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### Sec. 16a-38e-1. Definitions

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services.

“Head” of the affected agency means commissioner, executive officer, chief administrative officer or other person in charge of an agency requesting priority designation.

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### Sec. 16a-38e-2. General

a. The commissioner will consider requests for a designation of energy saving capital projects and thereby establish a *priority* implementation through large energy and cost avoidances and/or rapid cost recovery (cost effectiveness and energy efficiency), when other contributing factors such as federal, financial support have a time limit for implementation, when there are specific adverse effects in any delay, or when other contributing factors as listed below are judged to warrant this treatment.

1. A request for priority selection must have approval by the head of the affected agency and be accompanied by substantiating data including but not limited to payback analysis based on energy cost avoidance calculations and implementation and operational cost estimates.

2. The estimated project cost must normally exceed \$50,000; if below \$50,000, it must exceed the capabilities of the agency to handle the project.

3. The estimated simple payback period for cost recovery through energy cost avoidance should not exceed five (5) years; higher preference will be given to a project having a more rapid payback.

4. The building or project affected must have a significantly useful future lifespan and in any case be two (2) years greater than the estimated simple payback period beginning with project completion, as determined by the agency applying for the priority energy project. If a leased building, the lease duration from project completion shall be two (2) years greater than the estimated simple payback period. Written approval to make improvements must be obtained from the lessor before the application for priority selection (Item a-1 above).

5. The implementation time should not exceed one year after date of construction contract using this priority approach.

b. The decision outline will be submitted on a form provided by the commissioner.

c. The commissioner shall indicate, in writing, his decision to make or refuse to make a designation of a priority energy project to the head of the agency making the application. The letter will include reasons why the refusal to make a designation has been made if such is the case.

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