

# Niagara Mohawk Economic Development Program Evaluation



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Project Country 

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**For Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Economic Development Research Group worked together with Ticknor & Associates to conduct an evaluation of the effectiveness of Niagara Mohawk's Economic and Community Development Plan (ECDP). The evaluation focused on key program components:**

1. Energy Infrastructure Programs -- including capital investment incentives, industrial building redevelopment, brownfield redevelopment and power quality incentives;
2. Marketing Programs -- industry attraction and export growth;
3. Energy Efficiency Programs -- including special programs for investment in "empire zones" (enterprise zones), dairy industry, R&D and energy efficiency for industrial parks.

The analysis included a detailed survey of all program participants concerning their investment, job creation and other impacts associated with program participation. It also included development of a database system for tracking participant progress in achieving job growth and investment goals. The study team then developed a report for submission to state agencies, and made recommendations on how to enhance the Program in the future.

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