

TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

State Agency Energy Savings Program Executive Order RP-49

Relating to an electric customer education choice campaign, electric conservation by state agencies, and diversity of energy supply.

I. Energy Conservation Plan

A. Resource Efficiency Plan

The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement is committed to energy and water conservation, while maintaining work area integrity. The Resource Efficiency Plan will serve as a guiding tool or road map, and should be treated as a living document, continuously adapting to meet the needs of our customers as well as our agency needs.

Introduction

This Resource Efficiency Plan is a guide for the planning, budgeting and forecasting process within the area of energy consumption, and is a valuable tool in evaluating the merit of proposed energy saving projects.

Energy Management Process

The Finance Division of the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement leads the Energy Management Process.

They work as a team along with building management personnel to achieve efficient energy and utility related tasks. The Finance Division team works within this challenging environment in the following key areas:

- Energy conservation
- Facility equipment upgrades
- Computerized facility automation system controls

The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement's energy management team is responsible for the following:

- Approximately 12,470 gross sq. ft
- Employee education program
- Various personal computers, laptops, network printers, stand-alone printers, fax machines and other electronic devices and equipment

The Commission is a tenant agency and therefore has no direct control over energy use except what is contained herein.

The Lessor manages energy consumption in various ways. An Automated Energy Management System controlled by the Lessor operates the HVAC system. Coffee makers and space heaters are not permitted in work areas. All windows are sealed without the ability to be opened resulting in less wasted energy resources. Additionally, windows are tinted and/or have blinds to deflect solar energy.

The Commission is in a lease agreement until March 31, 2019, with an escalation clause. On each anniversary date of the lease, the total monthly cost of the resulting contract may be adjusted by changes in the Consumer Price Index reflecting percentage increases or decreases. Therefore it is within the Lessor's best interest to control energy costs.

The Commission is developing an employee energy awareness program, and will incorporate this education program into the new employees orientation training provided by their direct supervisor. Each employee is encouraged to monitor work areas and identify energy conservation opportunities, and is periodically surveyed for their input.

The Commission has purchased "Energy Star" electronic equipment in the past and will continue to purchase systems with this capability in the future. Also, many electronics have a sleep mode that is enabled and utilized whenever possible.

Program Objectives

- Efficient procurement and use of resources
- Promote and encourage energy awareness and training
- Reduce electricity use by 5%

B. Fleet Fuel Management

The Commission does not own any property that directly utilizes gasoline, diesel, or natural gas.

C. Quarterly Results

The Commission does not have access to energy usage records as detailed above. A measurable figure of energy savings cannot be calculated however it is estimated that the efforts presented in this Resource Efficiency Plan have reduced our energy consumption at least by the goal amount. By utilizing training, forethought, common sense, good judgment, and reminders, the Commission is able to limit energy consumption within our capacity.

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