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Chapter 187-1-1, entitled "Organization," containing Rules 187-1-1-.01 and 187-1-1-.02, has been adopted. Filed April 3, 1981; effective April 23, 1981.


Chapter 187-2-1 has been repealed and a new Chapter 187-2-1 of the same title, containing Rules 187-2-1-.01 through 187-2-1-.08, adopted. Filed February 28, 1993; effective March 20, 1983.

Chapter 187-1-1 has been repealed and a new Chapter 187-1-1, of the same title, containing Rules 187-1-1-.01 through 187-1-1-.02, adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Chapter 187-1-2 has been repealed and a new Chapter 187-1-2, of the same title, containing Rules 187-1-2-.01 through 187-1-2-.06, adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.


Rule 187-3-1-.02 has been amended by renumbering subparagraphs (b) through (1) as (c) through (m), and subparagraphs (m) through (q) as (o) through (s), and adopting new subparagraphs (b) and (n). Filed March 11, 1986; effective March 31, 1986.

Rule 187-3-1-.03 has been amended by repealing subparagraphs (f), (g) and (i) and adopting new subparagraphs. Filed March 11, 1986; effective March 31, 1986.

Rule 187-3-1-.04 has been amended by renumbering subparagraphs (h)6. through (h)11. as (h)7. through (h)12. and adopting a new subparagraph (h)6. Filed March 11, 1986; effective March 31, 1986.

Division 187-2 "Residential Conservation Service" containing Chapter 187-2-1 entitled "Master Record Rules" has been repealed. Filed March 10, 1987; effective March 30, 1987.


Chapter 187-4-2 entitled "Innovative and Enhanced Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program" containing 187-4-2-.01 to 187-4-2-.08 and Chapter 187-4-3 entitled "Institutional Conservation Program" containing 187-4-3-.01 to 187-4-3-.08 submitted October 6, 1993.

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Chapter 187-1. ADMINISTRATION.

Subject 187-1-1. ORGANIZATION.

Rule 187-1-1-.01. Organization.

By Georgia Laws 1983, p. 1739, et seq. the Office of Energy Resources was established and administratively attached to the Office of Planning and Budget.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-1-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-151.
History. Original Rule entitled "Organization" was filed on April 3, 1981; effective April 23, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-1-1-.02. Administration.

The Office of Energy Resources is administered by the Director, who is appointed by the Governor.

(a) The Office of Energy Resources is located at 270 Washington Street, S.W., Suite 615, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. (Telephone: (404) 656-5176.).

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-1-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-151.
History. Original Rule entitled "Administration" was filed on April 3, 1981; effective April 23, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5,
Subject 187-1-2. PROCEDURES.

Rule 187-1-2-.01. Definitions.

The following words and terms, as used in these rules, shall have the meanings hereinafter ascribed to them:

(a) "Director" shall mean the Director of the Office of Energy Resources;

(b) "Office" shall mean the Office of Energy Resources; and

(c) "Person" shall mean any individual, partnership, or corporation, association, governmental subdivision, or public or private organization.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-2-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-151.
History. Original Rule entitled "Definitions" was filed on November 13, 1981; effective December 3, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-1-2-.02. Purpose.

The Office was created by statute with the mandate of carrying out the public policy of ensuring energy conservation and efficiency, the wise management and development of the State's traditional energy resources, and the development and commercialization of renewable and alternate energy resources for the purpose of providing an adequate energy supply, economic prosperity and a safe environment for all Georgians. In order to fulfill this mandate, the Office monitors the State's energy situation, and designs, develops and implements programs and activities in four major areas: energy conservation, renewable energy resources, fuels management, and impact assistance.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-2-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-150.
History. Original Rule entitled "Purpose" was filed on November 13, 1981; effective December 3, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-1-2-.03. Adoption of Rules.

When, in the judgment of the Director, upon his own initiative or upon the petition of an interested person, it is deemed necessary to adopt rules in compliance with applicable Georgia statutes, the Director shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, the necessary rules. Actions
undertaken in the preparation of rules for publication, including notices, opportunities for
interested persons to present information, formatting and all other administrative actions incident
to rulemaking shall be as prescribed by the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-2-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-155.
History. Original Rule entitled "Adoption of Rules" was filed on November 13, 1981; effective December 3, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-1-2-.04. Contested Cases; Hearings; Decisions and Orders.

All administrative actions concerning contested cases, hearings, and decisions and orders
including, but not limited to, notice, record, intervention and rules of evidence, shall be
undertaken and carried out in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-2-.04
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-155.
History. Original Rule entitled "Contested Cases; Hearings; Decisions and Orders" was filed on November 13, 1981; effective December 3, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-1-2-.05. Judicial Review.

Any person who has exhausted all administrative remedies available within the Office under
these rules, any who is aggrieved by a final order in a contested case is entitled to judicial review
in accordance with the provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-2-.05
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-15.
History. Original Rule entitled "Judicial Review" was filed on November 13, 1981; effective December 3, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-1-2-.06. Information.

Any person desiring information about the activities of the Office or about specific rulemakings
or other actions under the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act may contact the Office at the
above address. Current information shall be provided and appropriate mailing lists maintained
for timely provision of future information concerning administrative actions, programs, and other
matters.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-1-2-.06
Authority: O.C.G.A. 45-12-155.
History. Original Rule entitled "Information" was filed on November 13, 1981; effective December 3, 1981.
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Chapter 187-2. RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION SERVICE (REPEALED).

Subject 187-2-1. MASTER RECORD RULES (REPEALED).

Rule 187-2-1-.01. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.01
History. Original Rule entitled "Purpose" was filed on January 15, 1981; effective February 4, 1981.

Rule 187-2-1-.02. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.02
History. Original Rule entitled "Definitions" was filed on January 15, 1981; effective February 4, 1981.

Rule 187-2-1-.03. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.03
History. Original Rule entitled "Preparation of Master Record of Suppliers, Contractors, and Lenders" was filed on January 15, 1981; effective February 4, 1981.

Rule 187-2-1-.04. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.04
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 28, 1985; effective September 17,

Rule 187-2-1-.05. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.05
Amended: Rule repealed and a new Rule of the same title adopted. Filed August 28, 1985; effective September 17, 1985.

Rule 187-2-1-.06. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.06

Rule 187-2-1-.07. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.07
History. Original Rule entitled "Enforcement" was filed on January 15, 1981; effective February 4, 1981.

Rule 187-2-1-.08. Repealed.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-2-1-.08

Chapter 187-3. SOLAR TAX CREDIT.
Subject 187-3-1. QUALIFICATION OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS.

Rule 187-3-1-.01. Purpose.

Act 1072 of the 1984 General Assembly establishes an income tax credit for the cost of purchasing and installing qualified solar energy systems. A 20% credit is allowed for solar water heating, active solar space heating, industrial and agricultural process heat provided by solar energy, and photovoltaic systems. A 10% credit is allowed for passive solar space heating systems. The credit is limited to $1,000. The law also provides that the Governor's Office of Energy Resources (OER) write regulations which describe specifically the materials and equipment which qualify for the credit.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-3-1-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. 48-7-29.2.
History. Original Rule entitled "Purpose" was filed on August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-3-1-.02. Definitions.

Unless a different meaning is required by the context, the following terms as used in these rules shall have the definitions set forth below:

(a) "Active Solar Space Heating System" means an arrangement of solar energy components designed to provide space heating which is thermally isolated from the conditioned space it is designed to heat. Active solar space heating systems may use water, air, or other liquid or gas to transfer heat. Systems commonly known as air collectors, solar wall heaters and thermosiphon air panels are included in this definition;

(b) "ASHRAE" means the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers;

(c) "Batch Solar Water Heater" means a solar water heating system which uses the same water container for absorbing solar energy and storing the solar heated water;

(d) "Collector Area" means the part of a solar system designed to receive and transmit incident solar radiation and retard the loss of absorbed long wave heat radiation. Examples of collector area include the array of cells in a photovoltaic system, the glazing area in a passive solar space heating system, and the glazing on a collector in an active water heating system;

(e) "Conditioned Space" means space within a structure which is thermally conditioned for human comfort, or for agricultural, commercial or industrial uses, and which is used on a regular basis;

(f) "Conventional Equipment" means that part of a heating, water heating, electrical or industrial/agricultural process system which would be required to supply heat, hot water
or electricity if there were no solar equipment involved, or which supplies a back-up capability should no solar energy be available;

(g) "Direct Gain System" means a passive solar space heating system in which solar radiation passes through south-facing glazing, enters directly into the conditioned space and is collected and stored by thermal mass which is located within the insulated shell of the building;

(h) "Glazing" means the transparent or translucent material which covers the collector area in active solar space heating systems, passive solar space heating systems, solar water heating systems, and some industrial and agricultural process heat systems;

(i) "Industrial and Agricultural Process Heat" means the thermal energy needed to operate industrial and agricultural processes in a non-residential setting; examples include heat for crop drying and steam generation for equipment operation;

(j) "Moveable Insulation" means specifically designed removeable covers for glazed areas in a passive solar space heating system, which reduce heat loss from the conditioned space during periods of low solar gain. Such glazing covers must have an R-value of 1.8 or greater and, when in place, create a reasonably airtight seal between the moveable insulation and the glazing framing;

(k) "Passive Solar Space Heating System" means a solar space heating system which uses the architectural and structural components of the structure as the collection area, storage medium and distribution system. Passive solar space heating systems must be designed to provide a net energy gain to the structure, and must include (1) solar collection area, (2) absorber, (3) storage, unless the system is intended for daytime use only, (4) a method of heat distribution, and (5) a heat regulation device. Direct gain systems, thermal mass wall systems and sunspaces are passive solar space heating systems;

(l) "Photovoltaic System" means a solar energy system which generates electricity directly from the sun's rays using semiconductor materials;

(m) "Recognized Organization" means the Solar Rating and Certification Corporation, the American Refrigeration Institute, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and the Florida Solar Energy Center;

(n) "Refrigerant Compression Solar Energy System" means a solar water heating system or active solar space heating system which uses a compressor to circulate a refrigerant, and which relies on the refrigeration cycle to transfer energy;

(o) "Site-built" means a solar energy system whose collector is assembled on or near the site of permanent installation, rather than in a remote manufacturing facility;

(p) "Solar Water Heating System" means equipment which directly collects solar radiation, converts it to thermal energy and uses the thermal energy to heat potable water for general residential use or nonprocess use in industrial, commercial or agricultural
applications. The solar systems used to heat swimming pools, spas, hot tubs, whirlpools and saunas are included in this definition;

(q) "Thermal Mass Wall System" means a passive solar space heating system in which solar radiation passes through south-facing glazing and is collected and stored by a thermal mass wall which is positioned between the glazing and the conditioned space. This term includes systems commonly known as Trombe walls, water walls and drum walls;

(r) "Sunspace" means a passive solar space heating system in which a permanently attached useful space, physically separated from the conditioned space, permits solar radiation to pass through glazing where it is collected and stored by thermal mass, and from which heat is delivered into the conditioned space by controlled natural and/or forced convection; and

(s) "Thermal Mass" means structural and nonstructural elements of a building, including materials such as masonry, concrete, water, brick, tile, rocks, and phase change materials, which store the thermal energy in a solar energy system.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-3-1-.02

Rule 187-3-1-.03. Qualification Criteria.

All solar energy Systems for which the tax credit is claimed must meet the following criteria:

(a) The collector area of the passive solar space heating systems must face within forty-five degrees (45°) of true South when permanently installed. All other solar systems must face within ninety degrees (90°) of true South when permanently installed;

(b) The collector area of the solar energy system must be able to receive direct sunlight for at least 4 hours between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. during periods of use;

(c) The solar energy system must have a useful life of at least three (3) years;

(d) The total annual energy contribution (considering any summer cooling penalties) must be positive, when compared to conventional designs;

(e) All solar energy systems must be designed and installed in accordance with the applicable State and local codes;

(f) All solar water heating systems for which the tax credit is claimed must meet the following criteria:
1. Batch solar water heating systems must have either moveable insulation for use when the system is receiving minimal insulation, collector area glazing with an R-value of 1.7 or greater or use selective surface materials on the absorption area;

2. Solar water heating systems must have freeze protection mechanisms, or must be designed for easy manual or automatic draining during periods of freezing temperatures;

3. The net collector area of refrigerant compression solar water heating systems must be no less than three square feet per 100 watts of nominal rated compressor power;

4. Until December 31, 1986, batch solar water heating systems must be rated, listed, and/or certified by a recognized organization for compliance with ASHRAE standard for system performance. This requirement does not apply to owner built or site-built solar water heating systems.

5. Until December 31, 1986, the collectors in all solar water heating systems except batch solar water heating systems must be rated, listed, and/or certified by a recognized organization for compliance with the appropriate ASHRAE standards for collector performance. This requirement does not apply to owner-built or site-built solar water heating systems;

6. After December 31, 1986, the collectors in all solar water heating systems must be rated, listed, and/or certified by a recognized organization for compliance with the most appropriate ASHRAE standard for collector performance. Solar water heating systems or combined solar water heating/space heating systems whose collectors cannot be tested as separate components under the ASHRAE standards must be tested under the appropriate ASHRAE solar water heating system standard. Tests of refrigerant compression solar energy systems must include specific measurement of the input power requirement. These testing requirements do not apply to owner-built or site-built solar water heating systems.

(g) All active solar space heating systems for which the tax credit is claimed must meet the following criteria:

1. All systems must be provided with a means to prevent reverse thermal circulation during periods of low solar radiation, such as at night, and with a means of insuring that unwanted solar heat does not enter the conditioned space when not needed, such as during the summer;

2. All active space heating systems using liquids as a transfer medium must be freeze-proof, or must be designed for easy manual or automatic draining during periods of freezing weather;
3. The net collector area of refrigerant compression active solar space heating systems must be no less than three square feet per 100 watts of nominal rated compressor power; and

4. The collectors in all active solar space heating systems must be rated, listed, and/or certified by a recognized organization for compliance with the most appropriate ASHRAE standard for collector performance. This requirement does not apply to owner-built or site-built active solar space heating systems, or to solar space heating systems, the collectors of which cannot be tested under an ASHRAE standard.

(h) All photovoltaic systems for which the tax credit is claimed must be designed to produce not less than 5 watts of electricity under peak conditions;

(i) Passive solar space heating systems include direct gain systems, thermal mass wall systems and sunspaces. To be eligible for the tax credit, these systems must meet the following criteria:
   1. Exterior glazing must have an R-value of 1.7 or greater, or have moveable insulation for use during periods of low solar insolation, except that sunspaces which can be completely thermally isolated from the conditioned space need not have glazing with an R-value of 1.7 or greater or moveable insulation;
   2. The system must be protected from unwanted heat gain in the summer by shading and/or ventilation; and
   3. Direct gain systems must be provided with thermal mass for heat energy storage, except that daytime-use-only applications, in which the solar heat is used directly and immediately, need not have thermal mass;

(j) Industrial and agricultural process solar heat systems for which the tax credit is claimed must have any collectors for which the ASHRAE standard for collector performance is applicable, tested, listed, and/or certified by a recognized organization for compliance to that ASHRAE standard. This requirement does not apply to owner-built or site-built systems.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-3-1-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A 48-7-29.2; Ga. L. 1984, pp. 715, 716, 717.

Rule 187-3-1-.04. Eligible Expenditures.

The following general provisions apply to all tax credits claimed:
(a) Only the costs of materials and installation of qualified solar energy systems are allowed. Other products and/or services purchased in conjunction with a solar energy system and which are not necessary for the operation of the solar energy system are not eligible expenditures;

(b) Expenditures for architectural or engineering services, designs or plans directly related to the construction or installation of a qualified solar energy system may be included in the cost of materials and installation;

(c) Only those expenditures made by the taxpayer are eligible for the credit. Materials, installation or funds for materials and installation provided by a federal, State or local government grant must be deducted from the total solar energy system expenditure before the credit is calculated. The remainder of the expenditure provided by the taxpayer's funds is an eligible expenditure. Any federal income tax credit or deduction claimed by the taxpayer for the solar system need not be deducted from the expenditure;

(d) Expenditures claimed for materials and installation of solar energy systems must be reduced by the amount or fair market value of any rebates, bonuses, merchandise, services, or other consideration provided to the taxpayer by the seller in connection with the purchase and installation of the solar energy system;

(e) Finance charges are not an eligible expenditure;

(f) The value of a taxpayer's own labor, or that of his or her immediate family, or any labor contributed without compensation is not an eligible expenditure. The taxpayer may, however, claim the tax credit for expenditures for materials used in building his or her own solar energy system;

(g) For photovoltaic systems, the cost of the following are eligible expenditures:

1. Photovoltaic cells which collect solar radiation and convert it into electricity;

2. Supporting frames, bracing, and foundations used solely for the photovoltaic system;

3. Electric wiring to the point of connection with the conventional electric system;

4. Power conditioning and control equipment;

5. Associated safety equipment, wiring, and metering devices;

6. Electric storage devices, such as batteries;

7. Reflective devices; and

8. Other connecting parts and components necessary for the operation of the equipment;
(h) For solar water heating systems, active solar space heating systems, and industrial and agricultural process heat using solar energy, the cost of the following are eligible expenditures:

1. Collectors;

2. Frames, supporting braces and foundations for collectors;

3. Thermal storage equipment used solely for the solar energy system. Where a single tank in a solar water heating system is primarily designed for storing solar heated water and it is also capable of heating water conventionally, the expenditure for the tank is an allowable expense;

4. Connecting pipes and ducts to the point of storage or connection with the conventional or auxiliary heating or water heating system;

5. Heat exchangers and heat transfer fluids;

6. Compressors and other system components dedicated for use in refrigerant compression solar energy systems provided that the performance of the system is significantly enhanced when solar radiation is incident on the collector and that the input energy constitutes no more than one-third of the total energy output of the system operating at conditions prescribed by the Solar Rating and Certification Corporation system test (whenever that test is applicable), and provided that the compressor is controlled to prevent operation at low ambient temperature or other conditions where the efficiency of the system is significantly degraded;

7. Control devices which regulate the operation of the system;

8. Freeze protection equipment including photovoltaics;

9. Shading devices to prevent overheating of air collector systems;

10. Insulation of the solar energy system needed to prevent unwanted heat gain or loss;

11. Reflective devices used to increase the sunlight falling on the collector area; and

12. Other connecting parts and components necessary for the operation of the system;

(i) For passive solar space heating systems, the cost of the following are eligible expenditures:

1. South-facing glazing, and associated framing and structural supports;

2. Thermal mass which stores solar heat, including the additional foundations, footings and supports needed to support additional weight;
3. Moveable insulation;

4. Fans, ducts and dampers used primarily for the movement of solar heated air;

5. Control devices which regulate the operation of the system, except that for conventional doors and windows used to regulate the operation of a sunspace, only 50% of the cost of these doors and windows is an eligible expenditure;

6. Shading devices used to prevent overheating; and

7. Reflective devices used to increase the sunlight falling on the collector area;

(j) The following items are not eligible expenditures for the tax credit:

1. Swimming pools, hot tubs, spas, saunas or similar devices;

2. Heat pumps, or any other electrical or fossil fueled appliance, except storage tanks in solar water heating systems designed primarily to store solar heated water, but which are also capable of heating water by conventional means;

3. Trees, shrubbery, vines or other vegetation used to provide shading for a solar energy system;

4. Wood stoves or masonry fireplaces;

5. Walls, floors and ceilings of an underground structure, except those walls and floors which are part of a sunspace system or storage wall system, or which supply the needed amount of thermal mass storage for a direct gain system;

6. Drapes or other indoor window treatments with an R-value of less than 1.8, or which are used on glazing which is not South-facing or which are used on glazing which is not part of a passive solar space heating system;

7. Glazing materials which have a total transmissivity to perpendicular sunlight of .69 or less;

8. East, north or west-facing glazing used in a passive solar space heating system;

9. Ceiling fans, whole house fans, attic fans and power attic ventilators, unless the fan or blower is located in a sunspace and is used to vent the sunspace;

10. Toys, novelty items, calculators and watches employing photovoltaic cells;

11. Land or excavation of land;

12. Solar cookers;
13. Direct current (DC) electrical appliances used in photovoltaic applications, such as refrigerators, televisions, etc. Direct current devices such as motors or pumps used in the solar energy system or used in the distribution of energy are eligible; and

14. Maintenance and repair costs; and

15. Solar air conditioning or solar cooling systems.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-3-1-04
History. Original Rule entitled "Eligible Expenditures" was filed on August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.

Rule 187-3-1-.05. Eligibility Rulings.

Any taxpayer contemplating installing a solar energy system and claiming the solar tax credit or any business dealing in solar energy systems and/or system components who is uncertain as to the applicability of the tax credit to a given product or material may petition the Office of Energy Resources for clarification of these rules. The procedures for petitioning are as follows:

(a) The petition must be labeled "Solar Tax Credit Eligibility Petition" and sent to: Director, Office of Energy Resources, Suite 615, 270 Washington Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30334;

(b) The petition must contain:

1. A description of the solar energy system, including any drawings, product literature or other graphics available;

2. A clear indication of the items whose qualification for the credit is in question; and

3. The name, address and phone number of the petitioner;

(c) The OER will respond in writing to the petitioner within 30 days of the date of receipt of the petition, stating the decision and the reasons for the ruling, which shall be considered a final ruling; and

(d) All rulings will be available to the public for inspection in the OER's offices upon request.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-3-1-05
Authority: O.C.G.A. 48-7-292.
History. Original Rule entitled "Eligibility Rulings" was filed on August 16, 1984; effective September 5, 1984.
Chapter 187-4. GRANTS.

Subject 187-4-1. QUALIFICATION OF GRANTS.

Rule 187-4-1-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in early summer 1993.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-1-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.

Local Government/Non-Profit Mental Retardation Centers Energy Conservation Grant Program.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-1-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from Stripper Well Settlement Agreement Petroleum Overcharge funds.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia" submitted on June 11, 1993.

Rule 187-4-1-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To implement energy conservation measures to conserve energy.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.04
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-1-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.
Local Governments funded 100 percent, and non-profits 50/50 match up to $3,800. Total allowable for each successful applicant is $3,800.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.05
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-1-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Local Government or Non-Profit Mental Retardation Service Centers.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.06
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-1-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

Eligible energy conservation measures are those which a) conserve energy (on a site BTU basis); b) have a simple payback of not less than one (1) nor more than fifteen (15) years. The payback period with calculations and the cost of the energy conservation measure must be provided.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.07
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-1-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.

Applications must be in this Office by 4:00 p.m., June 11, 1993. Fax Copies will not be accepted or considered for funding. Two copies of the application should be mailed to:

Local Government/Non-

Profit MRC Program

Governor's Office of

Energy Resources Suite 401

254 Washington Street, SW

Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-1-.08
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant" submitted on June
Subject 187-4-2. INNOVATIVE AND ENHANCED LOW-INCOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

Rule 187-4-2-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in the fall of 1993.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-2-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.

Innovative and Enhanced Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-2-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from Exxon Petroleum Violation Overcharge funds and Stripper-Well Oil Overcharge funds.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia" submitted October 6, 1993.

Rule 187-4-2-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To enhance existing weatherization programs with funds to serve underserved areas.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.04
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program" submitted October 6,
Rule 187-4-2-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

The agencies receiving these competitive grants will be funded with these nonmatching funds. The amount each agency receives will depend upon the amount of requests received. There will be a total of $972,681 available under this program ($700,000 from Stripper-Well and $272,681 from Exxon interest).

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.05
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-2-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Existing non-profit or public weatherization providers, as identified in the 1993 State Weatherization Plan.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.06
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-2-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

Funds will be awarded on the basis of identified documented need, quality of response to the Request For Proposal, and an identifiable strategy in the RFP for delivering the weatherization services to low income households.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-2-.07
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-2-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.

Applications must be in this Office by the close of business, on October 29, 1993. Two original copies of the application along with supporting documentation.

Low-Income Weatherization Program

Office of Energy Resources

100 Peachtree Street
Subject 187-4-3. INSTITUTIONAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM.

Rule 187-4-3-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in the fall of 1993.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "Purpose" submitted on October 6, 1993.

Rule 187-4-3-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.

Grant Programs for Schools and Hospitals and Buildings Owned by Units of Local Government and Public Care Institutions also known as the Institutional Conservation Program, or the ICP.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-3-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from federal appropriated and Exxon Petroleum Violation Overcharge funds.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia" submitted on October 6, 1993.
Rule 187-4-3-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To provide matching financial assistance to promote energy conservation and efficiency in buildings.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.04
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-3-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

Funding for energy conservation Technical Assistance Studies or the implementation of Energy Conservation Measures normally on a 50-50 basis. Total allowable for each successful applicant is 10% of total funding level.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.05
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-3-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Only non-profit or public schools and hospitals. Buildings must have been constructed on or prior to May 1, 1989.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.06
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "Eligible Recipients of the Grant" submitted on October 6, 1993.

Rule 187-4-3-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

Eligible energy conservation measures are those which a) meet the cost effectiveness test of simple payback of between two (2) and ten (10) years; b) the type(s) and quantity(ies) of energy to be saved with weighted adjustments; c) the quality of the Technical Assistance Report; and d) the potential for the use of renewable resources. For Technical Assistance projects, priority is based upon the energy conservation potential of each building.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.07
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-3-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.
Applications must be in this Office by the close of business, on April 1, 1994. Two original copies of the application along with supporting documentation.

Institutional Conservation Program

Office of Energy Resources

100 Peachtree Street

2080 Equitable Building

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-3-.08
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 26-5-122.

History. Original description entitled "Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant" submitted on October 6, 1993.

Subject 187-4-4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT\NON-PROFIT ENERGY CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM.

Rule 187-4-4-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in late 1993.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-4-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.


Rule 187-4-4-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.

Local Government/Non-Profit Energy Conservation Grant Program.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-4-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.


Rule 187-4-4-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from Stripper Well Settlement Agreement Petroleum Overcharge funds.
Rule 187-4-4-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To implement energy conservation measures to conserve energy.

Rule 187-4-4-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

Local Governments funded 100 percent, and non-profits 50/50 match up to $5,000. Total allowable for each successful applicant is $5,000. Total amount for grant program is $50,000.

Rule 187-4-4-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Local Government or Non-Profit Facilities.

Rule 187-4-4-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

(1) Eligible energy conservation measures are those which:
   (a) conserve energy (on a site BTU basis);
   (b) have a simple payback of not less than one (1) nor more than fifteen (15) years. The payback period with calculations and the cost of the energy conservation measure must be provided.
Art centers and senior centers will be given first priority due to requests made during the April public hearings for the oil overcharge monies, however, all local government and non-profit facilities are eligible for this program.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-4-.07
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-4-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.

Applications must be in this Office on or before December 15, 1993. The application should be mailed to:

Local Government/Non-Profit Energy Conservation Grants Program
Governor's Office of Energy Resources
2080 Equitable Building
100 Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1901

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-4-.08
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant" submitted October 21, 1993.

Subject 187-4-5. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CLEAN AIR VEHICLE CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION.

Rule 187-4-5-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in early spring 1994.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-5-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-5-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.
Scholarships for Clean Air Vehicle Conference and Exposition.

Rule 187-4-5-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from Exxon Settlement Agreement Petroleum Overcharge funds.

Rule 187-4-5-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To educate local government fleet administrators and officials about alternatively fueled transportation.

Rule 187-4-5-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

Local Governments fleet administrators and officials are eligible to have registration fees paid in order to participate in the May, 1994 conference.

Rule 187-4-5-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Local Government fleet administrators and officials.
**Rule 187-4-5-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.**

Applicants must be current elected officials or administrators within local governments who are in a decision making position regarding alternative fuels.

*Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-5-.07*

*Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.*


**Rule 187-4-5-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.**

Applications must be in this Office by 4:00 p.m., May 11, 1994.

Clean Air Vehicle Conference

Office of Energy Resources

100 Peachtree Street N.W.

Suite 2080

Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1911

*Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-5-.08*

*Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.*

*History.* Original description entitled "Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant" submitted February 10, 1994.

**Subject 187-4-6. LOW-INCOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

**Rule 187-4-6-.01. Purpose.**

In Compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in the spring of 1994.

*Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-6-.01*

*Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.*


**Rule 187-4-6-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.**

Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program.
Rule 187-4-6-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from U.S. Department of Energy and Department of Health and Human Services funds.

Rule 187-4-6-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To assist eligible low income families by making their homes more energy efficient; thereby, reducing their monthly utility expenditures.

Rule 187-4-6-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

There are 23 agencies eligible to receive these funds. The funds are awarded to each agency based on a funding formula which takes into consideration geographic area and number of low income households. There is $2,260,501 available in Department of Energy funds, and $2,267,550 available in Health and Human Services funds.

Rule 187-4-6-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Existing non-profit or public weatherization providers, as identified in the 1994 State Weatherization Plan.
Rule 187-4-6-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

Funds will be awarded to agencies identified in the 1994 Low-Income Weatherization Plan.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-6-.07
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-6-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.

Funds will be awarded to eligible agencies upon approval of the state's Low-Income Weatherization Plan by the U.S. Department of Energy.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-6-.08
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Subject 187-4-7. LOW-INCOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN PROGRAM.

Rule 187-4-7-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in May of 1994.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-7-.01
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-7-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.


Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-7-.02
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
Rule 187-4-7-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from funds made available by the Atlanta Gas Light Company.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-7-.03
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia" submitted May 16, 1994.

Rule 187-4-7-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To assist eligible low income families by making their homes more energy efficient; thereby, reducing their monthly utility expenditures.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-7-.04
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-7-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

There are approximately 21 agencies eligible to receive these funds. The funds are awarded to each agency based on the number of Atlanta Gas Light Company customers in their area. There will be $50,000 available for this program.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-7-.05
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-7-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Existing non-profit or public weatherization providers, as identified in the 1993 State Weatherization Plan.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-7-.06
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.

Rule 187-4-7-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

Funds will be awarded to agencies identified in the 1994 Low-Income Weatherization Plan.
Rule 187-4-7-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.

Funds will be awarded to eligible agencies upon availability of funds.

Rule 187-4-8-.01. Purpose.

In compliance with the "Fair and Open Grants" Article of the "Budget Accountability and Planning Act of 1993," following is the information on a grant program being implemented in July of 1994.

Rule 187-4-8-.02. The Name of the Grant Program.

Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program (Georgia Power Company's Integrated Resource Plan - Low Income Program).

Rule 187-4-8-.03. The Citation to Statutory Basis for the Grant Program in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated or Other General Law of the State of Georgia.

Funded from funds made available by the Georgia Power Company.
Rule 187-4-8-.04. The General Scope and Purpose of the Grant Program.

To assist eligible low income families by making their homes more energy efficient; thereby, reducing their monthly utility expenditures, and making them aware of opportunities to reduce energy consumption.

Rule 187-4-8-.05. General Terms and Conditions of the Grant.

There are approximately 21 agencies eligible to receive these funds. The agencies can use these funds only on Georgia Power Company eligible households. Each agency will receive funds based on their ability to meet specific goals. There will be approximately $5.5 million available for this program.

Rule 187-4-8-.06. Eligible Recipients of the Grant.

Existing non-profit or public weatherization providers, as identified in the 1994 State Weatherization Plan.

Rule 187-4-8-.07. The Criteria for the Award of the Grant.

Funds will be awarded to agencies identified in the 1994 Low-Income Weatherization Plan.
Rule 187-4-8-.08. Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant.

Funds will be awarded to eligible agencies upon availability of funds.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 187-4-8-.08
Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 28-5-122.
History. Original description entitled "Directions and Deadlines for Applying for Such Grant" submitted June 9, 1994.