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Information Source	**Location**
Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Network	www.eren.doe.gov
The Office of Building Technology, State and Community Programs (BTS)	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings
Office of State and Community Programs (OSCP)	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community
OSCP Overview, Organization, and Contacts	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/mission.html
State Energy Program	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/sep.html
Municipal Energy Management Program	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/memp.html
SAGA - WinSAGA	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/saga.html
Conservation Update	www.eren.doe.gov/events/cu
Blazing the Energy Trail: The Municipal Energy Management Program	www.eren.doe.gov/cities_counties/blazing.html
Energy Solutions for Cities and Counties	www.eren.doe.gov/cities_counties
National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)	www.naseo.org/default.htm
Public Technology Inc. (PTI)	pti.nw.dc.us
Code of Federal Regulations	www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/sep.html www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html www.pr.doe.gov/faregs.html
Regional Support Office Directory	www.eren.doe.gov/rso.html
Atlanta Regional Support Office	www.eren.doe.gov/aro
Boston Regional Support Office	www.eren.doe.gov/bro
Chicago Regional Support Office	www.eren.doe.gov/cro
Philadelphia Regional Support Office	www.eren.doe.gov/pro
Seattle Regional Support Office	www.eren.doe.gov/sro
Denver Regional Support Office	www.eren.doe.gov/dro
Golden Field Office	www.eren.doe.gov/golden/go.html

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This chapter provides additional, on-line sources of information about the SEP. All of the information sources listed can be accessed through the Web sites of the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Network (EREN) and the Office of Building Technology State and Community Programs.

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Network (EREN)

As a primary component of DOE's Customer Service Center, EREN is a comprehensive resource for energy efficiency and renewable energy information. The site provides information and technical assistance on many energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies and links to DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EE) programs and offices. From EREN's home page, the user can link to:

- U.S. Department of Energy.
- Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.
- Office of Building Technology State and Community Programs.
- Federal Energy Management Program.
- Office of Industrial Technologies.
- Office of Transportation Technologies.
- Office of Utility Technologies.
- Golden Field Office.
- Regional Support Offices

The EREN Web site address is: *www.eren.doe.gov*

The Office of Building Technology, State and Community Programs (BTS)

The BTS Web site provides information about technologies, practices, and programs that promote energy efficiency and renewable energy for residential and commercial buildings. The site provides information for homeowners, commercial building owners and operators, builders, designers, researchers, program partners, and public officials. It links to sites with information on energy-efficient buildings, appliances, and windows; energy-saving tips; Energy Star (EPA) products; building energy data; energy software tools; and rules, codes and standards.
The BTS Web site address is: *www.eren.doe.gov/buildings*

The Office of State and Community Programs

The Office of State and Community Programs (OSCP) Web site provides detailed information about the OSCP mission, its programs and staff members, and links to other Internet sites that contain information directly related to the OSCP mission and programs. You can visit the OSCP Web site at *www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community*.

The OSCP home page links to the following SEP-related sites.

- **OSCP Overview, Organization and Contacts—**This site contains a copy of OSCP's mission statement and a list of contacts for the Office of the Director, Program Operations Team, Program Planning and Development Team, and Performance Metrics Team.
  www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/mission.html

- **State Energy Program—**This site provides an overview of the State Energy Program and links to related sites, including: SEP program projects, SEP special projects, the Code of Federal Regulations, the National Association of State Energy Officials, and the *Conservation Update*. BTS plans to post the *State Energy Program Operations Manual* on its SEP web site where it can be updated as needed. For the most current version of the *Manual*, visit SEP's web site at *www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/sep.html*

- **The Municipal Energy Management Program** (MEMP)**—**This site describes MEMP and highlights MEMP's accomplishments. It also provides a contact for information on program operations and procedures for grant applications.
  www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/memp.html

- **SAGA—**This site provides information about the Systems Approach to Grants Administration, the current status of WinSAGA, and the suggested hardware configuration for WinSAGA.
  www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/saga.html

Other Resources

The Other Resources link on the OSCP Home Page provides a list of links to other sites related to OSCP activities. These links include:

- ***Conservation Update—***The *Conservation Update* is a monthly newsletter published by DOE that highlights the current energy conservation and renewable energy efforts by States, territories, RSOs, and national laboratories. The purpose of *Conservation Update* is to facilitate the transfer of current SEP program techniques and technological information to the States and territories. A directory of all issues is available on EREN.
  www.eren.doe.gov/events/cu

- **Regional Support Office Directory—**Representatives at the DOE Regional Support Offices answer questions about the State Energy Program and can provide assistance with the application process. A list of the RSOs can be found in Table 5 on page 3-10. An on-line list of DOE RSOs can be found on EREN.
  www.eren.doe.gov/rso.html

- **Blazing the Energy Trail: The Municipal Energy Management Program**—A brief description of the Urban Consortium Energy Task Force (UCETF) is provided at this site with an example of one of its resource conservation demonstration projects. *www.eren.doe.gov/cities_counties/blazing.html*

- **Energy Solutions for Cities and Counties—**This is an on-line collection of documents providing information about projects that serve as models for demonstrating practical methods for achieving energy savings implemented by specific cities and counties.
  www.eren.doe.gov/cities_counties

- **National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)—**This site provides an overview of NASEO and the latest energy news, events, and issues. It also provides a directory of State members, their Web sites, and a directory of affiliates and their Web sites. In addition, the NASEO site provides links to other energy-related associations, centers, and institutes; DOE offices, national laboratories, and facilities; energy conferences; and energy information resources.
  www.naseo.org/default.htm

- **Public Technology Inc. (PTI)—**PTI is a nonprofit technology research, development, and commercialization organization for all U.S. cities and counties. This site provides a list of members, daily technology news, government links, publications, and a calendar of events.
  pti.nw.dc.us

Code of Federal Regulations

The *Code of Federal Regulations* establishes the guidelines for the State Energy Program. Several sites provide access to on-line versions including:

- The SEP Home Page at
  www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/state_and_community/sep.html
- The National Archives and Records Administration at
  www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html
- DOE Financial Assistance Regulatory Information and Guidance Page at
  www.pr.doe.gov/faregs.html

The DOE Financial Assistance Regulatory Information and Guidance Page provides access to the rules published in the *Federal Register* that govern the SEP. This link allows you to search for specific rulings by CFR title, volume, or by keyword.

Regional Support Offices

The Atlanta Regional Support Office (ARSO) is responsible for energy efficiency and renewable energy activities in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and territories of the U.S. Virgin Islands. The ARSO helps the southeastern States with EE project management and technology deployment and provides a liaison for EE programs. Its Web site, currently under construction, will provide a directory for ARSO staff and information on meetings, conferences, research, and development. For more information contact the ARSO at 730 Peachtree St., NE, Suite 876, Atlanta, GA 30308. Phone: (404) 347-2696. For a list of current RSO Web sites visit:
www.eren.doe.gov/aro

The Boston Regional Support Office (BRSO) primarily assists DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. EE develops and directs programs to promote the adoption of cost-effective renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. The BRSO provides DOE support for Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont. This Web site describes the services provided by the BRSO, its priority programs and project activities, and provides links for program contacts and other regional resources.
www.eren.doe.gov/bro/

The Chicago Regional Support Office (CRSO) is one of six regional branches of DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. Their mission is to assist states, communities, businesses, and building and homeowners in developing and using energy-efficient technologies and practices and renewable energy sources. The CRSO provides DOE support to Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin. This Web site describes the CRSO and what they do, and provides contacts and a directory for CRSO staff. The site also provides regional updates and links to regional resources.
www.eren.doe.gov/cso

The Denver Regional Support Office (DRSO) helps states, communities, industries, and other key customers make better use of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies. The DRSO provides DOE support to Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming. DRSO's Web site defines its mission and services, and also provides a staff directory, information on regional issues by state, and links to regional resources.
www.eren.doe.gov/dro

The Philadelphia Regional Support Office (PRSO) helps manage EE programs in the mid-Atlantic region, specifically, the States of Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. The PRSO serves to communicate to its customers an awareness of technologies, funds leveraging, information gathering/dissemination, and shared cost savings available through partnerships with DOE end-use sectors and State Energy Offices. Its Web site, currently under construction, will provide users with a PRSO staff directory, information on end-use programs, links to other EE related sites, and information about current activities and program developments. For more information contact the PRSO at 1880 JFK Blvd., Suite 501, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Phone: (215) 656-6950. For a list of current RSO Web sites visit:
www.eren.doe.gov/pro

The Seattle Regional Support Office (SRSO) provides assistance to the western United States in applying for Federal grants for EE programs and assists in the administration of those programs. The States served by the SRSO include Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, the Commonwealth of North Marianas, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. Its Web site is currently under construction. For more information contact the SRSO at 800 Fifth Ave., Suite 3950, Seattle, WA 98104. Phone: (206) 553-1004 Fax: (206) 553-2200. For a list of current RSO Web sites visit:
www.eren.doe.gov/sro

Golden Field Office

As the primary field agent for DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, the Golden Field Office (GFO) serves as a catalyst for partnerships between DOE, its laboratories, and the private sector. In conjunction with EE's six RSOs, GFO works directly with industry, academia, and the States in cost-shared partnerships to further the development and commercialization of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies. The information provided on the site describes the services GFO provides and identifies contracting and grant opportunities available through GFO, the RSOs, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory.
www.eren.doe.gov/golden/go.html