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GEORGIA TECH RESEARCHER WINS DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AWARD

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A Georgia Tech researcher has won a national award for innovation for his work in helping contractors build more energy efficient homes.

The Department of Energy (DOE) honored Thomas F. McGowan, director of Georgia Tech's Energy Technology Branch, at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., October 1.

For the past six years, McGowan has directed a program sponsored by the Georgia Office of Energy Resources which provides a variety of resources on energy-efficient construction to Georgia home builders.

They include a free book, entitled Building and Marketing the Energy Efficient Home, a three hour slide show and workshop on the same subject and a recent fact sheet, Choosing a Home Heating System. In addition, McGowan has addressed approximately 30 groups of builders and last year spoke to 200 vocational education teachers in the state. He also has led workshops for owner/builders.

These materials are still available through the Georgia Office of Energy Resources. Further information is available at 656-5176. OWECHA

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