

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG) Available to Virginia Localities

Several types of energy and greenhouse gas (GHG) programs, *including recycling and landfill gas collection programs* are eligible for funding from opportunities provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA09) through the EECBG Program.

Included in the list of eligible activities for the use of funds are:

- Material Conservation Programs including source reduction, recycling, and recycled content procurement programs that lead to increases in energy efficiency, and
- Reduction and Capture of Methane and Greenhouse Gases excluding carbon capture or sequestration from power plants.

The purpose of the EECBG Program is to: assist state, local and tribal governments in implementing strategies to reduce fossil fuel emissions, reduce total energy use and improve energy efficiency while increasing economic growth and creating jobs. Total appropriation is \$3.2 billion with \$2.8 billion authorized in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and \$400 million in competitive grants through the Department of Energy (DOE). Eligibility is listed below:

- **DOE Formula Grants**
 - All States
 - Cities with population 35,000+ or one of top ten in state
 - Counties with population 200,000+ or one of top ten in state
 - Federally recognized Indian Tribes
- **State Sub-Grants**
 - Cities with population below 35,000
 - Counties with population below 200,000
- **DOE Competitive Grants**
 - \$400 Million for all states, cities, counties, Indian tribes

The application due date for the **direct formula grants from the DOE is June 25, 2009** at 8:00:00 PM Eastern Time. Information relative to competitive grants and state sub-grants are expected soon.

Any locality interested in receiving funds through this program **should register as soon as possible**. Eligible entities, once registered, will be able to submit applications for funding when formulas and competitive grant criteria are released.

The registration process as follows:

Step 1: Request a DUNS Number at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayHomePage.do>

Step 2: Register with the Central Contractor Registry (CCR) at <http://www.ccr.gov/>

Step 3: E-Business Point of Contact must register in FedConnect at <https://www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect/>

Further details of the application process will be announced at a later date.

The Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME) will administer the funds for Virginia's sub-grant awards Virginia is to receive \$10 million from the DOE for state and local government use. Details of the application process and criteria for the Virginia sub-grants have not yet been released. Draper Aden Associates will keep you informed as these details become available.

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