

**PROSPECTUS - ALTERATION
ENERGY AND WATER RETROFIT AND CONSERVATION MEASURES PROGRAM
VARIOUS BUILDINGS**

Prospectus Number: PEW-2010

Program Summary

This alteration prospectus proposes the implementation of energy and water retrofit and conservation measures in Government-owned buildings during fiscal year 2010. Projects to be accomplished in Federal buildings throughout the country are currently being identified through surveys and studies. The projects to be funded will have positive savings-to-investment ratios, will provide reasonable payback periods, and may generate rebates and savings from utility companies and incentives from grid operators. Projects will vary in size, by location, and by delivery method. This prospectus requests authority to fund energy and water retrofit work. The authority requested in this prospectus is for a diverse set of retrofit projects with engineering solutions to reduce energy or water consumption and/or costs.

Justification:

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109-58) required a 2% energy usage reduction as measured in BTU/GSF per year from 2006 through 2015 over a 2003 baseline. Additionally, this act sets a mandate to install advanced meters for electricity in all buildings by 2012. Guidance issued by the Department of Energy pursuant to this requirement states that savings anticipated from advanced metering can range from 2% to 45% annually when used in combination with continuous commissioning efforts. Executive Order 13423 on Strengthening Environmental, Energy and Transportation Management was, concerning energy consumption reduction, incorporated into law as the energy independence and Security Act of 2007. The Executive Order also established a water reduction mandate of 2% per year based on a 2007 baseline as measured in gallons/gsf.

By the year 2015, all Federal agencies are directed to reduce overall energy use in federally operated buildings they operate by 30 percent from 2003 levels and reduce overall water use by 16 percent from 2007 levels. Increased energy and water efficiency in buildings and operations will require capital investment for changes and modifications to physical systems which consume energy and water.

In addition, the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 included provisions that exceed the requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. One such long-term requirement is to eliminate fossil fuel-generated energy consumption in new and renovated Federal buildings by FY 2030 by achieving targeted reductions beginning with projects designed in FY 2010. Other shorter-term measures include increasing the use of solar hot water heating (to 30%); installation of advanced meters for water and gas (previously only electricity was covered); and broader application of energy efficiency in all major renovations. Approval of this FY 2010 request will enable GSA to continue to provide leadership in energy/water conservation and efficiency to both the public and private sectors.

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Authorization Requested.....\$20,000,000

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- Upgrading heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning (HVAC) systems with new high efficiency systems including the installation of energy management control systems.
- Altering constant volume air distribution systems to variable air flow systems by the addition of variable air flow boxes, fan volume control dampers, and related climatic controls.
- Installing building automation control systems, such as night setback thermostats and time clocks, to control HVAC systems.
- Installing automatic occupancy light controls, lighting fixture modifications and associated wiring to reduce the electrical consumption per square foot through the use of higher efficiency lamps and use of non-uniform task lighting design.
- Installing new or modifying existing temperature control systems.
- Replacing electrical motors with multi-speed or variable-speed motors.
- Insulating roofs, pipes, HVAC duct work, and mechanical equipment.
- Installing and caulking storm windows and doors to prevent the passage of air and moisture through the building envelope.
- Providing advanced metering projects which enable building managers to better monitor and optimize energy performance.
- Providing and implementing water conservation projects.
- Providing renewable projects including photovoltaic systems, solar hot water systems, and wind turbines.
- Providing distributed generation systems.

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Certification of Need:


It has been determined that the practical solution to achieving the identified building energy and water management goals is to proceed with the energy and water retrofit work indicated above.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on June 11, 2009

Recommended:


Acting Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:


Acting Administrator, General Services Administration