



## Illinois Shines Announces Brief Application Pause

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On April 21, 2022, the Illinois Power Agency (IPA) [announced](#) the transition of the administration of the Illinois Shines Program from the incumbent Program Administrator, InClima, to the new Program Administrator, Energy Solutions.

To facilitate a smooth transition and allow the new Program Administrator to manage transition-related changes and make improvements to the Program, the IPA will be placing a brief pause on accepting Illinois Shines applications starting on **July 1 and ending on August 31, 2022**.

### The pause includes the following key takeaways for Program participants:

1. Submission of all Illinois Shines applications will be temporarily paused from July 1 through August 31. For more information on how the pause impacts Program applications or expected incentive payments, please contact your Approved Vendor.
2. During the transition period, your Approved Vendor (or its Designee) will not change.
3. Illinois Shines Part I applications for all project categories (aside from Traditional Community Solar) will be available and accepted for submission and review on September 1. The Approved Vendors complete an initial "Part I" application for solar projects to be part of the Illinois Shines program. This is then submitted to the new Program Administrator, who reviews and verifies the applications. All verified applications are submitted to the Illinois Commerce Commission for approval.
4. Due to the transition period, the processing times for Illinois Shines' applications might be slightly longer than usual.

During this transition period, the IPA appreciates the patience of program participants in the Illinois Shines program. The transition will enable the Illinois Shines to grow in scale and expand the Program into its vital second phase with changes envisioned by the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA).

### For Questions and Inquiries:

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