

No-cost Technical Assistance Opportunities

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Overview

SECO offers no-cost energy expertise to public entities through two methods:

1. Preliminary Energy Assessments

2. Technical Assistance

Recipients

- **Only public entities may apply for Technical Assistance from SECO**
- **Most common recipients include:**
 - School districts
 - Cities/ municipalities
 - State agencies



1. Preliminary Energy Assessments (PEAs)

- **Details recommendations for cost-effective resource efficiency measures to reduce utility consumption/costs**
- **Includes:**
 - **Analysis of utility bills**
 - **Recommended maintenance procedures**
 - **Informal on-site training for maintenance staff**
 - **Follow-up visits to assist with implementation of recommendations**
 - **Development of an overall energy management policy**
 - **Facility benchmarking using ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager**

PEA Process

Public Entity submits application form for SECO's review

SECO assigns Public Entity to an authorized third-party engineering firm

Engineering firm completes energy performance analysis using utility bills and reports findings

Public Entities may receive an on-site inspection if significant energy-savings potential is identified

Engineering firm completes and shares Preliminary Energy Assessment report with Public Entity and SECO

Preliminary Energy Assessment Service Request Form

Form# 50-852



Public Entity Name		Telephone	
Contact Person		Title	
Email Address		County	
Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Mailing Address	City	State	ZIP Code

Preliminary Energy Assessment Service Eligibility

The State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) provides free preliminary energy assessments (PEAs) for existing public facilities and infrastructure. Eligible entities include municipal and county governments, public school districts, county hospitals, port authorities, major airports, public water authorities and municipally owned utilities. Leased or rented facilities and infrastructure are not eligible for this service.

Principles of Agreement

By submitting this request form, the entity listed above must agree to:

- select a contact person to work with SECO and its designated contractor to establish an energy policy and set realistic energy efficiency goals;
- allow SECO's designated contractor to provide walk-through assessments of selected facilities;
- schedule a time for SECO's designated contractor to make a presentation on the assessment findings to key decision-makers;
- consider implementing the PEA's energy savings recommendations; and
- allow SECO to post portions of this report on its website

Additional Questions

Has this organization used SECO's technical assistance or PEA services in the past?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Is the primary contact for this PEA familiar with SECO's LoanSTAR revolving loan program?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Has this organization used SECO's LoanSTAR revolving loan program in the past?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No

Signature

This agreement must be signed by your organization's chief executive officer or other signing authority.

Signature	Date
Print Name	Title

PEA Application



PEA Information Website



2. Technical Assistance for Local Governments

- Provided to political subdivisions in Texas
- Broad range of services provided by third-party engineering firms:
 - ENERGY STAR certification
 - Improve Maintenance and Operations
 - Lighting Upgrades
 - HVAC / Chiller / Boiler Upgrades
 - Building Control Update
 - And more!

TA for Local Governments Process

Local Government submits application form for SECO's review

SECO assigns Local Government to an authorized third-party engineering firm

Engineering firm completes energy performance analysis/consultation based on the needs of the Local Government

Local Government may receive an on-site inspection if applicable

Engineering firm completes and shares Assessment report with Local Government and SECO

**Technical Assistance
Service Request Form**
Form# 50-855

PRINT FORM RESET FORM



<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
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<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
<i>Contact Person</i>		<i>Title</i>	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
<i>Email Address</i>		<i>County</i>	
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<i>Mailing Address</i>		<i>City</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
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Description of Technical Assistance Needs

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TA for Local Governments Application



TA Information Website

Technical Assistance Questions?

Thank you!

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