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THE
COMPUTER PROGRAM
FOR FACILITY/HVAC
DESIGN AND ENERGY
ANALYSIS

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GARD, INC.

What Is SCOUT?

SCOUT is a versatile building design and energy analysis tool which has embodied within it ASHRAE state-of-the-art techniques for performing thermal load calculation and energy usage predictions. SCOUT is actually a series of individual computer programs described below:

1. DATA CHECK

Interrogates card input data to prevent errors.

2. LOAD ANALYSIS

Performs hourly transient heat transfer calculations for each building space utilizing actual hourly recorded weather or design day data, geometry and construction of the building, scheduled internal loads and astronomy of the sun.

3. RESPONSE FACTOR

For wall or roof structures different from the typical ones built into SCOUT, the Response Factor Program, using a layer-by-layer description of the surface, will calculate and output the set of response factors required to perform transient heat transfer analysis.

4. TEMPERATURE VARIATION

Modifies the thermal loads calculated above to account for temperature swings occurring within each space due to thermostat action, equipment capacity and equipment scheduling.

5. SYSTEMS ANALYSIS

For a specified type of distribution system allocation and type of energy conversion equipment, this program determines the total load on each distribution system, transfers it to the energy conversion equipment, and, based upon part load efficiencies, determines the building's monthly demand and consumption of all forms of fuels and energy.

6. LIFE CYCLE COSTS

For the expected life of the building, it calculates the expected annual expenditures to own and operate the building utility systems. Calculates payback period to compare alternatives.

Why Use SCOUT?

SCOUT is the most powerful and versatile energy analysis program available. Much of the thinking behind SCOUT is based on NECAP (NASA's Energy/Cost Analysis Program) that GARD developed for NASA. It gives you the options to make the analysis as simple or as sophisticated and complete as you need to make it. It is surprisingly economical to use. SCOUT is not a "black box." It is fully documented and supported by GARD. SCOUT users are kept informed of new improvements and changes. Experienced GARD engineers stand ready to answer your questions, to assist you if needed, and to suggest approaches to handle your unusual problems.

What Makes SCOUT Unique?

SCOUT is unique among all other energy analysis programs presently on the market because of the thorough engineering treatment that it gives to all aspects of the energy analysis problem. The features which make SCOUT the superior program include:

 TRANSIENT HEAT TRANSFER ANALYSIS Most programs use the 1972 ASHRAE design load calculation procedure along with various interpolation algorithms to project design load points into hourly load data. SCOUT uses ASHRAE's "Procedures for Determining Heating and Cooling Loads For Computerized Energy Calculations." The heart of these procedures is the response factor method used to calculate transient heat flow through exterior wall and roof sections. Briefly, the response factor technique requires the description of thermal properties of each wall or roof layer so that the heat flux factors for the outer layer, inner layer and through the surface can be properly calculated as a function of time. These three sets of heat flux factors are commonly referred to as the X (outer), Y (through), and Z (inner) time response series. They can be depicted as indicated below.

Unit temperature pulse at a surface Heat flux out of surface A due to a unit temperature pulse at surface A Heat flux out of surface A due to a unit temperature pulse at surface E FLUX HEAT 0 2△ 3△ 6 1△ 4△ 5∧ TIME The values of ordinates at $n \triangle$, where n is an integer, are the wall thermal response

These response characteristics for a given wall or roof construction need only be determined once for a unit temperature and then each hour multiplied by the actual temperature pulse to get the surface heat flux at succeeding time increments. Since the temperature pulse is continually changing, the net heat flux at any point in time is the sum of the temperature pulse effects for all hours previous.

- ALGORITHMS PUBLISHED BY ASHRAE SCOUT's Load Analysis Program and Systems Analysis Program are based upon ASHRAE's algorithms published in
 - "Procedures For Determining Heating and Cooling Loads for Computerized Energy Calculations," ASHRAE, 1975.
 - "Procedures For Simulating The Performance of Components and Systems For Energy Calculations," ASHRAE, 1975.

HOURLY BUILDING & SYSTEM SIMULATION USING ACTUAL WEATHER DATA

SCOUT's Load Program does not perform an abbreviated hourly analysis as some programs do, but rather an 8760 hour building simulation using actual weather data. When performing a transient heat transfer analysis, you cannot compromise on this matter. In like manner, the Systems Analysis Program also performs an hourly simulation of the systems and equipment. There have been no compromises made anywhere, the latest state-of-the-art is represented in SCOUT. The level of sophistication is consistent throughout the program series.

TEMPERATURE VARIATION ANALYSIS

To investigate the effects of thermostat type (floating, deadband, throttling, seasonal, etc.), operating range, equipment undersizing and equipment operating schedules, the Load Analysis Program need not be rerun each time, but an interface program called the Temperature Variation Program can be used to create a corrected set of hourly loads to be used for the system and equipment simulation. This program allows the user to follow temperature variations within a space or ceiling plenum during conditioned and unconditioned periods. No other program on the market offers this feature, yet it is an extremely valuable design tool.

OPTIONAL SHADOW ANALYSIS

Buildings are now being designed to take advantage of solar shading, not just localized shading but the shading of one building section by another building section. Some programs allow for treatment of localized shading but none the latter. SCOUT allows both and will even give you a picture of what is taking place at any hour.

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COMPREHENSIVE LIBRARY OF SYSTEMS FOR SIMULATION

A large portion of a building's energy requirement stems from the operating inefficiencies inherent in its environmental control system. HVAC system and equipment characteristics and their corresponding economies may now be quantified for your specific application with SCOUT's Systems Analysis Program.

ENERGY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS

The Program includes capability to simulate all commonly used distribution systems. Also included is the ability to vary number of parameters for each system. This allows the user to make minor modifications or "fine tune" a given configuration.

ENERGY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS SIMULATED

Single Zone Fan System with Face and By-pass Dampers

Multi-Zone Fan System

Dual Duct Fan System

Single Zone Fan System with Sub-Zone Reheat

Unit Ventilator

Unit Heater

Floor Panel Heating

Two-pipe Fancoil System

Four-pipe Fancoil System

Two-pipe Induction Unit Fan System

Four-pipe Induction Unit Fan System

Variable Volume Fan System with Optional Reheat

Constant Volume Reheat Fan System

OPTIONS WITHIN A GIVEN DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Relative humidity set-point
AHU discharge temperature
AHU discharge temperature control mode
Pre-sizing of supply air quantities
Outside air volume
Outside/Return air control
VAV fan control
Heat recovery (sensible and/or latent)
Baseboard heating

Hot water temperature

ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS
Simulations of the following major equipment are offered:

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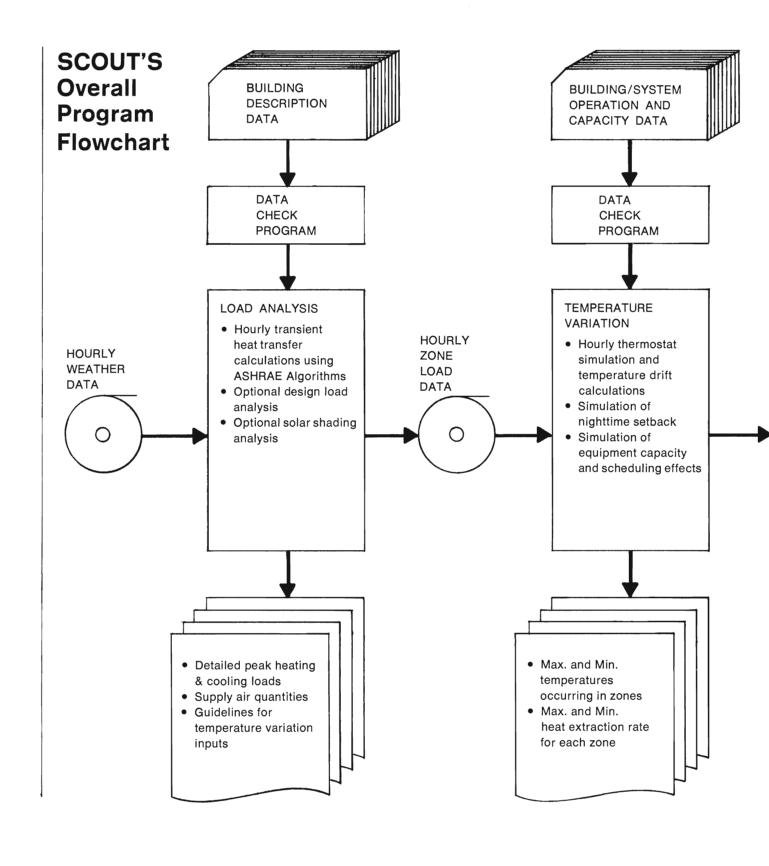
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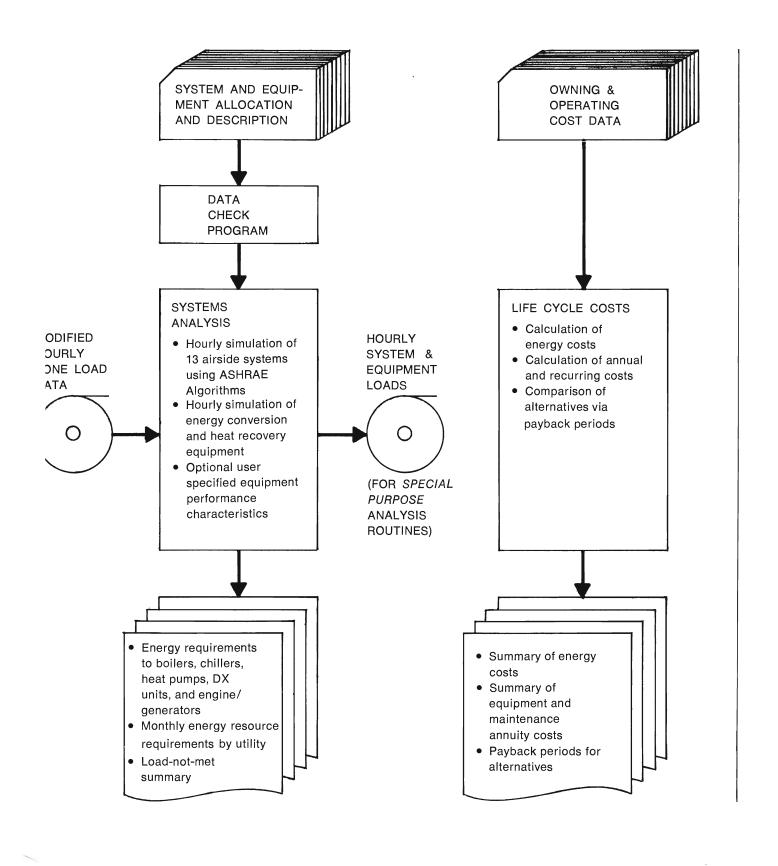
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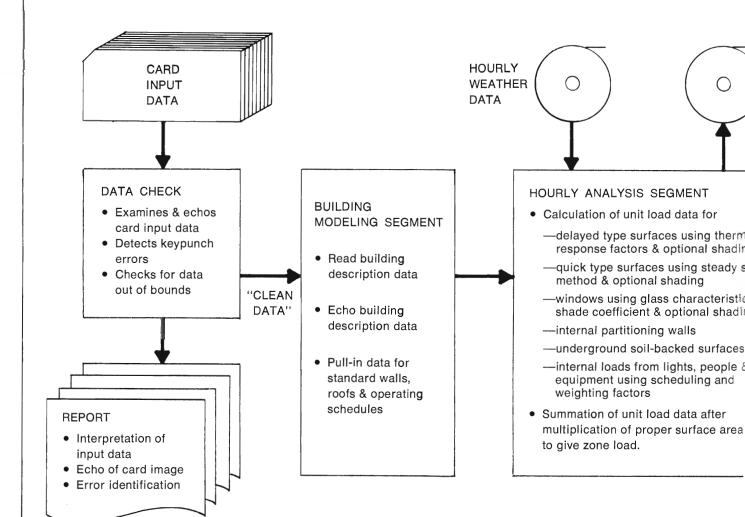
Engine/Generator Sets

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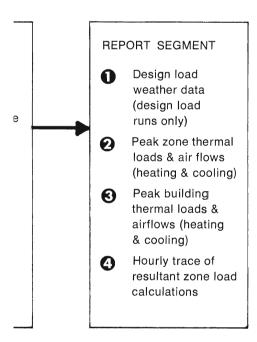


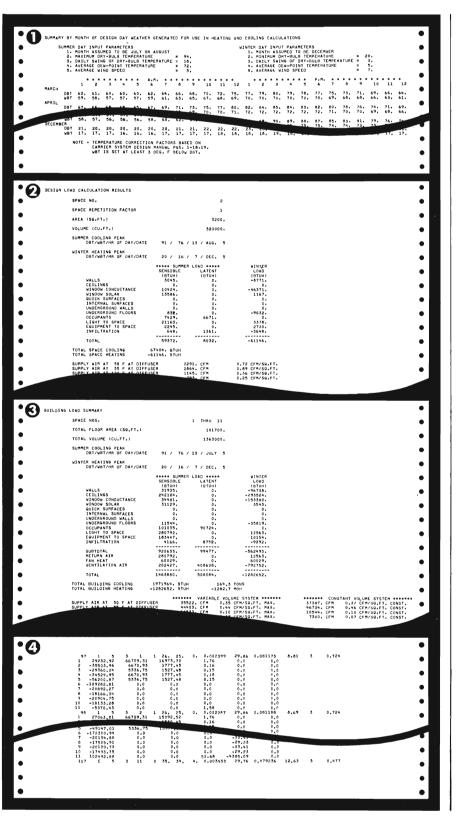


SCOUT: Load Analysis Program



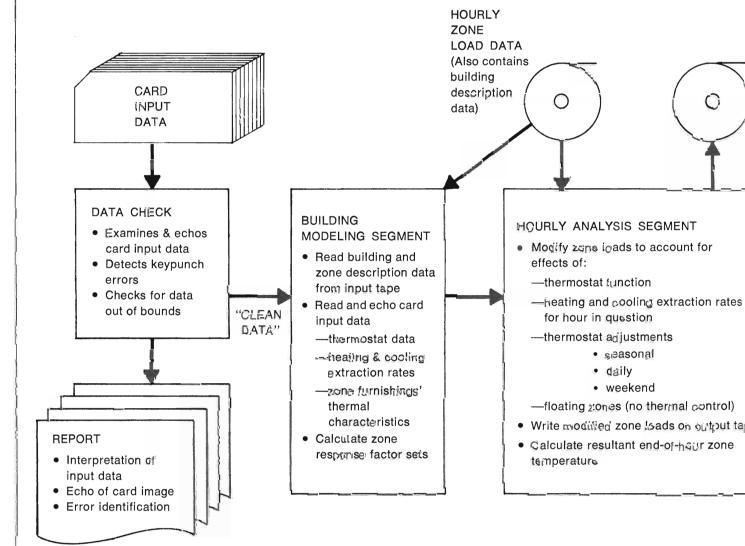
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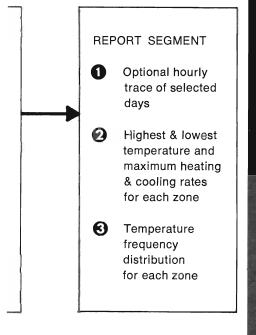


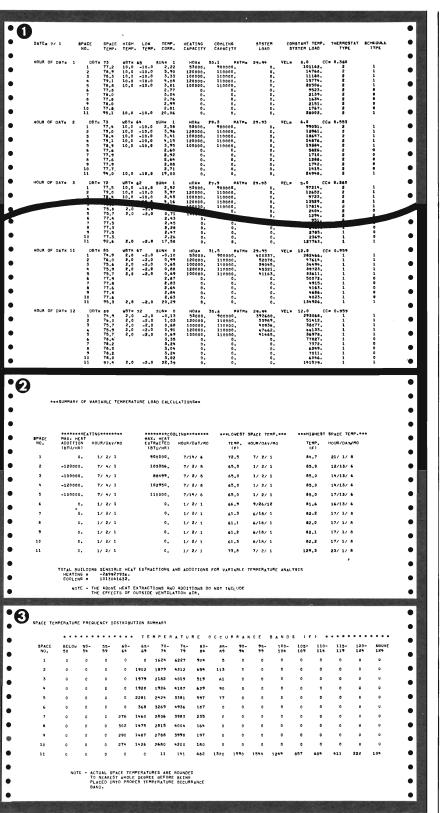
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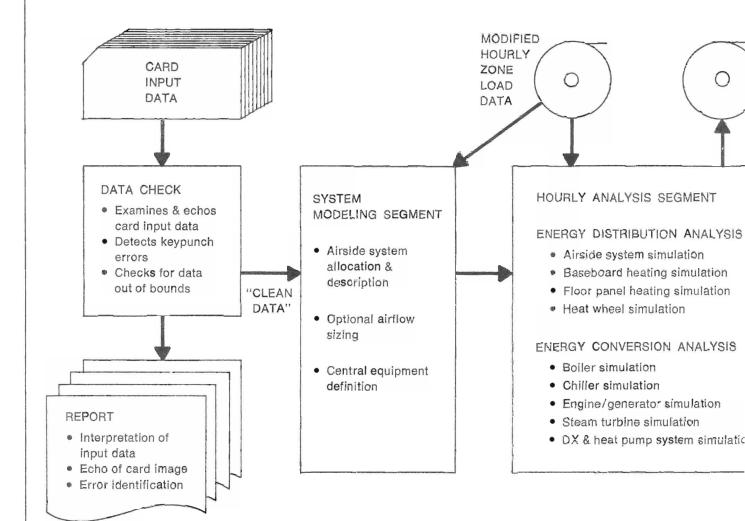
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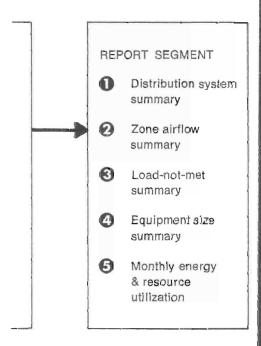


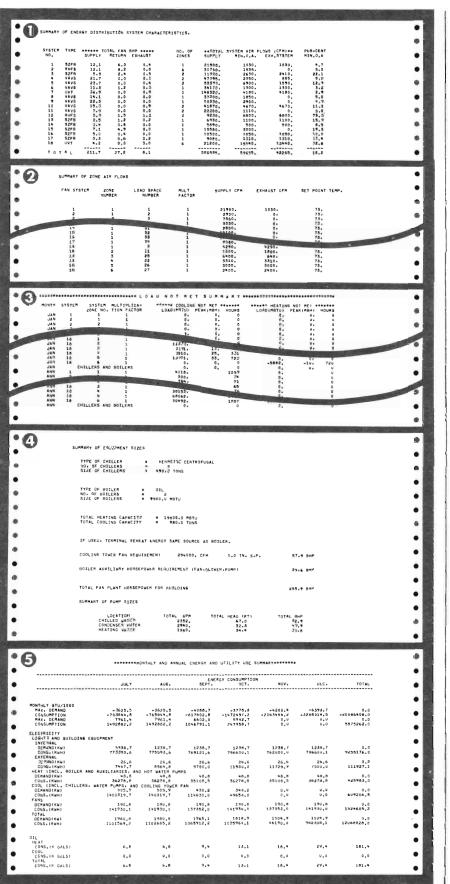
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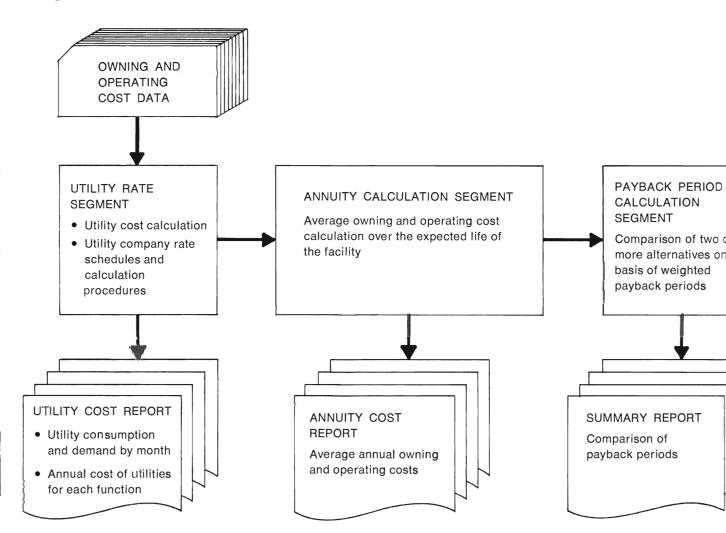


HOURLY SYSTEM AND EQUIPMENT LOADS





SCOUT: Life Cycle Costs Program



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EXAMPLE OUTPUTS

How Can You Utilize SCOUT?

Some clients wish to access SCOUT through their terminals. Others desire varying levels of assistance from GARD in executing SCOUT. In order to fully respond to such varying needs GARD offers a full range of services. Specifically, a potential user may:

- Access and use SCOUT on a remote access nationwide computer network. (This service will commence on January 1, 1976.)
- Perform his own data take-off and retain GARD's services to execute SCOUT, to interpret results, and to provide consultation. These services are available both on "Time & Material" and Fixed-Price basis.
- Retain GARD's services to conduct a complete facility/system design and energy analysis program.

In order to facilitate user preparation of data, easy-to-follow input forms have been developed and are available. SCOUT users are provided copies of Input Instruction Manuals and Applications Manuals including system diagrams, sample problems, and guides for interpreting results. They are periodically notified of program improvements and training seminars.

What Will It Cost To Use SCOUT?

SCOUT is an accurate and thorough yet streamlined program designed to be utilized at minimum cost. The cost of running SCOUT depends primarily on the complexity of the building. The principal ingredient of this is the number of zones being considered and to a lesser extent, the number of delayed surfaces, and wall types. Use of optional shading and number of energy distribution systems also impact the cost figure. For example, a five-zone building with one energy distribution system may be run for under \$200 with the user doing the data take-off. More complex buildings will be more costly to run. Jobs in which GARD's services are directly required will be quoted on a per-job basis.

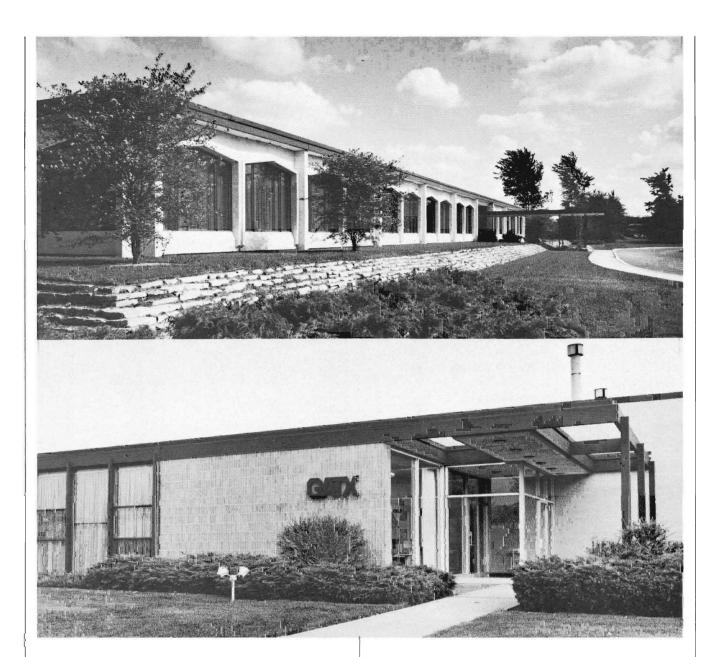
If you have a current need for SCOUT or if you desire additional information, please call our SCOUT Support Team at (312) 647-9000.

What Is GARD's Background In Energy Analysis?

GARD has extensive experience in the development, support, and application of computerized energy analysis programs, dating back to 1968 when it began work on the U. S. Postal Service Program. Since that time GARD has developed similar programs for various government agencies and private firms including NASA, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mammoth Division of Lear Siegler and two utility associations. Most other proprietary programs presently being offered are modifications or simplifications of one or more of the above. GARD engineers have been members of ASHRAE Task Groups and Technical Committees and have been directly involved in the preparation of such ASHRAE publications as:

- "Procedures for Determining Heating And Cooling Loads for Computerized Energy Calculations."
- "Procedures For Simulating The Performance Of Components And Systems For Energy Calculations."

With SCOUT, GARD offers to the engineering community, a powerful energy conservation, design, analysis and research tool containing the capabilities of the aforementioned programs, and makes available to you the results of a decade of extensive research, development, testing and application experience in the facility/HVAC design and energy analysis field—in a surprisingly economical way.



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