



**CREDIT UNION DEPARTMENT
STATE OF TEXAS**

**QUARTERLY UPDATE ON
ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN**

April 1, 2013

The Credit Union Department (the Department) is a small agency with one part-time and nine full-time employees headquartered in a 4,182 square foot building. Utility consumption consists of electricity, water, wastewater, and sewage. Because it is used for heating, as well as cooling, electricity is the largest utility bill.

The agency has implemented many conservation measures, including setting the heating and cooling temperatures to reduce usage, installing solar screens, and replacing T12 light fixtures with T8 fixtures. The agency also upgraded plumbing lines and fixtures to minimize leaks and control water flow. Landscaping is drought resistant.

In 2012, Austin Energy conducted an assessment of the agency's energy use and concluded that the building is fairly efficient. Aside from replacing the heating and cooling systems with more efficient models, which would reduce costs over the long-term, it appears that the agency is doing all it can to control energy costs.