§ 143-64.11. Definitions.

For purposes of this Article:

- (1) "Economic life" means the projected or anticipated useful life of a facility.
- (2) "Energy-consumption analysis" means the evaluation of all energy-consuming systems, including systems that consume water or other utilities, and components of these systems by demand and type of energy or other utility use, including the internal energy load imposed on a facility by its occupants, equipment and components, and the external energy load imposed on the facility by climatic conditions.
- (2a) "Energy Office" means the State Energy Office of the Department of Environmental Quality.
- (2b) "Energy-consuming system" includes but is not limited to any of the following equipment or measures:
 - a. Equipment used to heat, cool, or ventilate the facility;
 - b. Equipment used to heat water in the facility;
 - c. Lighting systems;
 - d. On-site equipment used to generate electricity for the facility;
 - e. On-site equipment that uses the sun, wind, oil, natural gas, liquid propane gas, coal, or electricity as a power source; and
 - f. Energy conservation measures, as defined in G.S. 143-64.17, in the facility design and construction that decrease the energy, water, or other utility requirements of the facility.
- (3) "Facility" means a building or a group of buildings served by a central distribution system for energy, water, or other utility or components of a central distribution system.
- (4) "Initial cost" means the required cost necessary to construct or renovate a facility.
- (5) "Life-cycle cost analysis" means an analytical technique that considers certain costs of owning, using, and operating a facility over its economic life, including but not limited to:
 - a. Initial costs;
 - b. System repair and replacement costs;
 - c. Maintenance costs;
 - d. Operating costs, including energy costs; and
 - e. Salvage value.
- (6) Repealed by Session Laws 1993, c. 334, s. 3, effective July 13, 1993.
- (7) "State agency" means the State of North Carolina or any board, bureau, commission, department, institution, or agency of the State.
- (8) "State-assisted facility" means a facility constructed or renovated in whole or in part with State funds or with funds guaranteed or insured by a State agency.
- (9) "State facility" means a facility constructed or renovated, by a State agency.
- (10) "State institution of higher learning" means any constituent institution of The University of North Carolina. (1975, c. 434, s. 2; 1989, c. 23, s. 1; 1993, c. 334, s. 3; 2001-415, s. 2; 2006-190, ss. 9, 10, 11; 2007-546, s. 3.1(c); 2009-446, s. 1(f); 2013-360, s. 15.22(o); 2015-241, s. 14.30(u).)

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