

IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:

(1) "COORDINATOR" MEANS THE COORDINATOR OF THE ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION ~~OFFICE~~ AND PROGRAM.

(2) "ENERGY EMERGENCY" MEANS A CONDITION OF ~~IMMINENT--DANGER--TO--HEALTH,--SAFETY,--OR--WELFARE--DUE--TO--A--DISCONTINUATION--OF--ENERGY--SERVICES--SUPPLIED--BY--A--FUEL--OR--UTILITY--VENDOR~~ WHERE THE DISCONTINUATION OF ENERGY SERVICES SUPPLIED BY A FUEL OR UTILITY VENDOR WILL ENDANGER HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE, AND

(I) THE DISCONTINUATION IS IMMINENT; OR

(II) THE IMMINENCE OF THE DISCONTINUATION IS PRECLUDED SOLELY BY REASON OF ITS PROHIBITION.

(3) "FUEL VENDOR" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO DISTRIBUTES, TRANSPORTS, PRODUCES, OR OFFERS FOR SALE COAL PRODUCTS, FUEL OIL, BOTTLED GAS, PROPANE OR WOOD FOR USE OR CONSUMPTION IN MARYLAND.

(4) "LOCAL OFFICE" MEANS ANY COUNTY OR CITY OFFICE THAT ADMINISTERS THE ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION PROGRAM AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

(5) "OFFICE" MEANS THE ~~OFFICE--OF--~~ ENERGY ASSISTANCE ~~--AND--INFORMATION--~~ MARYLAND OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY.

(6) "UTILITY VENDOR" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO DISTRIBUTES, TRANSPORTS, OR PRODUCES NATURAL GAS OR ELECTRICITY FOR USE OR CONSUMPTION IN MARYLAND.

(7) "WEATHERIZATION" MEANS THE SYSTEMATIC APPLICATION OF INSULATION MATERIALS TO A STRUCTURE TO RETARD THE LOSS OF THE HEATED OR COOLED AIR WITHIN THAT STRUCTURE.

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THE ~~OFFICE-OF~~ ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION PROGRAM IS CREATED FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING, IMPLEMENTING, AND ADMINISTERING THE STATE ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION PROGRAM ACT.

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(A) THE ~~OFFICE-OF~~ ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION PROGRAM IS PART OF THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. A COORDINATOR FOR THE PROGRAM SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE ~~SECRETARY--OF--THE--DEPARTMENT--OF--HUMAN--RESOURCES,--WITH--THE--APPROVAL--OF--THE--GOVERNOR~~ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. THE COORDINATOR SHALL BE THE CHIEF ~~ADMINISTRATIVE--AND--EXECUTIVE--OFFICER--OF--THE--OFFICE--OF~~ ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION ~~---THE--SECRETARY--OF--THE~~