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### **AEA Launches 2012 Energy Audit Program** Geared Toward Energy Efficiency in Private Commercial Sector

(Anchorage) – The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) announced the opening of the application period for its Alaska Commercial Energy Audit Program. Owners of eligible commercial buildings throughout Alaska may be reimbursed up to \$7,000 for a qualifying energy audit.

The program is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, and is expected to provide 100 to 150 commercial energy audits that will specify energy efficiency measures that can be implemented, how much energy can be saved, and how fast those measures will pay for themselves.

“Energy efficiency is good for business,” said AEA Executive Director Sara Fisher-Goad. “This program will help private sector commercial building owners make informed decisions about how to invest in long-term energy savings.”

The Alaska Commercial Energy Audit Program will reimburse eligible applicants the cost of an energy audit up to a specified dollar limit on a per square foot basis. Eligible buildings are commercial buildings, including non-profit owned, up to 160,000 square feet. Building tenants are not eligible, but may refer the building owner to the program.

AEA must receive completed applications by 4:30 PM Wednesday, March 28, 2012.

Program guidelines, the application form and related documents can be found at [www.akenergyauthority.org/EfficiencyAudits.html](http://www.akenergyauthority.org/EfficiencyAudits.html). Applicants may also contact Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project Manager Sean Skaling by e-mail at [sskaling@aidea.org](mailto:sskaling@aidea.org), or telephone (907) 771-3079.

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