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8 ENERGY CONSERVATION OPPORTUNITY (ECO) INPUT

8.1 Introduction

Once a building has been operated for some time, the owners or operators may decide that it is worthwhile to consider retrofitting its structure, operating profile, or HVAC system to reduce energy consumption. Such measures are called Energy Conservation Opportunities (ECOs). ASEAM3.0 can model the effects of ECOs, both individually and in combination, on the building's overall energy consumption.

The determination of which ECOs to consider initially needs to be decided upon by you and the building owners and operators. Chapter 4 discusses some factors to be considered when selecting ECOs. Generally, you will model a number of ECOs individually and select from these a subset of cost-effective ECOs. Then you can model various combinations of ECOs to evaluate the economic feasibility of the entire package of ECOs.

There are many hand-calculation methods for determining the energy savings due from a particular ECO. These have the advantage of being quick and simple to perform. Hand-calculation methods, however, cannot account for the interactive effects of more than one ECO. For example, if you want to determine the combined energy savings resulting from increasing wall insulation, weatherstripping doors and windows, and reducing the thermostat setpoint, you would perform three separate calculations and then add the savings together. The result would not be accurate, however, because if the thermostat setpoint is reduced, the savings due to increased wall insulation are reduced because of the smaller indoor-outdoor temperature difference.

ECOs can be modifications of loads, systems, or plant parameters. The initial ECOs to be considered will probably be determined by a building energy audit or inspection of the building's energy bills. Lists of ECOs can be found in numerous publications. A recent publication (April 1990) entitled "Architects and Engineers Guide to Energy Conservation in Existing Buildings" demonstrates the use of ASEAM2.1 to model several ECOs. It is not the purpose of this ASEAM3.0 User's Manual to discuss possible ECOs and their applicability. Rather, once a list of potential ECOs has been determined, this section instructs the user how to model them with ASEAM3.0 to determine their projected energy savings. The above reference is recommended.

ASEAM3.0 models ECOs by repeating simulation runs of a base-case building whose parameters are changed by varying ECO variables. You could perform this simulation by creating numerous input files, each basically the same but with a few values changed for the ECOs. To save disk space and user input time, ASEAM3.0 has an ECO input routine. First you define the base-case file completely. Next, the base-case file is referenced, and you define any number of ECOs, each of which modifies one or more input parameters. The changes are stored in files (much smaller than the complete input files) and are referenced from the "Specify Analyses" segment of the program.

Every ECO file name will have the form: AAAA###L.TEC

1. AAAA is a user-specified prefix.
2. ### is a number that identifies the type of ECO.
3. L is a letter that identifies the number of the type ### (above) ECO (A is the first ECO of type ###, B the second, etc.).

4. TEC is the suffix that identifies the type of ECO:
LEC_Loads ECO
SEC_Systems ECO
PEC_Plant ECO

You will need to use this file-naming convention in the Specify Analyses segment, when you are asked to identify which ECO files are to be used in the simulation.

8.1.1 Conventional ECO Modeling

When using any computer program to calculate the energy savings resulting from an ECO, the "normal" method of performing the analysis has several steps:

1. Define the base case input files and perform calculations with these files.
2. Change input variables in the base case input files to reflect the ECO and perform the calculations with these new sets of input files.
3. Manually determine the resultant energy savings by subtracting the ECO energy usage from the base case annual energy usage.
4. Perform Life-Cycle cost calculations if desired.
5. Repeat steps 2 through 4 for each ECO.

In the method described above, each ECO requires a separate input data file. If you desire to investigate all possible combinations of five individual loads ECOs, this would require 32 separate loads input files. Each individual loads input file would model either one ECO or any combination of up to five individual ECOs. ASEAM3.0 can model ECOs in this manner. Since each ECO or ECO combination is modeled in a separate input file, ASEAM3.0 refers to these type files as "batch" ECO files.

There are many limitations to this method:

- As described above, many complete input files are required.
- The calculation of the resultant energy savings must be performed manually by subtracting the ECO energy usage from the base case energy usage.
- Life-Cycle cost analysis is not integrated.

ASEAM3.0, on the other hand, requires less input time, automatically compares the ECO with the base case energy consumption, and integrates the BLCC calculations.

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8.1.2 ASEAM3.0 ECO Modeling

Simple ECOs

Many simple ECOs only require a minimal change to the base case input files (e.g. changing the wall U-factor for insulation, minimum outside air percent for systems, etc.). The ASEAM3.0 ECO Input Program was specifically designed for these simple ECOs. In the ECO Input Program, you first specify what input screen contain the input data that is to be changed for an ECO. For example, to model an ECO for adding wall insulation, you would want to change the U-Factor value in the "wall" screen of the base case loads input file. If you wanted to investigate both R-19 and R-27, you would specify two wall ECOs.

After you specify the number of ECOs for each ECO type (or input screen), ASEAM3.0 will first ask some general information about the ECO (ECO description, file name for storage). Then, ECO input screens appear for each ECO selected. These ECO input screens appear vary similar to the normal loads, systems, and plant input screens. Some of the normal input questions do not appear in the ECO screen (e.g. wall orientation, area, etc.). The base case information is shown on the input screen, and you may change any input value (or combination of input values) in the ECO input screen. You can only change the information in the base case file - you cannot add window sections, for example, since the area and window orientation would not be known. After you edit the values in the base case files, the new values are automatically stored in a small ECO file for each ECO type - not a complete new loads input file.

Note that ASEAM3.0 does not refer to ECOs by "names" - but rather by "types". That is, "Install Economizer Controls" or "Reduce Outside Air Intake" are never explicitly defined as ECOs by name. To model these ECOs, you must access the "Outside Air Controls" input screen for systems ECOs. To investigate different possible combinations of outside air controls (e.g. enthalpy versus dry bulb economizer, with different minimum percent outside air intake), you would indicate multiple "Outside Air Control" ECO types. For example, four "Outside Air Control" ECOs would be requested to simulate the following:

ECO #1	Install Enthalpy Economizer (same minimum %)
ECO #2	Install Dry Bulb Economizer with (75 deg switchover) (same minimum percent outside air)
ECO #3	Install Enthalpy Economizer (reduced minimum %)
ECO #4	Install Dry Bulb Economizer with (75 deg switchover) (reduced minimum percent outside air)

Complex ECOs

Many ECOs cannot be modeled as simple changes to a particular input screen. Examples would include changing the system or plant type, replacing window areas with walls, or adding daylighting. To model these more complex ECOs, you must use the normal loads, systems, and plant input programs to reflect the required changes in all input screens. Complete new loads, systems, and plant files (with different file names) must be saved. These

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ECOs are referred to as "batch" ECOs.

Complex ECOs cannot be modeled with the ECO input program since many different screens must be accessed for an ECO.

Before attempting to model an ECO, you must first decide whether the ECO input program can be used, or whether you must edit existing base case files with the normal loads, systems, and plant input programs ("batch" ECOs). The ECO input program should be used whenever possible. However, you can always use the "batch" ECO method.

The ECO input program can be used only if all the input changes required for an ECO are available on the ECO input screens. Therefore, you must first review the ECO input screens in sections 8.3 (Loads ECOs), 8.4 (Systems ECOs), and 8.5 (Plant ECOs). If all the inputs requiring changes can be found in these sections, you should use the ECO input program. If you cannot completely model an ECO by changing values in these ECO input screens, you must use "batch" ECO files.

Reset Schedule ECOs

Some specific ECOs cannot be modeled directly by ASEAM3.0. However, if the change in the zone load or plant load can be calculated, ASEAM3.0 can account for these load changes as a Reset Schedule ECO. Examples would include adding moveable insulation to windows at night or using heat recovery to reduce the boiler load. ASEAM3.0 includes two ECO input screens (Loads Reset Schedule #240 and Systems Reset Schedule #410) that allow you to change the loads on the systems and plant. You must first determine the change in BTUH load as a function of outside air temperature (i.e. a slope and intercept must be determined).

Example: Moveable Window Insulation at Night

Assume the following base case conditions:

 window area = 500 square feet
 U-Factor (same for occupied and unoccupied cycles) = .57
 Unoccupied cycle thermostat setpoint = 60 deg F.
 Design winter outside air temperature = 10 deg F.

Assume the following ECO conditions:

 U-Factor during the unoccupied cycle only = .10
 (all other values are the same as the base case)

Heat loss through windows at night = $U * Area * (Toa - Tspace)$

At design winter (10 deg F)

 Present heat loss = $(.57)(500)(10-60) = -14,250$ BTUH
 ECO heat loss = $(.10)(500)(10-60) = -2,500$ BTUH

At 60 deg F outside temperature, the heat losses in both cases would be zero since the temperature difference is zero.

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Therefore, the change in load (ECO load minus base case load) for this ECO would be:

11,750 BTUH at 10 deg F (positive value)
0 BTUH at 60 deg F

The slope and intercept representing these two points is:
Slope = -235 BTUH/deg F (negative number)
Intercept = 14,100 BTUH (positive number)

The above two values (slope and intercept) would be entered for the slope adjustment and constant change respectfully in the Loads Reset Schedule ECO input screen (see section 8.3.15). Note that these values only "adjust" the loads up or down. Be sure to use positive adjustments for additional cooling loads (or reduced heating loads). **DO NOT USE THE WRONG SIGNS FOR THESE VALUES.**

The Reset Schedule ECOs allow you to use up to four different slope and intercept (constant) adjustment schedules per zone or system. Additionally, each schedule number can apply to different months and occupied or unoccupied cycle. Assuming the above two values were entered as schedule #1, they could be used only during the unoccupied cycle during the months of September through April, for example. Each zone or system has separate Reset Schedule ECO screens (the window area, for example, could be different between zones one and two).

Example - Heat Recovery

Assume a heat recovery device was installed as an ECO, and it reduced the boiler load during the months of October through April by 10,000 BTUH. In this case, the boiler load reduction is not dependent on the outside air temperature, and the slope adjustment would be entered as zero. The constant change input value would be entered as -10,000 (BTUH). Note that negative numbers represent load reductions and positive numbers indicate additional loads. You must use the System Reset Schedule (see section 8.4.12) for this ECO since it reduces the plant load. The Loads Reset Schedule ECO only adjusts the systems load.

8.1.3 ASEAM3.0 ECO Calculations

After you have created ECO files from the ECO input program or "batch" ECO files from the loads, systems, or plant input programs, you are ready to perform the energy calculations for these ECOs. If Life-Cycle cost analysis is desired, you should also create BLCC input files to be used for each ECO or combination.

During the "Specify Analysis" segment (see Chapter 11) you define which files are to be used in the calculations. There are two calculation modes for ECOs: Single ECO Run Mode, and Multiple ECO Run Mode. In both modes, you begin by defining the base case input files to be used. Then separate input screens appear for the two modes:

Single ECO Run Mode - in this mode, you may enter only one new file name

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for the ECO calculations. This may be a file created by the ECO input program (e.g. wall ECO), or it may be a completely different "batch" loads, systems or plant input file. Up to 40 different ECO calculations can be performed in this mode.

Multiple ECO Run Mode - in this mode you may enter several different ECOs files to be considered together for the calculations. That is, the combined effects of wall insulation, storm windows, economizer controls, increased chiller COP, etc. can be specified. If only one ECO is specified in this mode, the effect would be similar to the Single ECO Run Mode. Up to twenty different sets in ECO input files (combination runs) can be specified in this mode.

During the calculations, three "preprocessor" programs (for loads, systems, and plant) determine which input data is to be used for the calculations. Each preprocessor program first determines which loads, systems, or plant input file should be used and read into memory. This could be either the base case input files or batch ECO files. Next, if an ECO input file was specified (created in the ECO input program), the program reads the specified files and "substitutes" the new values for the base case values. Next, the Reset Schedule ECOs, if specified, are read in to adjust the loads on the systems or plant. Finally, the preprocessor passes the input values and loads to the correct calculation program. (Note: these preprocessor programs also make similar "substitutions" in the parametric run mode).

From the above discussion, you may note that only one complete input file (loads, systems, or plant) is read into memory at the beginning. Therefore, only one batch type loads, system or plant ECO file can be used for any ECO calculation. (If the second batch file of the same type was read into memory, it would completely overwrite the first file). In the multiple ECO run mode, you could specify different ECO files for each calculation segment (loads, systems, and plant). Secondly, only one ECO of a particular type (e.g. wall, outside air control, etc.) can be used in any ECO calculation. If a second wall ECO input file was read in, for example, the changed data from the first wall ECO would be lost. Therefore, if you want to model combinations of ECOs of the same type, you must specify multiple ECOs in the ECO input program. For example, if you wanted to consider both reducing the shading coefficient and weatherstripping the windows individually and in combination, you must specify three window type ECOs in the ECO input program. The first two ECOs would reflect the ECOs individually and the third would reflect the combination.

8.2 Entering ECO Data

The ECO input program is divided into loads, systems, and plant segments like the standard input routines. Before accessing the ECO input, first make sure that the data subdirectory for the base case files are correct. From the ASEAM3.0 Main Menu, choose "Input Data" and then "ECO" from the pull-down menu:

ASEAM3 MAIN MENU

```
| Input Data  Print Reports  Specify Analyses  Run Calcs  Exit DOS |
```

```
| Loads |  
| Systems |  
| Plant |  
| ECO |  
| Quick |  
| Weather |  
| Drives |  
| Exit |
```

The ASEAM3 ECO Input Menu will appear on the screen:

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT

```
| Select ECOs (New Data) Edit Existing ECOs Exit |
```

The ECOs that you will model will fall into the loads, systems, or plant category. You will enter these one category at a time. To enter new ECOs, choose the "Select ECOs" option. Use "Edit Existing ECOs" to change ECO data entered previously.

8.3 Loads ECOs

To begin with the loads ECOs, choose "Loads" from the pull-down menu. A directory of existing loads input files in the data subdirectory will be shown. Indicate the input file that is to be used as the base case file. If there are no loads input data files on the data subdirectory, an error message will be issued.

The next screen asks you to specify the number of ECOs for each type. To do this, you must know how a given ECO will change the base-case building parameters. For example, adding wall insulation will change the wall U-factor and is therefore a wall ECO. Adding weatherstripping will change the leakage coefficient for doors and windows and is therefore both a window and a door ECO. Before using the ECO input routine, you should have a list of ECOs and the new input values for each ECO. From this list, enter the number of ECOs for each type on this screen.

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LOADS ECO SELECTION
-----
Enter the number of analyses for each type

100 - Wall -
110 - Roof -
120 - Window -
130 - Door -
140 - Infiltration -
150 - Miscellaneous Conduction -
160 - Lighting -
170 - Miscellaneous Electric -
180 - Miscellaneous Sensible -
190 - Daylighting -
200 - Diversity Factors -
210 - Occupancy Schedules -
220 - Thermostat Setpoints -
230 - Building Schedules -

240 - Special - User Entered
Loads Reset Schedule on Systems
  
```

For every ECO there is a screen of general data, which looks like this:

```

General ECO Data          Input File: SAMPLE
ECO Type - Type          ECO No: ### Case No: #
-----
Enter the description of the ECO below
Line 1 _____
Line 2 _____
Line 3 _____
Line 4 _____
Line 5 _____

Four Character Filename Prefix
  
```

The ECO type, number, and case number will be listed at the top of the screen. Enter a description of the ECO (this description does not appear on any report - it is for your reference only) and a four character file name prefix. The complete file name, as explained in Section 8.1, will be the four-character prefix, the ECO number, and a letter designating the case of this ECO type. Keep note of these file names, because you will choose the ECOs by these names when you Specify Analysis.

The following screens pertain to the type of ECO. They look very much like the input screens for the same components (e.g., walls or windows). The difference is that only values which may be changed by ECOs are shown on the screen. For example, neither changing the wall area nor orientation are considered as ECOs, so the area and orientation data are omitted from the Wall ECO screens.

Any of the components that were originally input by zone will have one ECO screen for each zone. Thus, it is possible to model, for example, only the ECO of installing wall insulation in the north walls. The ECO input screens will initially display the base case data for all components. To enter the changes due to an ECO, edit the data just as you would normally. Once you have completed all the screens for the ECO (which may be just one screen, as in the case of operating hours, or one screen per zone, as

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in the case of a wall ECO), a file will automatically be written that contains the data for this ECO.

The ECO Input routine will go through all the ECOs that you identified on the first screen. All ECOs of one type will be completed before moving to the next type.

All types of ECOs are shown below. The screens contain data from a sample base case file. Note that an ECO screen will never appear without data unless the original base case file had no data. This may occur occasionally (for example, a core zone will not have any data entered for windows), but in general ECO screens will be shown with existing, base case data.

8.3.1 Wall ECOs #100 (1 screen per zone)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File:SAMPLE |
|WALL ECOS          ECO No: 100 Case No: 1   ECO File:SAMP100A|
|-----|
|WALLS              Wall 1   Wall 2   Wall 3   Wall 4   |
|Name (Optional)   _____|
|U-Factor (BTUH/ft²-°)  _____|
|Wall Construction Group  -       -       -       -       |
|Color Correction     _____|
|
|Wall Construction Groups - see page F26.9 ('A' through 'G')
|Color Correction Codes  1=Dark .83=Medium .65=Light
|
  
```

8.3.2 Roof ECOs #110 (1 screen per zone)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File:SAMPLE |
|ROOF ECOS          ECO No: 110 Case No: 1   ECO File:SAMP110A|
|-----|
|ROOFS              Roof 1   Roof 2   |
|Name (Optional)   _____|
|U-Factor (BTUH/ft²-°)  _____|
|Roof Construction Code  -       -       |
|Color Correction     _____|
|
|Roof Construction Codes - see ASHRAE F26.8 T5 - numbers 1 thru 13
|Color Correction Codes  1 = Dark Colored or in an industrial area
|                       .5 = permanently light colored or in rural area
|
  
```

8.3.3 Window ECOs #120 (1 screen per zone)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File:SAMPLE |
|WINDOW ECOS          ECO No: 120 Case No: 1   ECO File:SAMP120A|
|-----|
|WINDOWS              Window 1   Window 2   Window 3   Window 4   |
|Name (optional)     _____|
|Shading coefficient  _____|
|U-Factor (BTUH/ft²-°)  _____|
  
```

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| Leakage coefficient _ _ _ _ |

8.3.4 Door ECOS #130 (1 screen per zone)

```
| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File: SAMPLE |
| DOOR ECOS          ECO No: 130 Case No: 1     ECO File: SAMP130A |
|-----|
| DOORS                Door 1   Door 2         |
| Name (optional)      _____ |
| U-Factor (BTUH/ft2-°)  _____ |
| Leakage coefficient   _____ |
```

8.3.5 Infiltration ECOS #140 (1 screen per zone)

```
| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File: SAMPLE |
| INFILTRATION ECOS    ECO No: 140 Case No: 1     ECO File: SAMP140A |
|-----|
| INFILTRATION                                               |
| Occupied air change rate      ___ Air changes per hour |
| Unoccupied air change rate    ___ Air changes per hour |
| These entries exclude infiltration by crack length method |
```

8.3.6 Miscellaneous Conduction ECOS #150 (1 screen per zone)

```
| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File: SAMPLE |
| MISCELLANEOUS CONDUCTION    ECO No: 150 Case No: 1     ECO File: SAMP150A |
|-----|
| MISCELLANEOUS CONDUCTION                Type 1   Type 2   |
| Name (Optional)                          _____ |
| U-Factor (BTUH/ft2-°)  _____ |
| Reference temperature at design summer (°F)  _____ |
| Reference temperature at design winter (°F)  _____ |
```

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8.3.7 Lighting ECOs #160 (1 screen per zone)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure		Input File: SAMPLE	
LIGHTING ECOS		ECO No: 160	Case No: 1
-----		ECO File: SAMP160A	
	Ltg Func 1	Ltg Func 2	Ltg Func 3
Function name (optional)	_____	_____	_____
Installed watts/ft ²	_____	_____	_____
(times) Percent of zone area	_____	_____	_____
(or) Total installed watts	_____	_____	_____
Percent light heat to space (%)	_____	_____	_____
'A' classification	_____	_____	_____
'B' classification	_____	_____	_____
A classification - .45, .55, .65, .75	(See ASHRAE F26.19 T15)		
B classification - A, B, C, D	(See ASHRAE F26.19 T16)		

8.3.8 Electrical Equipment ECOs #170 (1 screen per zone)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure		Input File: SAMPLE	
EQUIPMENT ECOS		ECO No: 170	Case No: 1
-----		ECO File: SAMP170A	
	Type 1	Type 2	
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	_____	_____	
Electric equipment name (optional)	_____	_____	
Installed watts/ft ²	_____	_____	
(times) Percent of zone area	_____	_____	
(or) Total installed watts	_____	_____	
Hooded (Y/N)	_____	_____	
All watts are converted to space heat gains			

8.3.9 Miscellaneous Sensible Loads ECOs #180 (1 screen per zone)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure		Input File: SAMPLE	
MISCELLANEOUS SENSIBLE LOADS		ECO No: 180	Case No: 1
-----		ECO File: SAMP180A	
	Type 1	Type 2	
MISCELLANEOUS SENSIBLE LOADS	_____	_____	
Load source name (optional)	_____	_____	
Installed BTUH/ft ²	_____	_____	
(times) Percent of zone area	_____	_____	
(or) Total installed BTUH	_____	_____	
Hooded (Y/N)	_____	_____	
Enter Heat Gains as (+) and Heat Losses as (-)			

8.3.10 Daylighting ECOs #190 (2 screens per zone)

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ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure		Input File: SAMPLE	
DAYLIGHTING ECOS		ECO No: 190	Case No: 1
		ECO File: SAMP190A	
	Ltg Func 1	Ltg Func 2	Ltg Func 3
Function name (Optional)			
Glass visible transmittance (%)	___	___	___
Wall reflectance (%)	___	___	___
Design footcandles for space	___	___	___
Control type ('D'im or 'S'tep)	-	-	-

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure		Input File: SAMPLE	
DAYLIGHTING ECOS (CONTROLS)		ECO No: 190	Case No: 1
		ECO File: SAMP190A	
	Ltg Func 1	Ltg Func 2	Ltg Func 3
Function name (optional)			
For Dimming Control Only			
Minimum FC maintained by lights	___	___	___
% of total power at min FC (%)	___	___	___
For Stepped Control Only			
Number of Steps (max=4)	-	-	-
Step 1 artificial FC	___	___	___
Step 1 lighting watts	___	___	___
Step 2 artificial FC	___	___	___
Step 2 lighting watts	___	___	___
Step 3 artificial FC	___	___	___
Step 3 lighting watts	___	___	___
Step 4 artificial FC	___	___	___
Step 4 lighting watts	___	___	___

8.3.11 Operating Use Profiles ECOs #200 (1 screen per zone)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure		Input File: SAMPLE	
OPERATING USE PROFILES (DIVERSIT		ECO No: 200	Case No: 1
		ECO File: SAMP200A	
	OCCUPIED PERIOD	UNOCCUPIED PERIOD	MONTHLY DIV FC TABLE # (1-4)
People:			
Average % of full occupancy	___	___	___
Lights:			
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Electric Equipment:			
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Miscellaneous Sensible Loads:			
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___
Average % of installed capacity	___	___	___

8.3.12 Occupancy Schedule ECOs #210 (1 screen only)

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```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT                               Input File:SAMPLE |
|OCCUPANCY SCHEDULES ECOS                       ECO No: 210 Case No: 1 ECO File:SAMP210A|
|-----|
| Enter the typical OCCUPIED schedule - Use military time (5:30 pm = 1730) |
|
| Values should be in 'hundreds' of hours - 8 am = 800 |
|
| If UNOCCUPIED for entire day - use 0 to 0 |
| If OCCUPIED for entire day - use 0 to 2400 |
|
| Day of Week |
|
| Weekdays .... from ___ to ___ |
| Saturdays ... from ___ to ___ |
| Sundays ..... from ___ to ___ |
  
```

8.3.13 Thermostat ECOs #220 (1 screen per zone)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure       Input File:SAMPLE |
|THERMOSTAT ECOS                               ECO No: 220 Case No: 1 ECO File:SAMP220A|
|-----|
| Zone label _____ |
|
| Thermostat Set Point Temperatures |
| Summer occupied temperature         ___ °F |
| Winter occupied temperature         ___ °F |
| Winter unoccupied temperature       ___ °F |
  
```

8.3.14 Operating Schedule ECOs #230 (1 screen only)

```

|PROJECT DATA SCREEN 2                         |
|OPERATING SCHEDULE ECOS                       ECO No: 230 Case No: 1 ECO File:SAMP230A|
|-----|
| Operating Schedules: |
| Typical weekday occupancy starting hour         ___ |
| Typical weekday operating hours per day         ___ |
| (Use only 8, 10, 12, 14, 16) |
|
| Summer thermostat schedule beginning month number ___ |
| Summer thermostat schedule ending month number   ___ |
  
```

8.3.15 Special Loads Reset Schedule ECOs #240 (1 screen per zone)

This screen, unlike all the others, does not correspond to any screen in the standard input set. It is used for ECOs that cannot be modeled directly by ASEAM3.0. Any ECO that ASEAM3.0 cannot handle can nonetheless be simulated providing that you can estimate how it will change the building load profile. You must estimate how the ECO will affect the building load, and this data can be input to the program, thereby changing the load that is passed on to the system calculations. See Section 8.1.2 for an example.

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Be careful when redefining the load curve. The changes made in the slope and the intercept will adjust the ASEAM3.0 load calculations.

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: ZONE 1 - South Exposure      Input File:SAMPLE |
|LOADS RESET SCHEDULE      ECO No: 240 Case No: 1 ECO File:SAMP240A|
|-----|
|Enter Loads Reset Schedule in BTUH           |
|Schedule #1 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|Schedule #2 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|Schedule #3 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|Schedule #4 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|
|Applicable Months - Enter Schedule # (or 'blank')
|Occupied Schedule #      Unoccupied Schedule #
|January                  -                  -
|February                 -                  -
|March                    -                  -
|April                    -                  -
|May                      -                  -
|June                     -                  -
|July                     -                  -
|August                   -                  -
|September                -                  -
|October                  -                  -
|November                 -                  -
|December                 -                  -
  
```

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8.4 Systems ECOs

Systems ECOs are input in the same way as loads ECOs. Enter the systems ECO input by choosing "Systems" from the ECO Menu. Next, indicate which existing systems input file is to be used for the base-case file. If there are no systems input files on the data subdirectory, an error message will be issued. Remember that the loads, systems, and plant base-case data files must all be on the same data subdirectory.

The first screen will ask you how many ECOs of each type you will model.

```

|-----|
|          SYSTEMS ECO SELECTION          |
|-----|
|          Enter the number of analyses for each type          |
|-----|
|          300 - Heating          -          |
|          310 - Cooling          -          |
|          320 - Preheat          -          |
|          330 - Humidification    -          |
|          340 - Baseboard          -          |
|          350 - Fan          -          |
|          360 - Outside Air Control -          |
|          370 - Furnace          -          |
|          380 - Heat Pump Cooling -          |
|          390 - Heat Pump Heating -          |
|          400 - Direct Expansion  -          |
|
|          410 - Special - User Entered -
|          Plant Loads Reset Schedule
|-----|
  
```

The different types of ECOs are shown below. The screens show data from a sample base-case file. If the data fields are blank, this indicates that no data were entered for this item in the base-case file.

8.4.1 Heating ECOs #300 (1 screen per system)

```

|-----|
| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1          Input File: SAMPLE |
| HEATING          ECO No: 300 Case No: 1  ECO File: SAMP300A |
|-----|
|          Heating Availability          |
| Outside temperature above which heating is off          ___ °F |
| Heating available beginning month #          -          |
| Heating available ending month #          -          |
|
|          Heating Discharge Conditions          |
| Design heating coil discharge temperature          ___ °F |
|
|          (Dual Duct System Only)          |
| Discriminator Control (Y/N)          -          |
| Outside temperature at maximum hot deck temperature          ___ °F |
| Maximum hot deck temperature          ___ °F          |
| Outside temperature at minimum hot deck temperature          ___ °F |
| Minimum hot deck temperature          ___ °F          |
|-----|
  
```

8.4.2 Cooling ECOs #310 (1 screen per system)

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```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1          Input File:SAMPLE |
|COOLING          ECO No: 310 Case No: 1  ECO File:SAMP310A|
|-----|
|Cooling Availability|
| Outside temperature below which cooling is off    ___ °F |
| Cooling available beginning month #             ___ |
| Cooling available ending month #                 ___ |
|-----|
|Cooling Discharge Conditions|
| Design cooling coil discharge temperature        ___ °F |
| Discriminator control (Y/N)                     - |
| Maximum cooling coil discharge temperature       ___ °F |

```

8.4.3 Preheat ECOs # 320 (1 screen per system)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1          Input File:SAMPLE |
|PREHEAT          ECO No: 320 Case No: 1  ECO File:SAMP320A|
|-----|
|Preheat Availability|
| Outside temperature above which preheat is off  ___ °F |
| Preheat available beginning month #             ___ |
| Preheat available ending month #                 ___ |
|-----|
|Preheat Discharge Conditions|
| Design preheat coil discharge temperature        ___ °F |

```

8.4.4 Humidification ECOs # 330 (1 screen per system)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1          Input File:SAMPLE |
|HUMIDIFICATION   ECO No: 330 Case No: 1  ECO File:SAMP330A|
|-----|
|Humidification Availability|
| Outside temperature above which humidification is off ___ °F |
| Humidification available beginning month #             ___ |
| Humidification available ending month #                 ___ |
| Humidification available during unoccupied cycle (Y/N) - |
|-----|
|Humidification Discharge Conditions|
| Minimum relative humidity maintained (% RH)         ___ % RH |

```

8.4.5 Baseboard ECOs #340 (1 screen per system)

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1          Input File:SAMPLE |
|BASEBOARD        ECO No: 340 Case No: 1  ECO File:SAMP340A|
|-----|
|Baseboard Availability|
| Outside temperature above which baseboard is off  ___ °F |
| Baseboard available beginning month #             ___ |
| Baseboard available ending month #                 ___ |
|-----|
|Baseboard Control and Capacity|
| Baseboard control type                             |
| (1 = thermostatic 2 = reset by outside temperature) |

```

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Percent of design heating load satisfied at design winter	___ %	
Percent of design heating load satisfied at balance temp	___ %	

8.4.6 Fan ECOs #350 (1 screen per system)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1	Input File: SAMPLE	
FAN	ECO No: 350 Case No: 1	ECO File: SAMP350A

Supply Fans		
Total supply fan power required (blank=default)	___ KW	
(or) Supply fan power per 1000 CFM	___ KW/1000 CFM	
Supply fan temperature rise (blank=default)	___ °F	
Return Fans		
Total return fan power required (blank=default)	___ KW	
(or) Return fan power per 1000 CFM	___ KW/1000 CFM	
Return fan temperature rise (blank=default)	___ °F	
(VAV) Minimum percent of design air volume when heating	___ %	
(VAV) Air volume control method		
(1=Variable Speed 2=Discharge Dampers 3=Inlet Vanes)		
Fan Control Methods (See Codes Below)		
Occupied cycle fan control method	-	
Unoccupied cycle fan control method	-	

	Fan Control Methods	
	1=On Continuously 2=Cycles with load	

8.4.7 Outside Air Control #360 ECOs (1 screen per system)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1	Input File: SAMPLE	
OUTSIDE AIR CONTROLS	ECO No: 360 Case No: 1	ECO File: SAMP360A

Occupied Cycle Only		
Outside air damper control method (see codes below)		
Minimum percent outside air intake	___ %	
Dry bulb switchover temperature	___ °F	
Unoccupied Cycle Only		
Outside air damper control method (see codes below)		
Minimum percent outside air intake	___ %	
Dry bulb switchover temperature	___ °F	
	Outside Air Damper Control Methods	
1=No Outside Air 2=Fixed Dampers 3=Dry Bulb 4=Enthalpy		
	(Economizer) (Economizer)	

8.4.8 Furnace ECOs #370 (1 screen per system)

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1	Input File: SAMPLE	
FURNACE	ECO No: 370 Case No: 1	ECO File: SAMP370A

Furnace Heat Output		
Furnace capacity (blank=autosize)	___ KBTUH	

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```

| (if autosized) Percent of design load satisfied    ___ % |
| |
| | Furnace Efficiency
| | Furnace efficiency at design load              ___ % |
| | |
| | | Furnace Losses
| | | Losses as percent of design load (at design load) ___ % |
| | | Losses as percent of design load (at no load)    ___ % |
| | | Pilot gas annual consumption                    ___ therms |

```

8.4.9 Heat Pump Cooling ECOs #380 (1 screen per system)

```

| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1                    Input File: SAMPLE |
| HEAT PUMP COOLING          ECO No: 380 Case No: 1  ECO File: SAMP380A |
| -----|
| | Cooling Performance
| | Design coefficient of performance                ___ |
| | |
| | | Water Source Heat Pump Only
| | | Outside temperature at minimum fluid loop temperature ___ °F | |
| | | | Minimum fluid loop temperature                    ___ °F |
| | | | Outside temperature at maximum fluid loop temperature ___ °F |
| | | | Maximum fluid loop temperature                    ___ °F |

```

8.4.10 Heat Pump Heating ECOs #390 (1 screen per system)

```

| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1                    Input File: SAMPLE |
| HEAT PUMP HEATING          ECO No: 390 Case No: 1  ECO File: SAMP390A |
| -----|
| | Outside temperature below which backup heating is on ___ °F |
| | |
| | | Heating Performance
| | | Design heating coefficient of performance        ___ |

```

8.4.11 Direct Expansion ECOs #400 (1 screen per system)

```

| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 3                    Input File: SAMP |
| DX COOLING          ECO No: 400 Case No: 1  ECO File: SAMP400A |
| -----|
| | Cooling Performance
| | Design coefficient of performance                ___ | |
| | |
| | | Minimum unloading ratio (% of capacity)          ___ % |
| | | Minimum hot gas bypass ratio (% of capacity)     ___ % |
| | | |
| | | | DX Condenser
| | | | Condenser fan KW (blank=default)                ___ KW |
| | | | Outside temperature below which condenser fan is off ___ °F |

```

8.4.12 Special System Reset Schedule ECOs #410 (1 screen per system)

This screen is like the Loads Reset Schedule ECO screen, discussed above. Its purpose is to adjust the slope and intercept of the systems load curve, which is

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passed on to the plant calculations when the ECO cannot be modeled directly by ASEAM3.0. See section 8.12 for an example.

```

|ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: SYSTEM 1 - 1                               Input File: SAMPLE |
|SYSTEM RESET SCHEDULE          ECO No: 410 Case No: 1 ECO File: SAMP410A |
|-----|
|Type of Plant Load to Adjust                                     NA |
| 1=Centrifugal 2=Absorption 3=DB Chiller 4=Reciprocating      |
| 5=Dist Cooling 6=Cooling Tower 7=DB Heat Recv 8=Elec Res HTG |
| 9=Boiler 10=Dist Heating                                     |
|
|Enter Plant Loads Reset Schedule in BTUH                       |
|Schedule #1 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|Schedule #2 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|Schedule #3 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|Schedule #4 Slope Adjustment _____ Constant Change _____|
|
|Applicable Months - Enter Schedule # (or 'blank')             |
|Month  Occup  Unocc  Month  Occup  Unocc                       |
|January  -    -    July    -    -                               |
|February -    -    August  -    -                               |
|March    -    -    September -    -                             |
|April    -    -    October  -    -                             |
|May      -    -    November -    -                             |
|June     -    -    December -    -                             |

```

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8.5 Plant ECOs

Plant ECOs are input just like Loads ECOs. To access the Plant ECO Input routine, select "Plant" from the ECO Input Menu. Next, indicate the Plant Input file that is to be used as the base case file.

The following screen will ask how many of each of the different types of plant ECOs you would like to model.

```

|-----|
|          | PLANT ECO SELECTION          |
|          |-----|
|          | Enter the number of analyses for each type |
|          |          |          |          |
|          | 500 - Energy Costs & Conversions          |          |
|          | 510 - Miscellaneous Energy Consumption    |          |
|          | 520 - Centrifugal Chiller                 |          |
|          | 530 - Absorption Chiller                 |          |
|          | 540 - Double Bundle Chiller              |          |
|          | 550 - Reciprocating Chiller              |          |
|          | 560 - Cooling Tower                      |          |
|          | 570 - Domestic Hot Water                |          |
|          | 580 - Boiler                             |          |
|          |          |          |          |
|          |-----|
|          |
|-----|
  
```

The different types of ECOs are shown below. These screens show initial data values from a sample base-case file. Note that some of the screens have no data values entered; these components were not initially modeled.

8.5.1 Energy Costs/Conversions ECOs #500

```

|-----|
| ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Energy Costs          | Input File: SAMPLE |
| ENERGY COSTS/CONVERSIONS          ECO No: 500  | Case No: 1  ECO File: SAMP500A |
|-----|
| Fuel Type      Energy      Unit Cost          |
|                Units       $ / Unit             |
|-----|
| Electricity     KWH        _____          |
| Natural Gas     Therms     _____          |
| #2 Oil         Gallons     _____          |
| #4 Oil         Gallons     _____          |
| #6 Oil         Gallons     _____          |
| Dist Heating    MBTU       _____          |
| Dist Cooling    MBTU       _____          |
|-----|
  
```

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8.5.2 Miscellaneous Energy Consumption ECOs #510

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Misc Energy Consumption		Input File: SAMPLE	
MISCELLANEOUS ENERGY CONSUMPTION		ECO No: 510	Case No: 1 ECO File: SAMP510A
Label for Miscellaneous Energy Consumption	Fuel Units (See Codes Below)	Annual Consumption in Energy Units	
_____	-	_____	_____
_____	-	_____	_____
_____	-	_____	_____
_____	-	_____	_____

Fuel Code	Fuel Type	Energy Units
1	Natural Gas	therms
2	Oil	gallons
3	Electricity	KWH
4	Dist Heating	MBTU
5	Dist Cooling	MBTU

8.5.3 Centrifugal Chiller ECOs #520

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Centrifugal		Input File: SAMPLE	
CENTRIFUGAL CHILLER		ECO No: 520	Case No: 1 ECO File: SAMP520A
	Type 1	Type 2	
Cooling Performance			
Design coefficient of performance	_____	_____	
Minimum unloading ratio (% of capacity)	_____	_____	%
Minimum part load ratio (% of capacity)	_____	_____	%
Load management/operating method (1 = always on 2 = as needed)	-	-	
Chilled Water Parameters			
Chilled water temperature at design load	_____	_____	°F
Chilled water temperature at minimum load	_____	_____	°F
Chilled water flow (blank=autosized)	_____	_____	gpm
Chilled water pump kw (blank=autosized)	_____	_____	KW

8.5.4 Absorption Chiller ECOs #530

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Absorption		Input File: SAMPLE	
ABSORPTION CHILLER		ECO No: 530	Case No: 1 ECO File: SAMP530A
	Type 1	Type 2	
Cooling Performance			
Design coefficient of performance	_____	_____	
Minimum unloading ratio (% of capacity)	_____	_____	%
Load management/operating method (1 = always on 2 = as needed)	-	-	
Chilled Water Parameters			

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Chilled water temperature at design load	___	___	°F
Chilled water temperature at minimum load	___	___	°F
Chilled water flow (blank=autosized)	___	___	gpm
Chilled water pump kw (blank=autosized)	___	___	KW

8.5.5 Double Bundle Chiller ECOs #540

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - DB Chiller		Input File: SAMPLE	
DOUBLE BUNDLE CHILLER	ECO No: 540	Case No: 1	ECO File: SAMP540A
	Type 1	Type 2	
Cooling Performance			
Design coefficient of performance	___	___	
Minimum unloading ratio (% of cap - clg mode)	___	___	%
Minimum unloading ratio (% of cap - htg mode)	___	___	%
Minimum part load ratio (% of capacity)	___	___	%
Load management/operating method	-	-	
(1 = always on 2 = as needed)			
Chilled Water Parameters			
Chilled water temperature at design load	___	___	°F
Chilled water temperature at minimum load	___	___	°F
Chilled water flow (blank=autosized)	___	___	gpm
Chilled water pump kw (blank=autosized)	___	___	KW
Heat Recovery Parameters			
Design heat recovery temperature	___	___	°F

8.5.6 Reciprocating Chiller ECOs #550

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Reciprocating		Input File: SAMPLE	
RECIPROCATING CHILLER	ECO No: 550	Case No: 1	ECO File: SAMP550A
	Type 1	Type 2	
Cooling Performance			
Design coefficient of performance	___	___	
Minimum unloading ratio (% of capacity)	___	___	%
Minimum part load ratio (% of capacity)	___	___	%
Load management/operating method	-	-	
(1 = always on 2 = as needed)			
Chilled Water Parameters			
Chilled water temperature at design load	___	___	°F
Chilled water temperature at minimum load	___	___	°F
Chilled water flow (blank=autosized)	___	___	gpm
Chilled water pump KW (blank=autosized)	___	___	KW

8.5.7 Cooling Tower ECOs #560

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Cooling Tower		Input File: SAMPLE	
COOLING TOWER	ECO No: 560	Case No: 1	ECO File: SAMP560A
Tower Performance			
Fan KW per cell (blank=autosized)	___	___	KW
Number of fan speeds (1 or 2)	-	-	
Approach temperature	___	___	°F

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Condenser Water Parameters	
Condenser water temperature at design load	— °F
Condenser water temperature at minimum load	— °F
Condenser water flow rate (blank=autosized)	— gpm
Condenser water pump KW (blank=autosized)	— KW

8.5.8 Domestic Hot Water ECOs #570

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Domestic Hot Water		Input File: SAMPLE
DOMESTIC HOT WATER		ECO No: 570 Case No: 1 ECO File: SAMP570A

Annual pilot consumption (if gas)	—	therms
Average hourly DHW usage - occupied cycle	—	gal/hou
Average hourly DHW usage - unoccupied cycle	—	gal/hou
DHW Temperatures		
Domestic hot water supply temperature	—	°F
DHW inlet temperature - design summer	—	°F
DHW inlet temperature - design winter	—	°F
Circulating Pumps		
Circulating pump KW - occupied cycle	—	KW
Circulating pump KW - unoccupied cycle	—	KW
DHW Efficiency and Losses		
Design DHW heating efficiency	—	%
DHW losses - occupied cycle	—	BTUH
DHW losses - unoccupied cycle	—	BTUH

8.5.9 Boiler ECOs #580

ASEAM3 ECO INPUT: PLANT - Boiler		Input File: SAMPLE
BOILER		ECO No: 580 Case No: 1 ECO File: SAMP580A

Annual pilot consumption (if gas)	—	therms
Load management/operation	—	
(1 = always on 2 = as needed)	—	
Boiler Performance		
Boiler efficiency method (1=user entered 2=calc)	—	
Design boiler efficiency	—	%
(if calc) Combustion air temperature	—	°F
(if calc) Stack temperature	—	°F
(if calc) Air-Fuel ratio	—	Lb/Lb
Minimum part load operating ratio (% of capacity)	—	%
Boiler pump KW (blank=autosized)	—	KW
Boiler losses - percent of capacity	—	%
Boiler losses - percent of load	—	%

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8.6 ECO Input Hints

When you enter a four-character file-name prefix for the ECO files, it is helpful to use a name that will define the ECO. Although the second four characters also define the type of ECO, you have to look up these numbers to determine which ECOs they refer to.

If you input the ECO data in more than one sitting, be sure to use different file-name prefixes for the ECOs. Whenever the ECO Input program is accessed, the first file saved is assumed to be A and the second file B, and so on. For example, if you enter three wall ECOs in the first sitting, with the file-name prefix "WALL," the program will create three ECO files: "WALL100A.LEC", "WALL100B.LEC", and "WALL100C.LEC". If you subsequently reenter the ECO Input program to create a fourth wall ECO and use the name "WALL" again, the new ECO file will be called "WALL100A.LEC" and will overwrite the first ECO file.

This concludes the presentation of the ECO Input program. Create ECO Input files for all ECOs that you will model. The files will be on the data subdirectory.

You are now ready to perform the calculations. Enter the Specify Analysis program and enter the base-case files and ECO modifications to be analyzed. Refer to Chapter 11 for instructions on the Specify Analysis procedure.

