DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Program Name: Low Income Home Energy Assistance

Grantee Name: SOCIAL SERVICES SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT

Report Name: DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

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Mandatory Grant Application SF-424

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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN SF - 424 - MANDATORY

		* 1.b. Frequency: Annual	Plan/F	* 1.c. Consolidated Application/ Plan/Funding Request? Explanation: 2. Date Received:		*1.d. Version: Initial Resubmission Revision Update State Use Only:	
			3. App	icant Identifie	r:		
				que Entity Ide BCML619	entifier (UEI)	5. Date Received By State:	
			4b. Fed	leral Award Id	lentifier:	6. State Application Identifier:	
7. APPLICANT INFO	ORMATION						
* a. Legal Name: Stat	te of South Dak	cota - Department of Social Services					
* b. Address:			111	•	<u> </u>		
* Street 1:	700 Governo	rs Drive		et 2:			
* City:	PIERRE			nty:			
* State:	SD			vince:			
* Country:			* Zi Code:	p / Postal	57501 -		
c. Organizational U	J nit:						
Department Name Social Services	:		Division Name: Economic Assistance				
		person to be contacted on matters in t of Health and Human Services' LII				be listed on Notice of Funding	
* First Name: David			* Last Name: Gall				
Title: Program Administrate	or		Organizational Affiliation:				
* Telephone Number: (605) 773-3766	•		Fax Number				
* Email: david.gall@state.sd.u	s						
* 8. TYPE OF APPLI A: State Government	ICANT:						
* a. Is the applican	t a Tribal Con	sortium: O Yes O No					
* b. If yes please at	tach at least or	ne the following documentation:					
		Catalog of Federal Domes Assistance Number:	stic		CFDA Title:		
9. CFDA Numbers and	Titles	93.568	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program				
10. DESCRIPTIVE T Assist eligible low-in-	-	PLICANT'S PROJECT: ds with energy bills					
11. AREAS AFFECT	ED BY FUND	ING:					
12. CONGRESSIONA	AL DISTRICT	S OF APPLICANT:					
13. FUNDING PERIO	OD:						
a. Start Date: 10/01/2024			b. End 09/01/2				
* 14. IS SUBMISSION	N SUBJECT T	O REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EX	XECUTI	VE ORDER 1	2372 PROCES	SS?	
a. This submission was made available to the State under Executive C			Order 12372				

Process for review on:						
b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for review.	b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for review.					
c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.						
15. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? ○ YES • NO						
If Yes, explain:	If Yes, explain:					
16. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001) **I Agree						
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.						
17a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official	17c. Telephone (area code, number and extension)					
	17d. Email Address					
17b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	17e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)					

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Section 1 - Program Components

THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT OF 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13)Use of this model plan is optional. However, the information requested is required in order to receive a Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Section 1 Program Components				
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	gram Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)	D	2	
(No	Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. te: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in plan.)	Dates of C	Operation	
		Start Date	End Date	
>	Heating assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025	
	Cooling assistance			
	Summer crisis assistance			
	Winter crisis assistance			
>	Year-round crisis assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025	
	Weatherization assistance			
Pro	vide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary			
Esti	mated Funding Allocation, 2604(C), 2605(k)(1), 2605(b)(9), 2605(b)(16) - Assurances 9 and 16			
1.2 I	Estimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: total of all percentages must add up to 100%.	Percentage (%)	Prior year totals	
Н	leating assistance	70.00%	68.00%	
С	ooling assistance	0.00%	0.00%	
S	ummer crisis assistance	0.00%	20.00%	
V	Vinter crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%	
Y	ear-round crisis assistance	18.00%	0.00%	
V	Veatherization assistance	0.00%	0.00%	
С	arryover to the following federal fiscal year	0.00%	0.00%	
A	dministrative and planning costs	10.00%	10.00%	
S	ervices to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)	0.00%	2.00%	
U	sed to develop and implement leveraging activities	0.00%	0.00%	
тот	TAL	98.00%	100.00%	

Tribal grant recipients: direct-grant tribes, tribal organizations, or territories with allotments of \$20,000 or less may use for planning and administration up to 20% of the funds payable. Grant recipients that are direct grant tribes, tribal organizations, or territories with allotments over \$20,000 may use for planning and administration purposes up to 20% of the first \$20,000 (or \$4,000) plus 10% of the funds payable that exceeds \$20,000. Any administrative costs in excess of these limits must be paid from non-federal sources.

	Heating assistance			Cooling a	ssistance					
	Weatherization assis	stance		Other (sp	ecify:)					
	<u> </u>		.!!							
	, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assurance 2									
1.4 Do you consider he in the left column belo	ouseholds categorically eligibles ow? • Yes No	le if at least one housel	nold member receives	at least one of the foll	owing categories of benefits					
	' to question 1.4, you must co	mplete the table below	and answer questions	1.5 and 1.6.						
-		Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization					
TANF		C Yes O No	CYes ⊙No	C Yes O No	C Yes C No					
SSI		C Yes O No	CYes O No	C Yes O No	C Yes C No					
SNAP		⊙ Yes CNo	C Yes O No	• Yes O No	C Yes C No					
Means-tested Veterans P	rograms	C Yes C No	O Yes O No	C Yes C No	C Yes C No					
1 4a - Provide vour	definition of categorical eligi									
assistance benef	rically income eligible," if all in its, the household is deemed in	come eligible for the lo	w income energy assists		pplemental nutrition					
1.5 Do you automatica If Yes, explain:	ally enroll households without	a direct annual applic	cation? • Yes No							
either to income file. The match Energy Assistan 3) All other hou household comp	useholds with this updated infor- or household composition. 2) is based on individual recipient ice workers verify income, addresseholds are sent a LIEAP appli- position, heat and electric information.	A match is done with the id numbers to ensure the ress, and household concation and are required mation is still accurate.	e previous years LIHEA ne household composition nposition in the SNAP e to provide updated inco	AP eligible household lon is the same as the L ligibility system and if me verifications as we	list and the SNAP eligibility IEAP composition. The eligible, approve their case. Il as verify that their					
required to verif programs admin determination po other systems ac	Ty the amount of those benefits istered by the State of South D eriod, shall not be required to re dministered by the State of Sou	because the information akota that have already e-verify that income if the th Dakota is considered	n is accessible to LIHEA verified household income he information is access part of the client file. L	AP staff. Households re ome received within the sible to LIHEAP staff. IHEAP eligibility staff.	Households receiving benefits through programs administered by the State of South Dakota, such as TANF, child support, shall not be required to verify the amount of those benefits because the information is accessible to LIHEAP staff. Households receiving benefits through programs administered by the State of South Dakota that have already verified household income received within the LIHEAP eligibility determination period, shall not be required to re-verify that income if the information is accessible to LIHEAP staff. Verification contained in other systems administered by the State of South Dakota is considered part of the client file. LIHEAP eligibility staff narrate how the information was verified using the worksheet and/or narrative on the LIHEAP eligibility system. LIHEAP staff request the household provide additional information regarding income or household composition if LIHEAP staff determine the request is necessary for accurately determining eligibility.					
SNAP Nominal Paymo	ents									
1.7a Do you allocate LIHEAP funds toward a nominal payment for SNAP households? C Yes O No										
If you answered "Yes" to question 1.7a, you must provide a response to questions 1.7b, 1.7c, and 1.7d.										
If you answered "Yes"	' to question 1.7a, you must p									
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If you answered "Yes" 1.7b Amount of Nomin 1.7c Frequency of Assi	to question 1.7a, you must p									
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If you answered "Yes" 1.7b Amount of Nomin 1.7c Frequency of Assi	' to question 1.7a, you must p nal Assistance: \$0.00 istance									
If you answered "Yes' 1.7b Amount of Nomin 1.7c Frequency of Ass Once Per Year	' to question 1.7a, you must p nal Assistance: \$0.00 istance years									
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106	Valent all the applicable forms of countable income and to determine a householdle income distribition for LUICAD
<u> </u>	Select all the applicable forms of countable income used to determine a household's income eligibility for LIHEAP
>	Wages
>	Self - Employment Income
>	Contract Income
	Payments from mortgage or Sales Contracts
V	Unemployment insurance
V	Strike Pay
V	Social Security Administration (SSA) benefits
	✓ Including MediCare deduction Excluding MediCare deduction
~	Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
~	Retirement / pension benefits
~	General Assistance benefits
~	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits
	Loans that need to be repaid
	Cash gifts
	Savings account balance
	One-time lump-sum payments, such as rebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.
>	Jury duty compensation
~	Rental income
	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)
	Income from work study programs
>	Alimony
>	Child support
	Interest, dividends, or royalties
>	Commissions
	Legal settlements
	Insurance payments made directly to the insured
	Insurance payments made specifically for the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate
>	Veterans Administration (VA) benefits
	Earned income of a child under the age of 18

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	Balance of	retirement, pension, or annuity accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.			
	Income tax refunds				
	Stipends f	rom senior companion programs, such as VISTA			
>	Funds rec	eived by household for the care of a foster child			
	Ameri-Co	rp Program payments for living allowances, earnings, and in-kind aid			
	Reimburse	ements (for mileage, gas, lodging, meals, etc.)			
	Other				
		e above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in rovided, attach a document with said explanation here.			
1.10	Do you have	e an online application process Yes No			
1.1	0a If yes, d	escribe the type of online application (Select all boxes that apply)			
>		A PDF version of the application is available online and can be downloaded, filled out and mailed in for processing.			
~		A state-wide online application that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.			
		One or more locally available online applications that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.			
>		Online application that is also mobile friendly			
		Other, please describe			
Pleas	e include a	link(s) to a statewide application, if available:			
	htt	ps://www.sd.gov/cs?id=sc_cat_item&sys_id=a254bd6edbf7f410b2fb93d4f3961974			
1.10b	Can all pr	ogram components be applied for online? O Yes O No			
If no	explain wh	ich components can and cannot be applied for online.			
	Fu	rnace Repair/Replacement			
1.11	Do you have	e a process for conducting and completing applications by phone © Yes O No			
1.12	Do you or a	ny of your subrecipients require in person appointments in order to apply C Yes 🔞 No			
		ovide more information regarding why in-person appointments are required and in what circumstances they are required.			
1.13	How can ap	plicants submit documentation for verification? Select all that apply:			
>		In-person			
>		Mail			
>		Email			
>		Portal application			
		Other, please describe			

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Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE

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Section 2 - Heating Assistance

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Eligibility, 20	505(b)(2) - Assurance 2				
2.1 Designate	the income eligibility threshold used for	the heating c	omponent:		
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold	
1	1		HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%	
2	2		HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%	
3	3		HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%	
4	4		HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%	
5	5		HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%	
6	6		State Median Income	199.54%	
7	7		State Median Income	180.89%	
8	8		State Median Income	166.04%	
9	9		State Median Income	153.94%	
10	10		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
2.2 Do you he Heating Assi	ave additional eligibility requirements fo stance?	r O Yes	⊙ No		
2.3 Check th	e appropriate boxes below and describe t	the policies for	each.		
Do you requi	re an Assets test?	C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, descri	be: Do you have additional/differing eligi	ibility policies	for:		
Renter	s?	C Yes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:				
Renter	s Living in subsidized housing?	Cyes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:				
Renter	s with utilities included in the rent?	⊙ Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, descri	be:				
house	For households that have utilities included holds that pay a vendor directly.	l in rent, they l	nave different benefit amounts than		
Do you give p	priority in eligibility to:				
Older A	Adults (60 years or older)?	C Yes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:	*			
Individ	uals with a disability?	C Yes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:	*			
Young	children?	C Yes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:				
Housel	nolds with high energy burdens?	C Yes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:				
Other?		C Yes	€ No		
If yes, descri	be:				
Explanations	of policies for each "yes" checked above	e:			
Determination	on of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2	605(c)(1)(B)			

2.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of heating assistance to vulnerable populations, e.g., benefited.	it amounts, early application periods,
Households that received assistance the previous Winter were automatically rolled forward to the determined utilizing electronic resources to determine income, once income eligibility was determined let the heating information has not changed.	
2.5 Check the variables you use to determine your benefit levels. (Check all that apply):	
☑ Income	
Family (household) size	
✓ Home energy cost or need:	
✓ Fuel type	
✓ Climate/region	
Individual bill	
Dwelling type	
Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)	
Energy need	
Other - Describe:	
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)	
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the fiscal year for which this plan applies. Please note: the maximus shown in the payment matrix.	um and minimum benefits must be
Minimum Benefit \$668 Maximum Benefit	\$3,437
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, space heaters) and/or other forms of benefits?2 C Yes O No	JIL
If yes, describe.	
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification	that could not be made in
the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.	i that come not be made in

Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE

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Section 3 - Cooling Assistance

Section 3 - Cooling Assistance					
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2				
3.1 Designate Th	e income eligibility threshold used for th	ne Cooling	component:		
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Thresho	old
1					0.00%
3.2 Do you have a Cooling assistant	additional eligibility requirements for ee?	CYes	C _{No}		
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the	policies for	each.		
Do you require a	n Assets test?	C Yes	C No		
If yes, describe:					
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:				
Renters?		C Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:					
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing?	C Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:		-			
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent?	C Yes	O _{No}		
If yes, describe:		•			
Do you give prior	rity in eligibility to:				
Older Adu	lts (60 years or older)?	C Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:					
Individuals	s with a disability?	C Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:					
Young chil	dren?	Cyes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:					
Households	s with high energy burdens?	C Yes	CNo		
If yes, describe:					
Other?		O Yes	ONo		
If yes, describe:					
	policies for each "yes" checked above:				
	•	assistance t	o vulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amo	unts, early application pe	eriods,
Determination of	f Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605	5(c)(1)(B)			
3.5 Check the var	riables you use to determine your benefi	it levels. (C	Theck all that apply):		
Income					
	usehold) size				
	gy cost or need:				
Fuel	type				
	nate/region				
	vidual bill				
Indi	viuual DIII				

Dwelling type						
Energy burden (% of income sp	ent on home energy)					
Energy need						
Other - Describe:						
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)						
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the f shown in the payment matrix.	iscal year for which this plar	a applies. Please note: the maximum and min	nimum benefits must l	be		
Minimum Benefit	\$0	Maximum Benefit	\$0			
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air cor	nditioners) and/or other form	ns of benefits? O Yes O No				
If yes, describe.						
_	If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.					

Section 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE

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Section 4 - Crisis Assistance

Section 4: CRISIS ASSISTANCE

Eligibility - 2604(c), 2605(c)(1)(A)

4.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the crisis component

Add	Household size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold
1	1	HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%
2	2	HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%
3	3	HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%
4	4	HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%
5	5	HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%
6	6	State Median Income	199.54%
7	7	State Median Income	180.89%
8	8	State Median Income	166.04%
9	9	State Median Income	153.94%
10	10	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%

4.2 Provide your LIHEAP program's definition for determining a crisis.

If you administer multiple crisis assistance programs (winter, summer, and/or year-round), Include all program definitions.

Households must meet one of the following conditions for the period of October 1 – March 31-Supplier refuses to deliver-Household has an overdue bill from supplier-Heating system requires repair or replacement-Household has less than 20% remaining in tank-Household has a disconnect notice or has already been disconnected-Household has an eviction notice for non-payment when heat is included in rent or paid in addition to rent Period of April 1 - September 30 -Household has an electric disconnect notice or has already been disconnected.

Furnace Repair/Replacement is available year round or until the funds allocated are exhausted.

4.3 What constitutes a life-threatening crisis?

An eligible household must receive some form of assistance no later than 18 hours after the household applies for emergency assistance. Life threatening situations include-

An eligible household must receive some form of assistance no later than 18 hours after the household applies for emergency assistance. Life threatening situations include

- 1. No heat in home due to primary heat source or electricity being disconnected
- 2. No heat in home due to furnace not operating
- 3. Household does not have alternate or temporary heat source4. Temperature is or will be less than 50 degrees within the 18 hour timeframe

Crisis Requirement, 2604(c)

- 4.4 Within how many hours do you provide an intervention that will resolve the energy crisis for eligible households? 48Hours
- 4.5 Within how many hours do you provide an intervention that will resolve the energy crisis for eligible households in life-threatening situations? 18Hours

Crisis Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A)					
		Summer Crisis	Year-Round Crisis		
4.6 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for Crisis Assistance?					

4.7 Check the appropriate boxes below to indicate type(s) of assistance provided

0	0				
Do you require an Assets test?					
Do you give pr	iority in eligibility to:	(r			
Older Ac	Older Adults (60 years or older)?				
Individu	als with a disability?				
Young C	hildren?				
Househo	lds with high energy burdens?				
Other (S	pecify): All crisis households are priority			~	
In Order to re	ceive crisis assistance:	1		1	
Must the	household have received a shut-off notice or have a near empty tank?			~	
Must the	household have been shut off or have an empty tank?			~	
Must the	household have exhausted their regular heating benefit?				
Must ren	nters with heating costs included in their rent have received an eviction notice?			~	
Must hea	ating/cooling be medically necessary?				
Must the	household have non-working heating or cooling equipment?			~	
Other (S	pecify):				
Do you have a	dditional/differing eligibility policies for:		, .	T.	
Renters?	•				
Renters	living in subsidized housing?				
Renters	with utilities included in the rent?				
Explanations of	f policies for each "yes" checked above:				
	u handle crisis situations?				
V	Separate component				
	Benefit Fast Track, no separate amount of crisis funds is issued. Rather benefits are issued to crisis customers within crisis response time frames.				
Other - Describe:					
4.9 If you have	a separate component, how do you determine crisis assistance benefits?				
Amount to resolve the crisis. \$0					
Other - Describe: Up to \$2,400					
Crisis Require	ments, 2604(c)				
4.10 Do you ac	cept applications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographically accessi	ble to all househ	olds in the ar	ea to be served?	
⊙ Yes ○	No Explain.				
-	There are 64 local DSS offices that applications can be taken to and faxed/scanned to our	r office in case of	an crisis.		
4.11 Do you pr	ovide individuals who are individuals with a disability the means to:				
Submit applications for crisis benefits without leaving their homes?					
⊙ Yes ○					
If No, explain. If necessary, local DSS staff will travel to home to assist with the application and then ensure it is sent to the State office.					
Travel to the sites at which applications for crisis assistance are accepted?					
C Yes ⊙ No					
If No, explain					
	d "No" to both options in question 4.11, please explain alternative means of intake	to those who are	homebound	or physically	
disabled?					

Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for each type o	f crisis assis	tance offere			
Winter Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit	1 Crisic document	tunec orier :			
Summer Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit					
Year-round Crisis \$2,400.00 maximum ben	efit				
4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space h		and/or othe	er forms of benefits?		
○ Yes No If yes, Describe					
4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or repla	cement usin	g crisis fund	is?		
€ Yes € No					
If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14, you must	complete qu	estion 4.15.			
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below to indicate ty	pe(s) of assis	stance provi	ded.		
	Winter	Summer	Year-round Crisis		
	Crisis	Crisis			
Heating system repair			>		
Heating system replacement			V		
Cooling system repair					
Cooling system replacement					
Wood stove purchase					
Pellet stove purchase					
Solar panel(s)					
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups					
Other (Specify):			▽		
If a furnace is replaced and existing AC unit is not compatible, the AC unit may be replaced with emergency funds as well.					
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with e	nforce a mo	ratorium on	shut offs?		
C Yes ⊙ No					
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must	respond to	question 4.1	7.		
4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and any special dispensation received by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.					
no. 2000 to the morniorium and any special dispersation received by Extreme during of after the morniorium period.					
4.18 If you experience a natural disaster, do you intend to utilize LIHEAP crisis funds to address disaster related crisis situations? © Yes No					
If yes, describe					
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in					

Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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Section 5 - Weatherization Assistance

Section 5: WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE					
Eligibility, 2605(c	(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assur	rance 2			
5.1 Designate the	income eligibility thresho	ld used for the Weather	ization component		
Add	Househo	old Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold	
1				0.00%	
5.2 Do you enter i No	into an interagency agreer	nent to have another go	vernment agency administer a WEATF	HERIZATION component? O Yes	
5.3 If yes, name th	ne agency and attach a co	py of the Internal Agree	ment or Contract.		
5.4 Is there a sepa	rate monitoring protocol	for weatherization? 🗖	Yes ONo		
WEATHERIZAT	TION - Types of Rules				
	ules do you administer LI	HEAP weatherization?	(Check only one.)		
	der LIHEAP (not DOE) r		(
Entirely un	der DOE WAP (not LIHE	EAP) rules			
Mostly und	er LIHEAP rules with the	following DOE WAP r	ule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules of	differ (Check all that apply):	
Incom	ne Threshold				
	herization of entire multi- vill become eligible within		e is permitted if at least 66% of units (5	50% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are	
Weatl care facilities).	herize shelters temporaril	y housing primarily low	income persons (excluding nursing hor	mes, prisons, and similar institutional	
Other	Other - Describe:				
Mostly und	er DOE WAP rules, with	the following LIHEAP 1	rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules	differ (Check all that apply.)	
Incom	ne Threshold				
Weatl	herization not subject to I	OOE WAP maximum sta	atewide average cost per dwelling unit.		
Weatl	herization measures are n	ot subject to DOE Savir	ngs to Investment Ration (SIR) standar	rds.	
Other	- Describe:				
Eligibility, 2605(b	Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5				
5.6 Do you requir	5.6 Do you require an assets test? C Yes C No				
5.7 Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for :					
Renters		C Yes C No			
Renters living housing?	ng in subsidized	C Yes C No			
Renters with rent?	h utilities included in the	C Yes C No			
5.8 Do you give p	riority in eligibility to:				
Older Adult	ts?	C Yes C No			
Individuals	with a disability?	O Yes O No			
Young Children? C Yes C No					
House holds	House holds with high energy C Yes C No				

burdens?			
Other?	O Yes O No		
If you selected "Yes" for any of the obelow.	pptions in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8,	you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field	
Benefit Levels			
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEA	P weatherization benefit/expenditu	rre per household? O Yes O No	
5.9a If yes, what is the maximum?	\$0		
5.10 Do you use an Average Cost per	Unit (ACPU). O Yes O No		
5.10a If so, what is the ACPU amou	unt? \$0		
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) &	k (D)		
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization n	neasures do you provide ? (Check	all categories that apply.)	
Weatherization needs assessm	nents/audits	Energy related roof repair	
Caulking and insulation		Major appliance repairs	
Storm windows		Major appliance replacement	
Furnace/heating system modif	fications/repairs	Windows/sliding glass doors	
Furnace replacement		Doors	
Cooling system modifications/	repairs/	Water Heater	
Water conservation measures		Cooling system replacement	
Roof top solar		Community solar projects	
Compact florescent light bulb	s	Other - Describe:	
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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 6 - Outreach

Section 6: Outreach, 2605(b)(3) - Assurance 3, 2605(c)(3)(A)					
6.1 Select all outreach activities that you conduct that are designed to assure that eligible households are made aware of all LIHEA available:	6.1 Select all outreach activities that you conduct that are designed to assure that eligible households are made aware of all LIHEAP assistance available:				
Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc.					
Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements.					
✓ Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance.					
Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients.					
Inform low income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance at application intake for other low-income programs.					
Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups.					
✓ Web Posting					
Email Email					
Texting Texting					
Events					
Social Media					
Other (specify):					

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Section 7: Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4 7.1 Describe how you will ensure that the LIHEAP program is coordinated with other programs available to low-income households (TANF, SSI, WAP, etc.). Joint application for multiple programs (indicate programs included) Households applying for SNAP are given an Energy Assistance addendum that can be used to apply. Intake referrals to/from other programs (indicate programs included) DSS Benefit Specialists in the local DSS offices refer applicants. One - stop intake centers Other - Describe:

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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 8 - Agency Designation

Section 8: Agency Designation, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6 (Required for state Grant recipients and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico)

	recipients and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico)					
8.1 How would you categorize the primary responsibility of your State agency?						
>	Administration Agency					
	Commerce Agency					
	Community Services Agency					
	Energy/Environment Agency					
	Housing Agency					
	State Department of Welfare (administers	FANF, SNAP, and/or M	fedicaid)			
	Economic Development Agency					
	Other - Describe:					
Include current list of subrecipient name, main office address (do not list P.O. Box), phone number, county(s) served, Congressional District, and UEI number. Used for Near hotline and OCS Service Provider Tool and clearinghouse.						
Alternate Outreach and Intake, 2605(b)(15) - Assurance 15 If you selected "State Department of Welfare (administers TANF, SNAP, and/or Medicaid)" in question 8.1, you must complete questions 8.2, 8. 3, and 8.4, as applicable.						
8.2 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for heating assistance?						
8.3 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for cooling assistance?>						
8.4 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for crisis assistance?						
8.5 LIHEAP Component Administration.		Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization	
8.5a W	ho determines client eligibility?	State Administration Agency	State Administration Agency	State Administration Agency		
electri	Tho processes benefit payments to gas and evendors?	State Administration Agency	State Administration Agency	State Administration Agency		
vendor	8.5c who processes benefit payments to bulk fuel wendors?					
	8.5d Who performs installation of weatherization measures?					

If any of your LIHEAP components are not centrally-administered by a state agency, you must complete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and, if applicable, 8.9.
8.6 What is your process for selecting local administering agencies?
The agencies that operate the furnace repair/replacement program are the same agencies that operate the DOE Weatherization program. They are also the same agencies that operated the LIEAP Weatherization program back when South Dakota set-aside funds for Weatherization. They have the necessary staff, equipment and contractor resources to efficiently and effectively resolve furnace issues. They do not determine eligibility as that is done by the State office.
8.7 How many local administering agencies do you use? 4
8.8 Have you changed any local administering agencies in the last year? Yes No
8.9 If so, why?
Agency was in noncompliance with Grant recipient requirements for LIHEAP -
Agency is under criminal investigation
Added agency
Agency closed
Other - describe
8.10 If a subrecipient is no longer providing LIHEAP, are you aware of prior-year LIHEAP funds being mismanaged or misspent? Yes No
8.10a If yes, please explain.
8.10b If you are aware, were other federal programs impacted such as CSBG, SSBG, Head Start, TANF, and Department of Energy Weatherization funding, etc. O Yes No
8.10c If yes, please explain.
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Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7 9.1 Do you make payments directly to home energy suppliers? Tes O No Heating O Yes O No Cooling Yes ○ No Crisis If yes, Describe. If household uses coal or wood as it's primary heat source or a household's heat is included in rent, a payment is issued directly to the household. 9.2 How do you notify the client of the amount of assistance paid? Clients receive computer generated notices indicating dates and amounts paid to their energy supplier at the time their entire award has Clients can call the automated phone system to check available balance at any time during the heating season to receive real-time benefit amount, vendor, and remaining assistance amount. 9.3 How do you assure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the actual cost of the home energy and the amount of the payment? Vendor agreements and a 5% sample of energy suppliers is selected for monitoring to ensure the terms of the agreement are met.If crisis, follow-up occurs with the energy supplier or client to ensure that utilities have not been disconnected or have been re-connected. 9.4 How do you assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP Vendor agreements and a 5% sample of energy suppliers is selected for monitoring to ensure the terms of the agreement are met. 9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households? O Yes O No If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take. Attach a copy of the template statewide vendor agreement or a policy that indicates local agreements must adhere to statewide policies and

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Section 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit

Section 10: Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10)				
10.1. How do you ensure good fiscal accounting and tracking of funds?				
The State of South Dakota has established necessary fiscal control and accounting procedures to properly disburse and account for feder funds administered by the State of South Dakota under this title.				
10.1a Provide your definitions of the following:				
Obligation				
Expenditures				
Expenditure timeframe				
Administrative costs				
Audit Process				
10.2. Is your LIHEAP program audited annually under the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A - 133? • Yes \bigcap No				
10.2a - if yes, describe your auditor selection process.				
10.3. Describe any audit findings of the grant recipient (i.e. State/Tribe/Territory) rising to the level of material weakness or reportable condicited in the single audits, inspector general reviews, or other government agency reviews from the most recently audited fiscal year.				
No Findings 🗹				
Finding Type Brief Summary Resolved? Action Taken				
10.4. Audits of Local Administering Agencies				
What types of annual audit requirements do you have in place for local administering agencies/district offices? Select all that apply.				
Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit in compliance with Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133				
Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit (other than A-133)				
Local agencies/district offices' A-133 or other independent audits are reviewed by Grant recipient as part of compliance process.				
Grant recipient conducts fiscal and program monitoring of local agencies/district offices				
Local agencies and district offices are required to have an annual audit in compliance with Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-				
Compliance Monitoring				
10.5. Describe your monitoring process for compliance at each level below. Check all that apply.				
Grant recipients have a policy in place for appropriate separation of duties and internal controls.				
✓ Internal program review				
✓ Departmental oversight				
Secondary review of invoices and payments				
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:				
Local Administering Agencies/District Offices:				

On - site evaluation
Annual program review
Monitoring through central database
Desk reviews
Client File Testing/Sampling
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
10.6 Explain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
Each agency is monitored annually by the Office of Provider Reimbursements and Office of Energy Assistance.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews. Attach a risk assessment if subrecipients are utilized.
Site Visits:
The Office of Provider Reimbursements monitors each of the four agencies FRR files annually.
Desk Reviews:
The Office of Provider Reimbursements monitors each of the four agencies FRR files annually.
10.8. How often is each local agency monitored? Please attach a monitoring schedule if one has been developed. Annually
10.9. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans? 0
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Section 11 - Timely and Meaningful Public Participation				
Section 11: Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, 2	605(b)(12), 2605(C)(2)			
11.1 How did you obtain input from the public in the development of your LIHEAP plan? Select all th Note: Tribes do not need to hold a public hearing but must ensure participation through other means.	at apply.			
Tribal Council meeting(s)				
✓ Public Hearing(s)				
✓ Draft Plan posted to website and available for comment				
Hard copy of plan is available for public view and comment				
Comments from applicants are recorded				
Request for comments on draft Plan is advertised				
Stakeholder consultation meeting(s)				
Comments are solicited during outreach activities				
Other - Describe:				
Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Only				
11.2 List the date and location(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the proposed use and distribution	of your LIHEAP funds?			
Date	Event Description			
1				
11.3. How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)?				
11.4 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s).				
11.5 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of public participation and solicitation of input?				
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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 12 - Fair Hearings

Section 12: Fair Hearings, 2605(b)(13) - Assurance 13

- 12.1 How many fair hearings did the Grant recipient have in the prior federal Fiscal Year? $\,0\,$
- 12.2 How many of those fair hearings resulted in the initial decision being reversed?
- 12.3 Describe any policy and/or procedural changes made in the last federal Fiscal Year as a result of fair hearings?
- 12.4 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are denied and/or not acted upon in a timely manner.

Language on application and notification letter-Right to a Fair Hearing. Any applicant of the Low Income Energy Assistance Program whose application for assistance is denied or who wishes to contest the amount of assistance granted, may request a Fair Hearing. The request must be made within 60 days of my denial or benefit notice. How to request a Fair Hearing. An applicant for LIEAP benefits may initiate the hearing process by filing a request with the Department of Social Services, Office of Administrative Hearings, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501-2291.

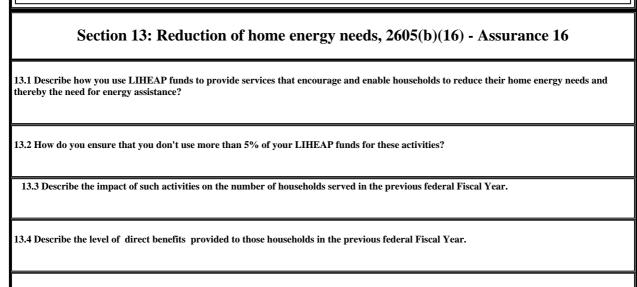
12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

Language on application(s) and eligibility notification letter.

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13.5 How many households received these services?

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Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program ,2607A

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Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program

Section 14:Leveraging Incentive Program, 2607(A)						
14.1 Do you plan to submit an application for the leveraging incentive program? O Yes O No						
14.2 Describe instructions to any third parties and/or local agencies for submitting LIHEAP leveraging resource information and retaining records.						
14.3 For each type of resource and/or benefit to be leveraged in the upcoming year that will meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R. § 96.87(d)(2)(iii), describe the following:						
Resource	What is the type of resource or benefit ?	What is the source(s) of the resource ?	How will the resource be integrated and coordinated with LIHEAP?			
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Section 15 - Training

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Section 15: Training				
15.1 Describe the training you provide for each of the following groups:				
a. Grant recipient Staff:				
Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference				
How often?				
Annually				
Biannually				
As needed				
Other, describe:				
Employees are provided with policy manual				
Other, describe:				
b. Local Agencies:				
Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference				
How often?				
Annually				
Biannually				
As needed				
Other, describe:				
On-site training				
How often?				
Annually				
Biannually				
As needed				
Other, describe:				
Employees are provided with policy manual				
Other, describe:				
c. Vendors				
Formal training conference				
How often?				
Annually				
Biannually				
As needed				
Other, describe:				
Policies communicated through vendor agreements				
Policies are outlined in a vendor manual				

	Other, describe:
15.2 l ② Y ○ N	pes your training program address fraud reporting and prevention?
	y of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in ields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

Section 16 - Performance Goals and Measures, 2605(b)

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Section 16 - Performance Goals and Measures

Section 16: Performance Goals and Measures, 2605(b) - Required for States Only

16.1 Describe your progress toward meeting the data collection and reporting requirements of the four required LIHEAP (Benefit Targeting Index, Burden Reduction Targeting Index, Restoration of Home Energy Service, and Prevention of Loss of Home Energy Service). Include timeframes and plans for meeting these requirements and what you believe will be accomplished in the coming federal fiscal year.

Client Applications and Vendor agreements were updated in FFY2015 to include the additional reporting requirements. Updates were made to eligibility system to track the various new requirements.

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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 17 - Program Integrity

Section 17: Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)					
17.1 Fraud Reporting Mechanisms	17.1 Fraud Reporting Mechanisms				
a. Describe all mechanisms availab	ble to the public for reporting cases	s of suspected waste, fraud, and abuse.	Select all that apply.		
Online Fraud Reportin	ng				
Dedicated Fraud Report	orting Hotline				
Report directly to local	l agency/district office or Grant rec	cipient office			
Report to State Inspect	tor General or Attorney General				
Forms and procedures	s in place for local agencies/district	offices and vendors to report fraud, wa	aste, and abuse		
Other - Describe:	Other - Describe:				
b. Describe strategies in place for a	advertising the above-referenced r	esources. Select all that apply			
Printed outreach mater	erials				
Posted in local adminis	stering agencies offices.				
Addressed on LIHEAP	P application				
Website					
Other - Describe:					
17.2. Identification Documentation	n Requirements				
a. Indicate which of the following t members.	forms of identification are required	d or requested to be collected from LIH	IEAP applicants or their household		
	Callested from Whom?				
Type of Identification Collected		Collected from Whom?			
	Applicant Only	All Adults in Household	All Household Members		
Social Security Card is photocopied and retained	Required	Required	Required		
photocopied and retained	P (1		B (1)		
	Requested	Requested	Requested		
	Required	Required	Required		
Social Security Number (Without actual Card)		✓	₩ Kequireu		
	Requested	Requested	Requested		
Government-issued identification	Required	Required	Required		
card					
(i.e.: driver's license, state ID, Tribal ID, passport, etc.)	Requested	Requested	Requested		
17.3. Citizenship/Legal Residency Verification					
What are your procedures for ensuring LIHEAP recipients are U.S. citizens or qualified non-citizens who are eligible to receive LIHEAP					

benefit	s? Select all that apply.						
>	Clients sign an attestation of o	ritizenship or U.S. (Citizen or Qualifie	ed Non-Citizen			
V	Client's submission of certain Social Security Administration cards is accepted as proof of U.S. Citizen or Qualified Non-Citizen.						
V	Non-Citizens must provide documentation of immigration status						
	Citizens must provide a copy		_	on papers, or pass	sport		
V	Non-Citizens are verified thro			11 / 1			
	Tribal members are verified t			ribal ID card			
	Other - Describe:						
	Other - Describe.						
	Other	Applicant Only Required	Applicant Only Requested	All Adults in Household Required	All Adults in Household Requested	All Household Members Required	All Household Members Requested
1							
17.4. I	ncome Verification						
What	methods does your agency utiliz	e to verify househo	ld income? Select	all that apply.			
>	Require documentation of inco	me for all adult ho	sehold members				
	Pay stubs						
	Social Security award le	etters					
	✓ Bank statements						
	✓ Tax statements						
	Zero-income statements						
	✓ Unemployment Insuran	ce letters					
	Other - Describe:						
	South Dakota LIEAP staff	have access to Sout	h Dakota Departm	ent of Labor inform	nation to assist in ide	entifying income so	ources. The
	Work Number is also utilized.						
>	Computer data matches:						
	Income information matched against state computer system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)						
	Proof of unemployment benefits verified with state Department of Labor						
	Social Security income v	verified with SSA					
	Utilize state directory of	new hires					
	Other - Describe:						
b. Desc	ribe any exceptions to the above	policies.					
17.5 Id	lentification Verification						
	be what methods are used to ver	rify the authenticity	of identification	documents provid	led by clients or ho	usehold members.	. Select all that
apply							
<u> </u>	Verify SSNs with Social Securi	ty Administration					
~	Match SSNs with death record	s from Social Secur	ity Administratio	n or state agency			
<u> </u>	Match SSNs with state eligibility	ty/case managemen	t system (e.g., SN	AP, TANF)			
	Match with state Department of Labor system						
	Match with state and/or federal corrections system						
	Match with state child support	system					
	Verification using private softv	vare (e.g., The Wor	k Number)				
	In-person certification by staff	(for tribal Grant re	ecipients only)				
	Match SSN/Tribal ID number	with tribal databas	e or enrollment re	ecords (for tribal (Grant recipients on	ly)	
	Other - Describe:						
17.6. P	rotection of Privacy and Confid	entiality					

Describe the financial and operating controls in place to protect client information against improper use or disclosure. Select all that apply.
Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent
Grant recipient LIHEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards
Employee training on confidentiality for:
Grant recipient employees
Local agencies/district offices
Employees must sign confidentiality agreement
Grant recipient employees
Local agencies/district offices
Physical files are stored in a secure location
☑ Electronic files are protected in a secure location.
Other - Describe:
17.7. Verifying the Authenticity
What policies are in place for verifying vendor authenticity? Select all that apply.
All vendors must register with the State/Tribe.
All vendors must supply a valid SSN or TIN/W-9 form
✓ Vendors are verified through energy bills provided by the household
Grant recipient and/or local agencies/district offices perform physical monitoring of vendors
Other - Describe and note any exceptions to policies above:
17.8. Benefits Policy - Gas and Electric Utilities
What policies are in place to protect against fraud when making benefit payments to gas and electric utilities on behalf of clients? Select all that apply.
Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency
Applicants must submit current utility bill
Data exchange with utilities that verifies:
Account ownership
Consumption
Balances
Payment history
Account is properly credited with benefit
Other - Describe:
Centralized computer system/database tracks payments to all utilities
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✓ Ven	ndors are checked against an approved vendors list	
✓ Cen	ntralized computer system/database is used to track payments to all vendors	
✓ Clie	ents are relied on for reports of non-delivery or partial delivery	
Two	p-party checks are issued naming client and vendor	
✓ Dire	ect payment to households are made in limited cases only	
✓ Ven	dors are only paid once they provide a delivery receipt signed by the client	
✓ Con	nduct monitoring of bulk fuel vendors	
Bull	k fuel vendors are required to submit reports to the grant recipient.	
✓ Ven	dor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism	
Oth	ner - Describe:	
17.10. Inves	stigations and Prosecutions	
	ne Grant recipients procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients, staff, or und to have committed fraud. Select all that apply.	
Refe	er to state Inspector General	
Refe	er to local prosecutor or state Attorney General	
Refe	er to US DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline)	
Loca	al agencies/district offices or Grant recipient conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public	
✓ Gr	ant recipient attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process	
	A Fraud Investigation Form is completed and discussed with Program Administrator, once approved, a letter is sent to request the funds.	
Clie	ents found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned?	
Con	ntracts with local agencies require that employees found to have committed fraud are reprimanded and/or terminated	
Ven	dors found to have committed fraud may no longer participate in LIHEAP	
Oth	er - Describe:	
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.		

Section 18: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
- 3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.BrBbr.
- 4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 5. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
- 7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled ``Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or

voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.

- 9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later

determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, [[Page 33043]] should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled ``Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility an Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

(1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

(2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is providing the ification set out above.

Section 19: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988: 45 CFR Part 76, Subpart, F. Sections 76.630(c) and (d)(2) and 76.645(a)(1) and (b) provide that a Federal agency may designate a central receipt point for STATE-WIDE AND STATE AGENCY-WIDE certifications, and for notification of criminal drug convictions. For the Department of Health and Human Services, the central pint is: Division of Grants Management and Oversight, Office of Management and Acquisition, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 517-D, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20201.

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Instructions for Certification)

- 1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the Grant recipient is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the Grant recipient knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the agency, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
- 3. For Grant recipients other than individuals, Alternate I applies.
- 4. For Grant recipients who are individuals, Alternate II applies.
- 5. Workplaces under grants, for Grant recipients other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the Grant recipient does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the Grant recipient must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the Grant recipients drug-free workplace requirements.
- 6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio studios).
- 7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the Grant recipient shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).
- 8. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grant recipients attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

Controlled substance means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

Conviction means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

Criminal drug statute means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

Employee means the employee of a Grant recipient directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All direct charge employees; (ii) All indirect charge employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and, (iii) Temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the Grant recipients payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the Grant recipient (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the Grant recipients payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Alternate I. (Grant recipients Other Than Individuals)
The Grant recipient certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:,

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Grant recipients workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --
- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The Grant recipients policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
- (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a

central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

- (f)Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
- (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).
- (B) The Grant recipient may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (That this must be physical address. No PO Boxes allowed.)

Place of Performance (That this must be physical address. No PO Boxes allowed.)		
* Address Line 1		
Address Line 2		
Address Line 3		
* City	<u>* State</u>	<u>* Zip Code</u>
Check if there are wo	rkplaces on file that are	not identified here.
Alternate II. (Grant recipients Who Are Individuals)		

- (a) The Grant recipient certifies that, as a condition of the grant, he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant;
- (b) If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, he or she will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to every grant officer or other designee, unless the Federal agency designates a central point for the receipt of such notices. When notice is made to such a central point, it shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

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■ By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out above.

Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

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The submitter of this application certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

By checking this box, t	he prospective primary	<i>r</i> participant is	providing the
certification set out above.			

Assurances

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(1) use the funds available under this title to--

- (A) conduct outreach activities and provide assistance to low income households in meeting their home energy costs, particularly those with the lowest incomes that pay a high proportion of household income for home energy, consistent with paragraph (5);
 - (B) intervene in energy crisis situations;
- (C) provide low-cost residential weatherization and other cost-effective energy-related home repair; and
- (D)plan, develop, and administer the State's program under this title including leveraging programs, and the State agrees not to use such funds for any purposes other than those specified in this title;
- (2) make payments under this title only with respect to--
 - (A) households in which one or more individuals are receiving--
 - (i)assistance under the State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act;
 - (ii) supplemental security income payments under title XVI of the Social Security Act;
 - (iii) food stamps under the Food Stamp Act of 1977; or
 - (iv) payments under section 415, 521, 541, or 542 of title 38, United States Code, or under section 306 of the Veterans' and Survivors' Pension Improvement Act of 1978; or
 - (B) households with incomes which do not exceed the greater of -
 - (i) an amount equal to 150 percent of the poverty level for such State; or
 - (ii) an amount equal to 60 percent of the State median income;

(except that a State may not exclude a household from eligibility in a fiscal year solely on the basis of household income if such income is less than 110 percent of the poverty level for such State, but the State may give priority to those households with the highest home energy costs or needs in relation to household income.

- (3) conduct outreach activities designed to assure that eligible households, especially households with elderly individuals or disabled individuals, or both, and households with high home energy burdens, are made aware of the assistance available under this title, and any similar energy-related assistance available under subtitle B of title VI (relating to community services block grant program) or under any other provision of law which carries out programs which were administered under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 before the date of the enactment of this Act;
- (4) coordinate its activities under this title with similar and related programs administered by the Federal Government and such State, particularly low-income

energy-related programs under subtitle B of title VI (relating to community services block grant program), under the supplemental security income program, under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, under title XX of the Social Security Act, under the low-income weatherization assistance program under title IV of the Energy Conservation and Production Act, or under any other provision of law which carries out programs which were administered under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 before the date of the enactment of this Act;

- (5) provide, in a timely manner, that the highest level of assistance will be furnished to those households which have the lowest incomes and the highest energy costs or needs in relation to income, taking into account family size, except that the State may not differentiate in implementing this section between the households described in clauses 2(A) and 2(B) of this subsection;
- (6) to the extent it is necessary to designate local administrative agencies in order to carry out the purposes of this title, to give special consideration, in the designation of such agencies, to any local public or private nonprofit agency which was receiving Federal funds under any low-income energy assistance program or weatherization program under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 or any other provision of law on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act, except that -
 - (A) the State shall, before giving such special consideration, determine that the agency involved meets program and fiscal requirements established by the State; and
 - (B) if there is no such agency because of any change in the assistance furnished to programs for economically disadvantaged persons, then the State shall give special consideration in the designation of local administrative agencies to any successor agency which is operated in substantially the same manner as the predecessor agency which did receive funds for the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made;
- (7) if the State chooses to pay home energy suppliers directly, establish procedures to --
 - (A) notify each participating household of the amount of assistance paid on its behalf;
 - (B) assure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the actual cost of the home energy and the amount of the payment made by the State under this title;
 - (C) assure that the home energy supplier will provide assurances that any agreement entered into with a home energy supplier under this paragraph will contain provisions to assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of such assistance under applicable provisions of State law or public regulatory requirements; and
 - (D) ensure that the provision of vendor payments remains at the option of the State in consultation with local Grant recipients and may be contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households, including providing for agreements between suppliers and individuals eligible for benefits under this Act that seek to reduce home energy costs, minimize the risks of home energy crisis, and encourage regular payments by individuals receiving financial assistance for home energy costs;

(8) provide assurances that,

- (A) the State will not exclude households described in clause (2)(B) of this subsection from receiving home energy assistance benefits under clause (2), and
- (B) the State will treat owners and renters equitably under the program assisted under this title;

(9) provide that--

- (A) the State may use for planning and administering the use of funds under this title an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the funds payable to such State under this title for a fiscal year; and
- (B) the State will pay from non-Federal sources the remaining costs of planning and administering the program assisted under this title and will not use Federal funds for such remaining cost (except for the costs of the activities described in paragraph (16));
- (10) provide that such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures will be established as may be necessary to assure the proper disbursal of and accounting for Federal funds paid to the State under this title, including procedures for monitoring the assistance provided under this title, and provide that the State will comply with the provisions of chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code (commonly known as the "Single Audit Act");
- (11) permit and cooperate with Federal investigations undertaken in accordance with section 2608:
- (12) provide for timely and meaningful public participation in the development of the plan described in subsection (c);
- (13) provide an opportunity for a fair administrative hearing to individuals whose claims for assistance under the plan described in subsection (c) are denied or are not acted upon with reasonable promptness; and
- (14) cooperate with the Secretary with respect to data collecting and reporting under section 2610.
- (15) * beginning in fiscal year 1992, provide, in addition to such services as may be offered by State Departments of Public Welfare at the local level, outreach and intake functions for crisis situations and heating and cooling assistance that is administered by additional State and local governmental entities or community-based organizations (such as community action agencies, area agencies on aging and not-for-profit neighborhood-based organizations), and in States where such organizations do not administer functions as of September 30, 1991, preference in awarding grants or contracts for intake services shall be provided to those agencies that administer the low-income weatherization or energy crisis intervention programs.
- * This assurance is applicable only to States, and to territories whose annual regular LIHEAP allotments exceed \$200,000. Neither territories with annual allotments of \$200,000 or less nor Indian tribes/tribal organizations are subject to Assurance 15.
- (16) use up to 5 percent of such funds, at its option, to provide services that encourage and enable households to reduce their home energy needs and

thereby the need for energy assistance, including needs assessments, counseling, and assistance with energy vendors, and report to the Secretary concerning the impact of such activities on the number of households served, the level of direct benefits provided to those households, and the number of households that remain unserved.

By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is agreeing to the Assurances set out above.

Plan Attachments

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The following documents must be attached to this application		
Delegation Letter is required if someone other than the Governor or Chairman Certified this Report.		
Heating component benefit matrix, if applicable		
Cooling component benefit matrix, if applicable		
Minutes, notes, or transcripts of public hearing(s).		
Policy Manual.		
Subrecipient Contract.		
Model Plan Participation Notes for Tribes.		