# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §5B-2A-3

**§5B-2A-3. Definitions.**

(a) For the purpose of this article:

(1) "Department" means the Department of Environmental Protection established in §22-1-1 *et seq*. of this code;

(2) "Office" means the Office of Energy established in §5B-2F-1 *et seq*. of this code;

(3) "Operator" means the definition in §22-3-3 of this code;

(4) "Program" means the Coalfield Community Development Program within the Office of Energy;

(5) "Alternative energy" means energy produced or generated from natural or replenishable resources other than traditional fossil fuels or nuclear resources and includes, without limitation, hydropower, geothermal energy, biomass energy, biologically derived fuels, energy produced with advanced coal technologies, coalbed methane, fuel produced by a coal gasification or liquefaction facility, synthetic gas, waste coal, tire-derived fuel, pumped storage hydroelectric power or similar energy sources; and

(6) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Department of Commerce.

(b) Unless used in a context that clearly requires a different meaning or as otherwise defined herein, terms used in this article shall have the definitions set forth in this section.

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