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EXECUTIVE ORDER

**OFFICE OF ENERGY MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION
WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, I, Bill Owens, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order transferring funds from the Colorado Department of Health and Human Services to the Governor's Office of Energy Management and Conservation Weatherization Assistance Program.

1. Background and Purpose

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is the recipient of funds under the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (P.L. 97-35) hereafter referred to as the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP). The Colorado Department of Human Services is the state recipient of funds for the LEAP Program. The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 allows up to 15 percent of the funds to be used for low-cost residential weatherization or other energy related home repair for low-income households. Low cost residential weatherization services for Colorado's low-income population will provide long-range benefits for Colorado. The Governor's Office of Energy Management and Conservation is best able to use the weatherization funds to serve Colorado's low-income population.

2. Designation

I hereby designate the Office of Energy Management and Conservation as the responsible agency to administer a low-cost weatherization program. The low-cost weatherization program shall be administered in accordance with all federal laws and regulations.

3. Directive

The Colorado Department of Human Services shall transfer \$4,490,922 to the Office of Energy Management and Conservation to conduct a low-cost weatherization program. Of the total, \$4,471,807 shall come from the LEAP Block Grant and \$19,115 from the Leveraging Incentive Program award.

4. Past Orders Superseded and Replaced

This Executive Order shall supercede and replace all previous executive orders designating the responsible agency to administer LEAP.

5. Duration

This Executive Order shall remain in effect until further modification or rescission by the Governor.

GIVEN under my hand and
the Executive Seal of the
State of Colorado, this 8th
day of March 2005.

Bill Owens
Governor