# **ENERGY AUDIT QUICK CHECKLIST**

Answers to these questions should be found or asked for quick assessment of the status of energy efficiency

# a) Lighting:-

- ◆ Is your facility using the most energy efficient lighting options (fluorescent mercury vapor, etc.)?
- Are there areas that have excessive or unneeded lighting?
- Are you making effective use of available lighting, such as natural sunlight?
- ♦ Have you installed lighting management equipment such as dimmers, timers and sensors?

# b) Building Envelope:-

- ♦ Is the building well insulated?
- Does weather stripping around doors and windows need to be replaced?
- Are cracks around doors, windows and foundations properly sealed?
- Are there open doors around loading docks or other frequently accessed areas?

## c) Heating and Cooling:-

- ♦ Arc furnaces, boilers and air conditioning systems operating efficiently?
- Is there a regular maintenance and update schedule for these systems?
- ♦ Are filters replaced regularly?
- Is the building properly ventilated?

#### d) Motors and Equipment:-

- Is your equipment maintained so that it is operating at maximum efficiency?
- Is equipment load compatible with manufacturer specifications?
- ♦ Are machines shut down when not in use?
- Are fan belts at the proper tension and in good condition?

#### e) Energy Behavior:-

- Are lights, fans and equipment (computer, printers, etc.) turned off when not in use?
- Are building temperatures set back when not in use?
- Are thermostats set to higher or Lower than necessary in summer and winter?
- ♦ After finding answers to the check list and identifying areas of improvement, following possibilities maybe explored as energy conservation measures.

### Lighting-:

- Reduce Hours of Operation.
  - Occupancy Sensors, Photocells, Central Control.
- Reduce Capacity of Equipment.
  - Delamping, Reflectors.
- ♦ Reduce Load or Equipment Capacity. Requirements.
  - Day lighting.
- ♦ Reduce Energy Cost.
  - Base demand load reduction.
- ♦ Increase Efficiency
  - T-12 to T-8
  - Incandescent to Fluorescent
  - Reflectors
  - Dimmers

# **Building envelope:-**

- ♦ Insulation
  - Insulation of roof & walls.
- ♦ Glass modifications-:
  - Use of permanent/movable shading on glass
  - Changing to low solar heat gain glass, insulating (low U-value) glass
- ♦ Reduce air Leakage-:
  - air lock entry
  - plugging all leakages

#### **Heating-:**

- ♦ Reduce Hours of Operation-:
  - Automated Controls.
- ♦ Reduce Capacity of Equipment-:
  - Size to meet actual load
- ♦ Reduce Load or Equipment Capacity-:

# Requirements

- Insulation
- Infiltration reduction
- ♦ Reduce Energy Cost-:
  - Fuel Switch
  - Rate Switch
  - Direct Purchase Gas
- ♦ Increase Efficiency-:
  - High Efficiency Boilers

## - High Efficiency Furnaces

## **Air Conditioning**

- ♦ Reduce Hours of Operation-:
  - Automated Controls
  - Economizer
- ♦ Reduce Capacity of Equipment-:
  - Size to meet actual load
  - Chiller Loop
- ♦ Reduce Load or Equipment Capacity-:

## Requirements.

- Insulation.
- Infiltration reduction.
- ♦ Reduce Energy Cost-:
  - Rate Switch.
  - Thermal Storage.
- ♦ Increase Efficiency-:
  - High Efficiency Chillers.
  - Variable speed tower fans.
  - Geothermal Heat pumps.

# Fans and Pumps-:

- ♦ Reduce Hours of Operation-:
  - Automated Controls.
- ♦ Reduce Capacity of Equipment-:
  - Size to meet actual load requirements.
- ♦ Reduce Load or Equipment Capacity-:

# Requirements.

- Insulation.
- Infiltration reduction.
- ♦ Reduce Energy Cost-:
  - Reduce base demand load through right sizing fans and pumps.
- ♦ Increase Efficiency-:
  - CAV to VAV conversion.
  - CP to VP conversion.