fee upon submission of their application, via either credit card or check. If payment is submitted by check, application review will only begin after payment is confirmed as received.

6. Do I need to pay the application fee?

If the fee creates an undue financial hardship on your business, you may apply for a fee waiver which, if approved by NJEDA, would reduce your fee by half (\$500). Undue financial hardship is defined for this program as follows:

- For a for-profit business, if the fee is greater than 0.1% of adjusted gross income reported on your business' most recent federal tax return (i.e., adjusted gross income of \$1,000,000 or less)
- For a non-profit business, if fee is greater than 0.1% of the annual operating budget, defined in the entity's most recent federal filing (Form 990) as Total Expenses (Box 18) (i.e., annual operating budget of \$1,000,000 or less)

Fee waivers are now accepted within the application. Once your application is submitted,

NJEDA will review the materials you uploaded. If you do not qualify for the waiver, you will be subject to pay the remaining application fee.

7. Can I make changes to my application after I submit it?

As a first come, first serve program, applicants are encouraged to submit applications that are complete and accurate when submitted, as a complete and accurate applications are necessary for review. However, NJEDA recognizes that there may be situations in which the application may need to be updated. Applicants' changes that do not impact eligibility, that increase voucher amount by 25% or less, or that decrease requested voucher amount are permitted, given proof of the accuracy of such changes is provided as acceptable to NJEDA. However, any requested change that results in an increase of the initially requested voucher amount by more than 25% will require submission as a new, separate application. This new application will be reviewed in the order received and must be submitted with an additional application fee.

8. How can I learn more about the program? Will there be webinars?

Yes, materials and recordings for past NJEDA webinars are below, and accessible on the right hand side of the main NJ ZIP website at www.njeda.com/njzip.

- Vendor: https://youtu.be/tYP6iReaZco
- Buyer/purchaser: https://youtu.be/r49mToLEzM4

Additionally, the NJ ZIP Helpdesk will be creating resources such as fact sheets and videos to assist you in your process. They can be found in the following site: https://vtc.rutgers.edu/njzip/

Approved Vendors and Vehicles

9. Is there a list of approved vendors?

Only Vendor applications received between the application window (October 18th and November 22nd) will be reviewed for consideration as approved vendors in Phase 2. Future opportunities to apply for participation as a Vendor in Phase 2 are not guaranteed. Approved vendors will appear within the application, along with the qualifying vehicles they currently sell. Approved vendors are also listed on the NJ ZIP webpage, under the "NJ ZIP Vehicles and Vendors" tab below Phase 2 Information at www.njeda.com/njzip.

The EDA is providing this list solely as a courtesy. This list is not a complete list of all potential vendors and only represents vendors who have contacted the Authority to be included on this "Vendors List". a vendor on the list in no way represents any sort of endorsement of any vendor from the Authority or any of its officers, employees, or agents.

A purchaser applicant will not be able to complete their application until a vendor and vehicle is confirmed, with proof of intent to purchase provided.

10. If my vendor is based outside of NJ, and has no NJ presence, can I still purchase a vehicle from them?

If a vehicle is being sold physically within the state of NJ, the vehicle must be sold through a New Jersey licensed dealership - that dealership would be your vehicle vendor.

If a vehicle is being sold directly from a manufacturer who has no physical presence for

sales within the state or a dealer who has no physical presence for sales within the state, they are not required to be licensed in New Jersey as a dealership. However, all vendors are required to register to do business in NJ, and will be required to provide plans for instate maintenance as part of the relevant voucher terms. Further, all vendors must be approved to participate as vendors in the program.

11. What does '12 months of experience' mean, as a vendor?

The manufacturer or seller must have twelve months of experience selling or manufacturing zero emission vehicles. This experience can be demonstrated by the Vendor through documentation such as: sales records, manufacturing records, business registration or company foundation documents, cached web history indicating eligible vehicles for sale or in development, public press releases, and/or relevant dealership agreements.

It is recognized that dealerships may have only recently begun selling zero emission vehicles but are selling vehicle from with the vehicle manufacturers who have more than 12 months of experience. If this is the case, demonstration of the manufacturer's 12 months or more of experience AND demonstration of the dealership agreement with the manufacturer are acceptable to meet this compliance requirement.

12. Is there a vehicle list?

NJEDA has provided the list of vehicles as a courtesy. Please reach out to the vendor associated with each vehicle record to ensure accuracy. The associated <u>vehicles list</u> can be found here: https://www.njeda.com/nj-zip-vehicles/

13. What vehicle types are eligible?

All vehicle types - trucks, buses/passenger transport, specialty vehicles (e.g., garbage trucks, ambulances) - are eligible for this program, given they fall within the Class 2b - Class 8 categories (8,501 lbs - 33,001 lbs, GVWR), and are registered and used in compliance with program agreements.

14. Can people request other vehicles not on the vehicle list from approved vendors?

Yes, if the approved vendor agrees, contact the approved vendor directly so that they can add your vehicle of choice to their product list and onto your application. The vehicle must fall into the eliqible Class 2b- Class 8 categories.

Purchaser Eligibility

15. Can I buy a vehicle for personal use under NJ ZIP?

No, NJ ZIP is only open to businesses and institutions in New Jersey for commercial, industrial, or institutional uses.

16. Is my organization eligible?

Given the organization is purchasing a new, zero-emission medium-duty vehicle and will operate and register the vehicle in compliance with the voucher terms and within the pilot

communities,

- Any New Jersey registered commercial or industrial business in good standing with the State is eligible.
- Any New Jersey institution in good standing with the State is eligible. As defined in the Global Warming Solutions Fund regulation (N.J.A.C. 7:27D-1.2), "institutional" means serving a non- profit or public purpose, such as a library, hospital, public school, institution of higher education, municipal utility, public recreation or cultural facility, or government entity. For the purpose of this program, public universities are not considered a state government entity. The term "government entity" includes local and municipal government entities, but for the purposes of this pilot, State government entities, such as NJ Transit or The Port Authority, are not eligible.

17. Is my community eligible for this program?

The program has expanded statewide, businesses and institutions in all NJ municipalities are eligible to apply. There is an additional Environmental Justice (EJ) bonus credit for overburdened communities in NJ.

18. What documents do I need for the application?

The following documents must be submitted by the purchaser to the vendor

- Proof of intent to purchase (signed quote or contingent PO)
- Any deviation from standard documents:
- Purchaser specific in-state maintenance plan
- Purchaser specific vehicle warranty
- Purchaser specific charging plan
- Vehicle Delivery Plan

The following documents must be submitted in your NJZIP Phase 2 application

- NJ tax clearance certificate, including registered to do business
- Minority-, Women-, Veteran- Owned Businesses certification (if applicable)

Proof of location in which you will be registering and primarily operating the vehicle

- Small business documentation (if applicable)
 - Staff Count, Tax documented staff count, as appropriate to company type: e.g., Federal 941, WR-30, etc.
 - Annual Revenue, Tax documented revenue, as appropriate to company type: Federal 941 and e.g., NJ-CBT-100 (Schedule A), Form-1065, Form-1040 (Schedule C)

19. Can I still be eligible if I work or live outside of NJ or an EJ community

Yes, as long as your business is registered to do business in NJ. The requirement for this program is that at a minimum 75% of your vehicle miles have to be driven within the state of NJ. There are no limitations to where the vehicle can be stored so long as the milesdriven requirement stipulated above is met. If you are applying for an EJ bonus, you are required to drive 50% or more of your vehicle miles within the (eligible) overburdened communities OR prove that your vehicle is registered to an address and is domiciled within these communities. NJEDA has the right to audit, requiring you to submit proof of compliance using such documentation as telematics, route maps, delivery histories, usage logs, etc..

20. Does my vehicle need to be registered to be eligible for this program?

Yes, to be an eligible vehicle, the medium and heavy -duty zero-emission vehicle (truck, bus, specialty vehicle, off-road, or otherwise) must be registered after voucher approval in New Jersey with the Motor Vehicle Commission to receive voucher funding.

21. I want to lease or rent out a zero emission vehicle. Am I eligible?

The original purchaser/owner of the vehicle is eligible for the voucher funds, and is the responsible party for compliance terms. As with all applications, a plan by the buyer to demonstrate operation in compliance with voucher terms (in this case, operation by the lessee/renter) will be required to be submitted with the application, and proof of lessee

Vouchers

22. Does this voucher cover the costs of charging infrastructure, shipping, taxes, or fees?

No. NJ ZIP vouchers are capped at 100% of the vehicle cost (not including chargers, shipping, taxes, or fees).

23. Do vouchers expire? How long do I have after voucher approval to get my vehicle?

Vouchers expire 12 months after voucher approval, at which point reserved funds will be returned to the voucher pool. A voucher may be renewed for up to one six-month extension if requested prior to expiration and will be granted on a case-by-case review.

If your voucher is approaching its expiration date and you are continuing in the program, Vendors should provide the following information on a per-Purchaser basis:

- proof of purchase that indicates date of purchase (e.g., an executed PO)
- documentation of anticipated delivery date range (e.g., shipment information)
- explanation of need for extension or second extension (e.g., source of supply chain delay)

This information should be sent to <u>njzip@njeda.com</u> within the month prior to expiration with the subject line "Voucher Extension Request – [Purchaser company] [PROD-xxxxxxxx]". Both the Vendor and the Purchaser must be included as email recipients. Signature will be required on extension approvals.

24. If I want to apply for a voucher for more than one vehicle, do I have to fill out a separate application for each vehicle?

No. An applicant may apply for multiple vehicles within the same application. Please note that if multiple applications are submitted, each requires an application fee to be paid.

25. What is the maximum voucher amount I can receive?

Vouchers are calculated based on the voucher amounts set by vehicle class, with bonuses in addition, as eligible.

On a single voucher, the amount is capped at 100% of the vehicle cost (not including

chargers, shipping, taxes, or fees).

On a per-applicant basis (utilizing EIN), the amount is capped at \$3M total.

26. What documentation is necessary to redeem the voucher?

In order to redeem the voucher(s), the Purchaser and Vendor must provide:

- Proof of registration of vehicle(s)
- Confirmation that charging plan has been implemented
- Confirmation that in-state maintenance plan has been implemented
- Proof of scrappage (as applicable)
- Any materials relevant to NJEDA's confirmation that the agreement terms have been upheld These materials are described further below:
 - Proof of registration of vehicle(s): Please submit digital copy or picture of NJ registration(s) for the incentivized vehicle(s). Registration should indicate the purchaser name, address, VIN, and registration type. Registration should be accompanied with proof of VIN, demonstrated through bill of lading, invoice, etc.
 - Confirmation that charging plan has been implemented: Please submit documentation that demonstrates implementation of plan. This documentation is dictated based on what was outlined in the original application. If a charging plan was not finalized at the time of application, the charging solution developed should be demonstrated. Documentation can include image of the charger installed on site; invoice for purchase & delivery of charger equipment; completed plan & any necessary equipment (i.e., adaptors) for accessing public charging; signed agreement at private charging location; etc.
 - Confirmation that in-state maintenance plan has been implemented: In the case the instate maintenance plan indicated actions that had not taken place at time of approval or were not documented at time of approval (e.g., training to purchaser or contracting with local servicing org), proof of same is necessary (e.g., training manual & affidavit the purchaser received training or is scheduled to do so, or signed agreement with local servicing org, respectively).
 - Proof of scrappage (as applicable): Picture of the scrapped vehicle, picture of the VIN, picture of the 3-inch hole in engine block, picture of the chassis cut in half, picture of the corresponding vehicle registration
 - Any materials relevant to NJEDA's confirmation that the agreement terms have been upheld, as applicable (e.g., if in-state manufacturing was claimed, if vendor training was provided, if applicant remains in good standing, etc)

In all cases, documentation of these compliance items must be to the satisfaction of the Authority. The Authority may determine, in its sole discretion, if alternative documentation is acceptable or if additional documentation is necessary. This documentation must be submitted to njzip@njeda.com with the title "Voucher Redemption – [Vendor company name] – [PROD-XXXX]" before the voucher expiration date.

27. As a vendor, can I redeem the vouchers separately if they are billed/delivered at different times?

Yes, you can submit for vouchers on a per-vehicle basis, redeeming the total Voucher Award in multiple disbursements, either for each individual vehicle or for multiple approved vehicles at a time, up to the total Voucher Award amount. Please note that all vouchers must be redeemed within the Voucher Reservation Term (6 months, or 12 months with extension), or they may expire.

The requisition form (a sample of which is included in the Sample Agreement, as Exhibit B, on the right hand of side of the webpage) will need to be populated each time a disbursement is requested along with the redemption request and associated documentation. EDA will review and confirm the request amount is valid and associated with an approved vehicle.

Costs and Incentives

28. What is an EJ bonus?

If your business is located in an overburdened community as defined by <u>Environmental Justice Law, N.J.S.A. 13:1D-157, (Law)</u>, you are eligible for a +10% bonus to your base voucher amount.

The full list of EJ communities as defined by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection can be found here:

https://dep.nj.gov/wp-content/uploads/ej/docs/overburdenedcommunitylist.xls

- Additionally, a map can be found here under the "Overburdened Communities" tab:
- https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/548632a2351b41b8a0443cfc3a9f4ef6

29. Can I get funding from other sources for the same vehicle?

In order to prevent duplication of benefits, the same vehicle may not be subject to other funding sources with the same purpose. This includes other State or Federal grant-style programs, such as the NJ DEP's Volkswagen Settlement funds or the US EPA's Clean School Bus Rebate Program, which have the same purpose and cover most if not all of the cost of the vehicle.

Federal tax credits and State sales tax exemptions are not considered duplication of benefits, as their purpose is not designed to reduce upfront cost and because they do not cover the total cost of the vehicle. As such, they may be stacked with NJ ZIP vouchers.

Chargers and related infrastructure are not eligible for NJ ZIP voucher funding and therefore may be covered by utility, State, Federal, or other grant funding.

30. I want to take out a loan / get financing for the remainder of the vehicle cost. Is this allowed?

Yes, loans / financing on the remainder of the vehicle cost not covered by the voucher is allowed. Institutions providing financing by utilize the vehicle as collateral for the loan by putting a lien on the vehicle. A financier placing a lien on the vehicle does not constitutes a sale, assignment, or transfer of the purchaser's interests in the Agreement as contemplated in the Agreement. As such, EDA would not have to provide consent.

31. What are the available bonuses?

In Phase 2, all bonuses are increased on a percentage basis per vehicle based on the base voucher amount; and bonuses can be stacked.

- Small business bonus: 25% for business with less than \$5M annual revenue or 25 employees
- Certified woman-, minority-, or veteran-owned business bonus: 4% per qualification
- EJ Bonus: 10% for small business applicants or municipalities who commit to drive 50% or more vehicle miles

in NJ overburdened communities for 3+ years.

- NJ manufacturing bonus: 25% for Vendors that demonstrate 25% or more of the cost of that vehicle is spent in New Jersey on labor for vehicle design, assembly, and/or manufacturing or cost of components.
- School Bus Bonus: 25% if applicant is purchasing a school bus

Case example: The EV vendor is a NJ manufacturer, selling (1) Class 5 vehicle to a womanowned small business. The original quote for the vehicle is \$210,000 pre-voucher, charging not included.

Voucher amount = (Base voucher x (1 + (Small business + NJ Manu. + Women-owned business)

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Voucher amount = ($75,000 \times (1+(0.25 + 0.25 + .04))
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Voucher amount = \$115,500

Upfront cost to purchaser = \$210,000 - \$115,500 = \$94,500 with voucher

32. What is a 'small business'?

Small business is defined by this program as a business with 25 or fewer full time employees OR

\$5M or less annual revenue. The documentation required includes:

- •Staff Count, Tax documented staff count, as appropriate to company type: e.g., Federal 941, WR-30, etc.
- •Annual Revenue, Tax documented revenue, as appropriate to company type: Federal 941 and e.g., NJ-CBT-100 (Schedule A), Form-1065, Form-1040 (Schedule C)

33. How can I learn more about being a woman-, minority-, or veteran-owned business?

Please visit https://business.nj.gov/pages/mwbe to learn more. NJ Certified woman-, minority-, or veteran-owned businesses are eligible for increased voucher amounts.

34. Will I need to pay sales tax on the vehicle? How much?

Legislation enacted in New Jersey in January 2004 provides a sales tax exemption for zero emission vehicles (ZEVs), which are battery-powered or fuel-cell powered vehicles pursuant to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) zero emission standards for the model year.

Find out if the vehicle you want to sell / purchase is exempt from sales tax and learn how to file for this exemption here: https://www.drivegreen.nj.gov/dg-sales-use-tax-exemption.html

Note: this list is updated regularly, but it may not reflect the most recent exempt vehicle list. If you have a new model that is not yet on our list of qualifying vehicles, we ask that you forward a copy of the CARB EO for that model to StopTheSoot@dep.nj.gov. Please use "EV/ZEV Sales Tax Exemption" in the subject line and include the EO as a PDF attachment.

In addition, if there is a unique identifier in the VIN that will help confirm a vehicle has an all- electric powertrain, please provide that information in the body of your email message.

Required Documentation

35. How can I download my tax clearance certificate?

https://www16.state.nj.us/NJ_PREMIER_EBIZ/jsp/home.jsp

36. How can I register to do business in NJ?

https://business.nj.gov/pages/register-your-business

37. What is a 'new' vehicle?

A new vehicle is defined as a vehicle which has never been sold, titled, or registered to a buyer. New vehicles may have mileage on them due to test drives and/or delivery mileage. Vehicle repowers and retrofits are not eligible for this program renter vehicle operation in compliance with voucher terms will be required during audits.

38. What is scrappage and am I required to do it?

Vehicle scrappage is not mandated by this program EXCEPT in the case that the new vehicle is replacing a vehicle model year 2009 or earlier. Vehicles that are not replacements (i.e., ZEV purchased are for new use cases or to expand a fleet) or are replacing a model year 2010 or later DO NOT have to comply with scrappage requirements.

For consistency with prior State programs, scrappage is defined within the DEP's VW Settlement funded grant program as "rendering the vehicle inoperable and available for recycle; at a minimum, to cut a 3-inch hole in the engine block and disable the chassis by cutting the vehicle's frame rails complete in half". Photographs will be required to demonstrate compliance with these requirements prior to voucher redemption.

NJEDA does not have any required or authorized locations for scrappage.

39. Is Buy America a requirement for this program?

No.

40. Are emission reductions from this program being tracked?

Yes. NJEDA will require reporting on the vehicles being replaced, as applicable, to calculate emissions reductions, in partnership with NJ DEP and to report to RGG

41. After the vehicle is delivered and the voucher is redeemed, what are the on-going reporting/compliance requirements for vehicle vendors and buyers included in NJEDA's 'right to audit'?

Purchasers and Vendors participating in this program must agree to comply with NJEDA audits during the voucher compliance term (at least 3 continuous years from vehicle registration), including but not limited to providing information and documentation of the following:

 Proof purchaser maintained registration of the vehicle in the State of New Jersey continuously during the Voucher Compliance Term;

- Proof purchaser annually operated at least 75% of vehicle miles traveled (VMT) in NJ
- Proof purchaser annually operated 50% or more of VMT within either the greater Newark or greater Camden area during the Voucher Compliance Term; OR Purchaser has maintained a registration address and domiciled the vehicle within either the greater Newark or greater Camden areas during the Voucher Compliance Term;
- Odometer reading from Purchaser;
- Vehicle maintenance information (if maintenance occurred, when it occurred, what the service was, and what the cost was) from Purchaser;
- Confirmation by Purchaser that NJ ZIP bumper sticker or placard is displayed on the vehicle;
- As applicable, annual fuel consumption or average range per charge reported by Purchaser;
- Continued support of warranty terms by Vendor;
- Continued availability of in-state maintenance services by Vendor;
- As applicable, Vendor provides driver readiness and education session updates and results, including at least session dates and durations, links (for virtual) or locations (for in person) of sessions, and session sign in sheets for participants (name, contact information, organization); and, in the case of training sessions, training materials; and, in the case of demonstration sessions, count and type of available vehicles present onsite.

VMT verification may be provided in the following ways:

- Telematics reporting (i.e., GPS tracking);
- Fixed route maps and associated daily mileage;
- Delivery/appointment/shuttle request/etc. history and associated daily mileage;
- Third-party tracking (e.g., battery supplier records);
- Use records that document daily use (purpose, distance, location).
- Alternative methods to prove VMT may be considered on a case by case basis.

The Authority reserves the right to request additional information not specifically listed herein, as needed, regarding compliance with Voucher Funding requirements. All documentation requested by the Authority to determine eligibility and compliance shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Authority in its sole and absolute discretion.

42. What happens if during an audit, I am not in compliance?

NJEDA maintains the right to audit post-voucher redemption. Staff will conduct audits to confirm that Applicant and Vendor self-certifications are accurate and commitments are upheld. In such cases where the audit reveals that the self-certification was not accurate or commitments were not upheld, NJEDA may require, as remedy, that the relevant portion of the funds be returned from either the Applicant or the Vendor as applicable and/or may refer these organizations to the relevant State agency for further investigation. Any intentional inaccuracies by an Applicant or Vendor in the self-certifications or failure to uphold relevant commitments by Applicant or Vendor may be considered by the Board in disqualifying the Applicant or Vendor from future contracting with or financial assistance from the Authority.

The "relevant portion of the funds" will be determined by EDA on a case by case basis, depending upon the nature of the non-compliance (i.e., for entity, for vehicle use, or for bonus criteria).

Additional Resources

Please see below for some quick links to help for reference throughout your application process, for any additional resources or references visit our website https://vtc.rutgers.edu/njzip/ or contact us at njzip-help@ejb.rtugers.edu.

From NJ EDA

NJ ZIP Phase 2 Vendor Webinar: Presentation outlining changes for vendors in Phase II of the program, eligibility, and application process

NJ ZIP Vendor Application Walk-Thru: Step-by-step screenshots of vendor application including documentation requirements, definitions, and more

<u>Phase 2 Information</u>: Eligibility & Compliance Requirements, Voucher Amounts, Application Process, Conditions of Funding, NJ ZIP Approved Vendors

NJ ZIP Phase 2 Purchaser Webinar: Presentation outlining changes for purchaser portion in Phase II of the program, eligibility, and application process

NJ ZIP Purchaser Application Walk-Thru: Step-by-step screenshots of purchaser application including documentation requirements, definitions, and more

NJ EDA Portals account/login: To access application portal

<u>Creating a Portal Account</u>: Walk through on how to create a portal account on NJEDA Application Center, how to navigate vendor invitations

NJ ZIP Vehicle List: Profiles for NJ ZIP approved vehicles, including prices and vendor contact info

Links for Eligibility Documents

<u>Applying for an EIN</u>: All for-profit and non-profit corporations, LLCs, LLPs and LPs must first obtain an employer identification number (EIN) from the IRS, an EIN is required for the NJZIP application

NJ Online Business Formation Portal: To start a new business in the state of NJ, or authorize a legal entity in NJ for your business in another state

NJ Business Registration Portal: For new businesses to acquire business certificate, registration is required to do business in New Jersey and to obtain Tax Clearance certificates

NJ Uniform Certification Service: Registration for Minority, Women, Veteran Owned Business certifications to qualify for bonuses

<u>Tax Clearance Certificate:</u> Portal to extract Tax Clearance Certificate for NJ Businesses MUST List NJEDA for application

Tax Clearance Certificate

To get a Corp Code: Corporation Codes are needed for business certifications

<u>Verify Business Registration Certificate Service</u>: For existing businesses, to verify the registration status of your business and obtain a Business Registration Certificate