

## CREDIT UNION DEPARTMENT STATE OF TEXAS

## QUARTERLY UPDATE ON ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN

July 1, 2017

The Credit Union Department (the Department) is a small agency with ten 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 Department's utility costs have remained steady over the past year.

Agency policies and motion-sensing switches ensure lights are turned off when not in use. Conservation measures also include setting the heating and cooling temperatures to reduce usage, use of window coverings, and use of low energy-use bulbs in light fixtures. The agency promptly addresses plumbing issues to avoid excessive water flow. Landscaping is drought resistant and low-maintenance.

The agency recently replaced the A/C units with newer and more efficient models. The thermostat was replaced and moved to a location that allowed for better control over the temperature.

The agency's long-term capital improvement plan includes upgrading the exterior lighting soffits and acquiring natural gas service to the building. The agency is making every effort to improve energy efficiency and to control costs.