# **DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)**

# Program Name: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Grantee Name: CITIZEN POTAWATOMI NATION Report Name: DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP) Revision # 1 Report Period: 10/01/2023 to 09/30/2024 Report Status: Submission Accepted by CO (Revision #1)

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<b>a. Start Date:</b> 10/01/2023	<b>b. End Date:</b> 09/30/2024	* a. Federal (\$): b. Match (\$): \$0 \$0					
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a. This submission was made ava	ulable to the State under the Executiv	7e Order 12372					
Process for Review on :							
b. Program is subject to E.O. 123	372 but has not been selected by State	for review.					
c. Program is not covered by E.O	). 12372.						
* 17. Is The Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? VES NO							
Explanation:							
	ny false, fictitious, or fraudulent state	quired assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I ments or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative					
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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN SF - 424 - MANDATORY						
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required in order to receive a Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant in yea file an abbreviated plan. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to ave time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and reviewing the collect	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 in years in which the grantee is not permitted to file an abbreviated plan. 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					
Section 1 Program Components						
Program Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)	÷					
1.1 Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. (Note: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in this plan.)	Dates of (	Operation				
	Start Date	End Date				
Heating assistance	10/01/2023	04/30/2024				
Cooling assistance	05/01/2024	09/30/2024				
Crisis assistance	10/01/2023	09/30/2024				
Weatherization assistance	10/01/2023	09/30/2024				
Provide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary	·	·				
Funds left over from Heating assistance will be re-programmed to Weatherization. IF/When requested	the need exceeds 15%,	a waiver will be				
Estimated Funding Allocation, 2604(C), 2605(k)(1), 2605(b)(9), 2605(b)(16) - Assurances 9 and 16						
1.2 Estimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: Th must add up to 100%.	e total of all percentages	Percentage (%)				
Heating assistance		25.00%				
Cooling assistance		25.00%				
Crisis assistance		25.00%				
Weatherization assistance		15.00%				
Carryover to the following federal fiscal year		0.00%				
Administrative and planning costs		5.00%				
Services to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)		5.00%				
Used to develop and implement leveraging activities TOTAL		0.00%				
		100.0070				
Alternate Use of Crisis Assistance Funds, 2605(c)(1)(C)						

1.3 T	ne funds reserve	ed for winter crisis assistance that	at have not be	een expen	ded l	by March 15	will be r	eprogrammed to	:	
		Heating assistance     Image: Cooling assistance								
>		Weatherization assistance	<ul> <li>Image: A set of the set of the</li></ul>	Other (specify:) Year Around Crisis						
Categorical Eligibility, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assurance 2, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(8A) - Assurance 8										
1.4 Do you consider households categorically eligible if one household member receives one of the following categories of benefits in the left column below? • Yes • No										
If you	If you answered "Yes" to question 1.4, you must complete the table below and answer questions 1.5 and 1.6.									
			Heatir	<u> </u>		Cooling	_	Crisis		Weatherization
TANF			• Yes			Yes O <sub>No</sub>		Yes O <sub>No</sub>		Yes O <sub>No</sub>
SSI			⊙ Yes O			Yes ONo		Yes O No		Yes ONo
SNAP		_	• Yes O			Yes ONo		Yes ONo		Yes ONo
Means	-tested Veterans	Programs	O Yes 💿		0	Yes 💽 No		Yes 💽 No	C	Yes 💽 No
04	(G. 18.).1	Program Name		Ieating	_	Coolin	0	Crisis		Weatherization
	(Specify) 1			C <sub>No</sub>		O <sub>Yes</sub> O		O Yes O No		O Yes O No
1.5 D	o you automatic	cally enroll households without a	direct annua	l applicat	tion?	O Yes 💽	No			
If Yes n/a	s, explain:									
	ow do you ensu	re there is no difference in the tr	eatment of ca	tegorical	ly eli	gible househo	olds fron	1 those not receiv	ing o	ther public assistance
when	determining eli	gibility and benefit amounts? ired to provide documentation of i		U	•	0			0	
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SNAI	P Nominal Payn	nents								
1.7a I	Do you allocate	LIHEAP funds toward a nomina	l payment fo	r SNAP h	ouse	holds? 🔿 Ye	s 💽 No	)		
If you	answered "Ye	s'' to question 1.7a, you must pro	ovide a respo	nse to que	estior	ıs 1.7b, 1.7c, a	and 1.7d	•		
1.7b /	Amount of Nom	inal Assistance: \$0.00								
1.7c I	requency of As	sistance								
	Once Per Year									
	Once every five	e years								
	Other - Descri	be:								
1.7d ]	How do you con	firm that the household receivin	g a nominal p	oayment h	nas a	n energy cost	or need	?		
		gibility - Countable Income								
1.8.1	n determining a Gross Income	household's income eligibility fo	n LINEAP, 0	io you use	e gro	ss income or	net mcol	ne:		
<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	Net Income									
1.9. S		licable forms of countable incon	ne used to det	ermine a	hous	ehold's incon	ne eligib	ility for LIHEAP		
>	Wages									
K	Self - Employn	nent Income								
<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	Contract Incor	ne								
~	Payments from	n mortgage or Sales Contracts								
	Unemploymen	t insurance								
	Strike Pay									
	Social Security	Administration (SSA ) benefits								

		Including MediCare deduction		Excluding MediCare deduction					
	Supp	lemental Security Income (SS	I)						
N	Retirement / pension benefits								
	General Assistance benefits								
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits								
	Supp	lemental Nutrition Assistance	Prog	ram (SNAP) benefits					
	Wom	en, Infants, and Children Sup	opleme	ental Nutrition Program (WIC) benefits					
	Loan	s that need to be repaid							
	Cash	gifts							
	Savin	gs account balance							
	One-	time lump-sum payments, suc	h as r	ebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.					
	Jury	duty compensation							
>	Renta	al income							
	Incor	ne from employment through	Work	force Investment Act (WIA)					
	Incor	ne from work study programs	5						
>	Alim	ony							
		support							
	Inter	est, dividends, or royalties							
<b>&gt;</b>	Com	nissions							
	Legal	settlements							
	Insur	ance payments made directly	to the	insured					
	Insur	ance payments made specific	ally fo	r the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate					
	Veter	ans Administration (VA) ben	efits						
	Earn	ed income of a child under the	e age o	f 18					
	Balar	ice of retirement, pension, or	annui	y accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.					
		ne tax refunds							
	Stipe	nds from senior companion p	rogran	ns, such as VISTA					
	Fund	s received by household for th	ne care	e of a foster child					
	Amei	i-Corp Program payments fo	r livin	g allowances, earnings, and in-kind aid					
	Reimbursements (for mileage, gas, lodging, meals, etc.)								

Other

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#### Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE

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#### Section 2 - Heating Assistance Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2 2.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the heating component: Household size Add Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold 60.00% 1 State Median Income 2 State Median Income 60.00% 2 State Median Income 60.00% 3 3 60.00% 4 4 State Median Income 60.00% State Median Income 60.00% 6 6 State Median Income 150.00% 7 7 HHS Poverty Guidelines HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00% 8 8 150.00% HHS Poverty Guidelines 9 10 10 HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00% 11 11 150.00% HHS Poverty Guidelines 12 12 150.00% HHS Poverty Guidelines 13 13 HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00% 14 14 HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00% HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00% 15 15 2.2 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for O Yes 💿 No HEATING ASSITANCE? 2.3 Check the appropriate boxes below and describe the policies for each. Do you require an Assets test? 🔿 Yes 💿 No Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for: Renters? O Yes 💿 No **Renters Living in subsidized housing?** O Yes O No Renters with utilities included in the rent? O Yes 💿 No Do you give priority in eligibility to: Elderly? • Yes O No • Yes O No Disabled? Young children? • Yes O No Households with high energy burdens? • Yes O No Other? Veterans/ Active Duty Military • Yes O No Explanations of policies for each "yes" checked above:

Edlers - 55 or older; Disabled-self id, parking hang tag, document indicating disability (medical or federal such as social security, veterans benefit or pay stub, etc.); Young Child age 5 & Under- document indicating birthdate such as birth certificate, tribal id, shot record, etc. Matrix assigns points based on income range, fuel type (electric, gas, propane, wood); size of dwelling / Number of bedrooms; Veterans or active Military- documentation indicating military service.

Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)

2.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of heating assistance tovulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amounts, early application periods, etc.

Outreach is targeted directly to elder housing & nutrition programs; to households who may have minor children - WIC, Child Development Center, Johnson O'Malley Education households, Workforce & Social Service participants, Indian Child Welfare, Domestic Violence, Family Preservation, Foster Care, Community Health Representatives, Tribal Transit, Tribal Court, etc. Benefit amounts are adjusted by giving additonal points for each time an elder, disabled, young child, or veteran is in the household. Additional points are allocated to address high energy burden - ie lower the income, more points, more bedrooms / larger home = more points.

2.5 Check the variables you use to determ	ne vour benefit levels. (Check	all that apply):						
✓ Income								
Family (household) size	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	Energy need							
Other - Describe:								
Income level points assigned lowest income / highest points; and incrementally decreased number of points as income level climbs. Family size - 1 point per household member; Home energy burden / need is addressed thru 2 parts. Type of fuel and number of bedrooms. Special conditions are awarded 1 point per qualified category per occurrence - Elder, Disabled, Child Age 5 & Under, Veteran/Active Military, or Crisis. Bill must be in the client's name or they must be an authorized user on the bill with the exception of rental agreements where utilities are included in the rent.								
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)								
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for th	e fiscal year for which this pla	n applies						
Minimum Benefit	Minimum Benefit \$100 Maximum Benefit \$500							
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets,	space heaters) and/or other fo	rms of benefits? • Yes ONo	·····					

If yes, describe.

During Winter season, we offer space heaters for supplemental heating source. In crisis situations, blankets may also be offered plus location of nearby warming stations. In rare situations, a generator may be offered on a limited loaner basis.

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Section 3 - Cooling Assistance								
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2								
3.1 Designate The income eligibility threshold used for the Cooling component:           Add         Household size         Eligibility Guideline         Eligibility Threshold								
Add 1	1 HOUSEHOW SIZE		Eligibility Guideline State Median Income	60.00%				
2	2		State Median Income	60.00%				
3	3		State Median Income	60.00%				
4	4		State Median Income	60.00%				
5	5		State Median Income	60.00%				
6	6		State Median Income	60.00%				
7	7		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
8	8		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
9	9	_	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
10	10		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
11	11		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
12	12		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
13	13		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
14	14		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
15	15		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
3.2 Do you have a COOLING ASSI	additional eligibility requirements for ISTANCE?	C Yes	• No					
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the j	policies for	each.					
Do you require a	n Assets test?	C Yes	⊙ No					
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:	·						
Renters?		C Yes	€ No					
Renters Liv	ving in subsidized housing?	C Yes	⊙ No					
Renters wit	th utilities included in the rent?	O Yes	• No					
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:							
Elderly?	•	• Yes	O No					
Disabled?		• Yes						
Young chile	dren?	• Yes						
	s with high energy burdens?	• Tes						
	teran / Active Military	• Tes						
	policies for each "yes" checked above:	· 105						
Explanations C- r								
Eld Under - leg	lerly-Age 55 or older; Disabled- self id, pa gal document indicating birthdate such as b	rking hang birth certific	tag, document indicating disability (medical, cate, tribal id, shot record, etc. Points are assigned as the state of the s	Federal etc.) Young child Age 5 & gned based on income range, fuel				

### Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE

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3.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of cooling assistance tovulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amounts, early application periods, etc.

type, size of dwelling / numbe of bedrooms. Veterals - documentation indicating military service.

Outreach is directly to elder housing & nutrition programs, to households that might hold a minor child such as WIC, Child Development Center, JOM Edu Households, Workforce & Social Services, Indian Child Welfare, Foster Care, Domestic Violence, Tribal Courts, etc.

Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)							
3.5 Check the variables you use to determine your benefit levels. (Check all that apply):							
V Income							
Family (household) size							
Home energy cost or need:							
🗹 Fuel type							
Climate/region							
Individual bill							
Dwelling type							
Energy burden (% of income s	spent on home energy)						
Energy need							
Other - Describe:							
situation. Bill must be in the client's naincluded in the rent. Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 26 3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the	505(c)(1)(B)	ed user on the bill with the exception of ren	tal agreements where utilities are				
Minimum Benefit	\$100	Maximum Benefit	\$500				
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air c	onditioners) and/or other form	s of benefits? • Yes O No					
If yes, describe.							
In cooling season, we offer fans & AC Window Units. In 2020, we plan to offer the household the opportunity to keep the unit. They would not be eligible for a another unit for two years without proof the unit has died (return dead unit). The assumption is that they have a working unit in ther possession AND most units only have a 1 or 2 year warranty and/or life. Units maybe returned to CPN to be cleaned & serviced then returned to inventory for safe storage until the following cooling season. Units that stop working may be exchanged for working units.							
If any of the above questions the fields provided, attach a d			could not be made in				

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# Section 4: CRISIS ASSISTANCE

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

Add	Household size Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold						
1	1	State Median Income	60.00%				
2	2	State Median Income	60.00%				
3	3	State Median Income	60.00%				
4	4	State Median Income	60.00%				
5	5	State Median Income	60.00%				
6	6	State Median Income	60.00%				
7	7	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
8	8	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
9	9	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
10	10	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
11	11	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
12	12	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
13	13	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
14	14	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
15	15	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				

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

Utility is pending disconnect or has been disconnected or propane level is below 10% **AND any one** of the following applies:

-For Winter, temperatures are expected to be at or are below freezing within the next 7 day weather forecast OR

-For summer, temperature heat index is expected be be at or exceed 100 degrees within the next 7 day weather forecast, OR

-Utility is medically necessary; OR

-Rental agreement requires utilities be on in order to maintain rental, or

-Household includes at least one of the 'special populations' (elder, disabled, minor age 5 & Under, or veteran)

4.3 What constitutes a life-threatening crisis?

<u>Any ONE</u> of the following conditions exist:

-State or Tribe has declared a state of disaster; or

-Medical condition that makes utility a medical necessity or loss of utility could place household in unsafe heat/cold conditions.

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)

4.6 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for CRISIS ASSISTANCE? • Yes O No

4.7 Check the appropriate boxes below and describe the policies for each

Do you require an Assets test?	C Yes  No				
Do you give priority in eligibility to:					
Elderly?	• Yes O No				
Disabled?	• Yes ONo				
Young Children?	• Yes ONo				
Households with high energy burdens?	• Yes ONo				
Other? Veteran / Active Military	• Yes O No				
In Order to receive crisis assistance:					
Must the household have received a shut-off notice or have a near empty tank?	O Yes O No				
Must the household have been shut off or have an empty tank?	C Yes O No				
Must the household have exhausted their regular heating benefit?	• Yes O No				
Must renters with heating costs included in their rent have received an eviction notice?	O Yes 💿 No				
Must heating/cooling be medically necessary?	C Yes O No				
Must the household have non-working heating or cooling equipment?	O Yes O No				
Other?	C Yes O No				
Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for:					
Renters?	O Yes O No				
Renters living in subsidized housing?	O Yes O No				
Renters with utilities included in the rent?	C Yes  No				
Explanations of policies for each "yes" checked above:					

Elderly - Age 55 or older; Disabled - self id, parking hang tag; document indicating disability (medical, federal / social security, etc.); Child Age 5& Under - document indicating birthdate such as birth certificate, tribal id, shot record, etc. ; points are assigned based on income range; fuel type (electric, gas/propane, wood); size of dwelling number of bedrooms; veterans/ active Military

NOTE: To receive Crisis assistance the household must be experiencing a cut off or within 48 hours of cutoff or at or below 5% propane PLUS additional criteria referenced in 4.3 above

	on of Benefits
4.8 How do	rou handle crisis situations?
	Separate component
>	Fast Track
✓	Other - Describe: Applications are worked in the date order they are received. If the applicant must self indentify that they are cut off OR within 48 hours of Cut Off. They must self id on the application. The application will then be moved forward in order to work it. Applications which lack required documentation will delay executing benefit assistance.
4.9 If you ha	ve a separate component, how do you determine crisis assistance benefits?
×	Amount to resolve the crisis.
	Other - Describe: FOR UTILITY PAYMENTS: Amount to resolve the crisis up to the maximum benefit offered \$500 less the regular benefit assistance. (EXample: regular benefit \$140 plus Crisis \$360 = \$500 maximum allowed) FOR APPLIANCE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT: Maximum of \$10,000; Any additional costs are born by the client.
	rements, 2604(c)
	accept applications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographically accessible to all households in the area to be served?
💽 Yes 🕻	No <b>Explain.</b>
	Applications are made available at various tribal sites that offer assistance to low income households. These include but are not limited to ng, Indian Chlld WEelfare, Child Devleopment Center, Elder Nutrition Program, Workforce & Social Services. Applicants may be hand red, emailed, faxed, or mailed thru postal services.
4.11 Do you	provide individuals who are physically disabled the means to:
Submit ar	plications for crisis benefits without leaving their homes?

• Yes O No If No, explain.

Travel to the sites at which applications for crisis assistance are accepted?

• Yes O No If No, explain.

If you answered "No" to both options in question 4.11, please explain alternative means of intake to those who are homebound or physically disabled?

Upon request homebound, illiterate, English as a Second Language, or physically disabled will be sent application through an appropriate Counselor, Home Health Professional or other special arrangements will be made to go to the home to assist the individual.

Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)

4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for each type of crisis assistance offered.

Winter Crisis \$500.00 maximum benefit

Summer Crisis \$500.00 maximum benefit

Year-round Crisis \$10,000.00 maximum benefit

4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space heaters, fans) and/or other forms of benefits?

💽 Yes 🔘 No 🛛 If yes, Describe

In cooling season, we offer fans & AC Window Units. The household may return the unit at the end of the Cooling season. If they chose not to do so, they are not ineligible for unit in the next cooling season. Units are returned to inventory, cleaned/serviced, and stored in secure location until next cooling season. Households that return units that have been abused/ mis-used are ineligible for a replacement unit and / or a unit the following cooling season. Utility assistance is limited to \$500 per season. Appliance repair or replacement is limited to \$10,000 maximum. Units are also issued until HVAC system can be repaired or replaced.

4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or replacement using crisis funds?

• Yes O No

If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14, you must complete question 4.15.

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

	Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-round Crisis		
Heating system repair	>	×			
Heating system replacement		N			
Cooling system repair	>	N			
Cooling system replacement	×	×			
Wood stove purchase	×				
Pellet stove purchase	×				
Solar panel(s)					
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups	N	N			
Other (Specify): Propane tanks purchase and/or installations - any assistance is limited to the total Crisis funds available. Unit Repair or replacement maximum is increased to \$10,000.	N	N			
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with enforce a moratorium on shut offs?					
• Yes C No					
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must respond to question 4.17.					

4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and any special dispensation received by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.

When extreme temperatures are experienced within the State, utility companies providing services will not disconnect services until the extreme temperatures have ended. For example, temperatures at freezing and below 0 - heating companies usually will not disconnect the services for non-payment until the temperatures have returned to above freezing levels for at least 24 hours. For cooling season, utility companies within the state usually will not disconnect service where daily temperature indexes reach 100 degrees are higher. When the heat index no longer reaches 100 degrees, the utility is then subject to cut off. This is in effect by most municipalities or regions within the service area of that utility based on National Weather Service predictions.

Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2				
5.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the Weatherization component				
Add	Household Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold	
1	1	State Median Income	60.00%	
2	2	State Median Income	60.00%	
3	3	State Median Income	60.00%	
4	4	State Median Income	60.00%	
5	5	State Median Income	60.00%	
6	6	State Median Income	60.00%	
7	7	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
8	8	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
9	9	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
10	10	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
11	11	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
12	12	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
13	13	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
14	14	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%	
5.3 If yes, name t 5.4 Is there a sepa	he agency. arate monitoring protocol for weatherization? $igcap {C}$ Y	zes 💽 No		
WEATHERIZAT	TION - Types of Rules			
5.5 Under what r	rules do you administer LIHEAP weatherization? (	Check only one.)		
Entirely un	nder LIHEAP (not DOE) rules			
Entirely un	nder DOE WAP (not LIHEAP) rules			
Mostly und	ler LIHEAP rules with the following DOE WAP ru	le(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules differ (0	Check all that apply):	
Incor	ne Threshold			
	therization of entire multi-family housing structure vill become eligible within 180 days	is permitted if at least 66% of units (50% in	2- & 4-unit buildings) are	
Weat care facilities).	therize shelters temporarily housing primarily low	income persons (excluding nursing homes, pr	isons, and similar institutional	
Othe	r - Describe:			
Mostly und	ler DOE WAP rules, with the following LIHEAP ru	ıle(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules differ (	Check all that apply.)	
Incor	ne Threshold			
Weatherization not subject to DOE WAP maximum statewide average cost per dwelling unit.				
Weat	therization measures are not subject to DOE Saving	gs to Investment Ration (SIR ) standards.		
Other - Describe:				

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Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5					
5.6 Do you require an assets test?					
5.7 Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for :					
Renters	O Yes O No				
Renters living in subsidized housing?	O Yes O No				
5.8 Do you give priority in eligibility to:					
Elderly?	• Yes O No				
Disabled?	• Yes O No				
Young Children?	• Yes O No				
House holds with high energy burdens?	• Yes C No				
Other? Veterans or active military	• Yes O No				
below. Additional priority or points are assigned in the matrix for each household member based on: Elderly - Age 55 or older; Disabled - self id, parking hang tag; document indicating disability (medical, federal / social security, etc.); Child Age 5 & Under - document indicating birthdate such as birth certificate, tribal id, shot record, etc. ; points are assigned based on income range; fuel type (electric, gas/propane, wood); size of dwelling (number of bedrooms); veterans/ active Military					
Benefit Levels					
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP wea	atherization benefit/expenditur	e per household? • Yes O No			
<b>5.10 If yes, what is the maximum?</b> \$10,00	0				
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)					
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization measu	res do you provide ? (Check a	ll categories that apply.)			
Weatherization needs assessments/	audits	Energy related roof repair			
Caulking and insulation		Major appliance repairs			
Storm windows		Major appliance replacement			
Furnace/heating system modificati	ons/renairs	Windows/sliding glass doors			
Furnace replacement		Doors			
Cooling system modifications/repa	irs	Water Heater			
Water conservation measures		Cooling system replacement			
		Other - Describe:			
Compact florescent light bulbs		Skirting on Mobile Homes; water heater blankets; light fixture replacement with energy saving lighting; installation of smoke alarms & carbon monoxide detectors; register & duct cleaning; insulation - attics, crawl spaces, basements, rim joints, mobile home bellies, etc. ; clean/tune/ service the HVAC system; replace /install ceiling fans or provide portable fans; energy star rated products will be used when applicable			
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.					

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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 el available:	ligible households are made aware of all LIHEAP assistance			
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 pe	erform outreach to target groups.			
Other (specify):				
Specific outreach through other service organization that serve Native A: Centers, Community Health Nurses, WIC, Child Development Center, Tribal Ho high traffic buildings.	0			
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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				
<b>&gt;</b>	Intake referrals to/from other programs				
<	One - stop intake centers				
<	Other - Describe:				
	Outreach to the Caseworkers who are assisting potentially eligible applicants. Beginning in FY24, LIHEAP will be included in P.L. 102- 477 plan of service. The application will be a combined application for all services for which the household may be eligible. Additional documentation may be required for LIHEAP specific services.				
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Section 8: Agency Designation, the		ssurance 6 (Re h of Puerto Ric	-	e grantees and			
8.1 How would you categorize the primary response	sibility of your State ag	ency?					
Administration Agency							
Commerce Agency	Commerce Agency						
Community Services Agency	Community Services Agency						
Energy/Environment Agency	Energy/Environment Agency						
Housing Agency							
Welfare Agency							
V       Other - Describe: Tribal Government - Workforce & SOcial Services							
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Alternate Outreach and Intake, 2605(b)(15) - Assu If you selected "Welfare Agency" in question 8.1, y		stions 8.2, 8.3, and 8.4, a	as applicable.				
8.2 How do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for HEATING AS	SISTANCE?					
8.3 How do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for COOLING AS	SISTANCE?					
8.4 How do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for CRISIS ASSIS	TANCE?					
	r	-1/-					
8.5 LIHEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization			
8.5a Who determines client eligibility?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government			
8.5b Who processes benefit payments to gas and electric vendors?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government				
8.5c who processes benefit payments to bulk fuel vendors?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government				
8.5d Who performs installation of weatherization measures?				Non-Applicable			
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?							

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	not applicable				
8.7 Ho	w many local administering agencies do you use? 1				
<b>8.8 Ha</b> O Ye O No	we you changed any local administering agencies in the last year?				
8.9 If s	8.9 If so, why?				
	Agency was in noncompliance with grantee requirements for LIHEAP -				
	Agency is under criminal investigation				
	Added agency				
	Agency closed				
	Other - 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 9 - Energy Suppliers,, 2005(b)(7) - Assurance 7
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Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7
9.1 Do you make payments directly to home energy suppliers?
Heating 🖸 Yes 🖸 No
Cooling 🖸 Yes 🖸 No
Crisis O Yes O No
Are there exceptions? • Yes O No
If yes, Describe. Renters with utility included in their rent -Payment will be made to the Landlord unless Landlord requests payment be made to the utility company directly-if the landlord provides the bill and authorization. Landlord is required to credit the renter with the payment made on their behalf.
<b>9.2 How do you notify the client of the amount of assistance paid?</b> A benefit notification letter is mailed to the household applicant when the utility payment is made.
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?
Home Energy Supplier is provided a copy of the bill (or estimate) with the notation of amount LIHEAP is paying. Household applicants are advised to watch their bill for the corresponding creidit. Households are notified they are responsible for any charges in excess of the payment. Propane companies are advised that the applicant household is responsible for any charges in excess of the payment. Due to mimimum delivery requirements, propane assistance is always provided at the maximum allowable amount of \$500. Vendors will be mailed a vendor letter which specifies 'no household may be treated adversly because of receipt of LIHEAP funds. Promises to pay via Fax or email include similiar statements. Vendors are encouraged to sign a Vendor Agreement which stays in effect until rescinded.
9.4 How do you assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP assistance?
Vendor agreements were mailed to each of the primary vendors utilized in the previous year. Language include the assurnace that no household will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP assistance. Note: only a few vendors completed the form but all receive notification.
9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households?
If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take.
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#### Section 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10) - Assurance 10

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<b>~</b>	Annual program review
	Monitoring through central database
4	Desk reviews
<b>&gt;</b>	Client File Testing/Sampling
	Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
0.6 Exp	ain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
S	Self monitoring - each file is reviewed prior to services being rendered and again at the end of the fiscal year. The tribe is subject to the ngle Audit Act. Files may be reviewed by random selection of the auditor.
0.7. De	cribe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews.
Site	ïsits:
	not applicable
Desk	Reviews:
	not applicable
10.8. Ho	v often is each local agency monitored?
	not applicable
10.9. Wł	at is the combined error rate for eligibility determinations? OPTIONAL not applicable
10.10. W	hat is the combined error rate for benefit determinations? OPTIONAL
	not applicable
0 11 P	w many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans for eligibility and/or benefit determination issues? 0
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# Section 11 - Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, , 2605(b)(12) - Assurance 12, 2605(c)(2)

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Section 11: Timely and Meaningful Public P	articipation, 2605(b)(12), 2605(C)(2)				
11.1 How did you obtain input from the public in the development of your LIH Select all that apply.	EAP plan?				
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:					
This year an in-person public hearing was held. The user population and potential user population applying for summer assistance were offered a summary of the grant proposal. Staff offered Each household the opportunity to discuss. For Special populations such as Elders a specific outreach was made to a team of Adult Protection Providers. The Adult Protection Providers includes Elders Support Services Network, Adult Protection staff, Tribal Housing, Indian Child Welfare, Tribal Police, and Workforce and Social Services staff. In the Workforce & Social Services lobby, we posted the summary description of CPN LIHEAP next to the sign in sheets. Recipients of LIHEAP services were invited to attend an Educational meeting held in person. The Weatherization component and proposed changes were introduced there as well using these same methods. See attachment(s).					
11.2 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of this partic	spation?				
None					
Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico	Only				
11.3 List the date and location(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the propose	d use and distribution of your LIHEAP funds?				
מ	ate Event Description				
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	η				
<b>11.4.</b> How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)? 264					
11.5 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s).					
The number of people who signed in at Public Hearing 5/31/23-264	;				
Attendees were advised what services were available; Very few comments were received. All were verbal. The summary was: Keep the same. You all do a good job! Substantive comments were all focused on the addition of weatherization. Were were asked about Skirting on mobile home / trailer houses, window replacements; and solar panels. not included in 11.4 is the number in the Winter -158 and Summer EDU -132 Classes Total: EDU Classes 290; Adult Protective Team -meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month excluding June. There were 11 meetings in Fy23 with attendance of approx 11 to 15 per meeting. Attendees are from Elders Services, Adult Protective Services, Tribal Police, Tribal Clinic, Administration, Women Infant & Children, Workforce & Social Services, and occassionally a visiting tribal program from another area tribe.					
11.6 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of the comm	ents received at the public hearing(s)?				
Continue to fund the Weatherization component. Keep weatherization listed as possibilities. While we Considered adding solar panels but after care the cost exceeded a resonable return on investment.					

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Section 12: Fair Hearings, 2605(b)(13) - Assurance 13			
12.1 How many fair hearings did the grantee have in the prior Federal fiscal year? 0			
2.2 How many of those fair hearings resulted in the initial decision being reversed? 0			
12.3 Describe any policy and/or procedural changes made in the last Federal fiscal year as a result of fair hearings?			
not applicable			
12.4 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are denied.			
Applicants who are denied services are advised by mail. The reason for denials include: incomplete application, ineligible (non-native household, residence not within service area, previously served - received LIHEAP from another source (no duplication); or exceeds income limitations.			
The Social Services assistance has been denied. A person who is dissatisfied with a decision, an action, or failure to act has the right to a hearing before the Director, or designated representative. To request a hearing do so in writing within 10 business days from the date of the lette of this notification.			
12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?			
Posted in the lobbey. Included in the application. Application signature page includes this information. the applicant is asked to read, review, and then sign acknowlegement they have done so and that the information contained in the application is a true. Notification of the approval or denial includes a statement of the applicant's rights.			
12.6 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are not acted on in a timely manner.			
Uniform Grievance & Appeals Procedure. The Citizen Potawatomi Nation Workforce & Social Services Program has establishes a uniform grievance and appeals process. The procedure insues due process and establishes a series of levels, starting with informal resolution at the staff level. The final level of appeal is to a committee including the Department Director and two other senior level trib administrative staff. Appeals to final level must be made in writing and submitted within ten business days of the action being appealed. Participant will be notified of the determination within ten business days of the reciept of the written complaint. The levels are as follow Step 1: Informal / verbal complaint - resolve informally at staff level. Step 2: Written Complaint: time and date received are noted, staff relays to Department Director (or Assistant Director or designee). Applicant is contacted directly. Director or Assistant Director investigates and reviews the complaint. Once determination is made the applicant is notified. Step 3: Final Formal Complaint: If unable to resolve or applicant is not satisifed with the Director's determination, a written request for Final Review may be made by the applicant. Department Director will relay all pertinent writen documenation and investigatory items to senior level tribal adminstrative staff that includes one or more of the following: Human Resource Director, Vice-Chairman, or Tribal Chairman. Step 4: Only when th grievance specifically involves an elected official, will Step 4 be applicable. All written grievances will be received and review in accordance with the Tribal law.	oal l. vs: ff e		
12.7 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?			
Posted in the lobbey. Included in the application. Applicant is asked to read, review and sign their acknowledgement of understanding ar accuracy of information provided with the application. The mailing which notifies approval or denial of services includes this statement.	nd		
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#### Section 13 - Reduction of home energy needs, 2605(b)(16) - Assurance 16

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13.1 Describe how you use LIHEAP funds to provide services that encourage and enable households to reduce their home energy needs and thereby the need for energy assistance?

Provide energy reduction tips, pamplets, and devices that can minimize energy consumption. Offer utility payment incentives for attending the education classes. Provide Testimony from other households what they tried and what worked for them.

13.2 How do you ensure that you don't use more than 5% of your LIHEAP funds for these activities?

Budget process, internal fiscal controls. Accounting procedures and computer program tracks expenditures against budget with hard stop if budgeted amount would be exceeded.

#### 13.3 Describe the impact of such activities on the number of households served in the previous Federal fiscal year.

Measurement of the impact is difficult. However, as families have received energy reducing items as incentives for participation, we have seen households return to request more CFL light bulbs because they saw the value. When attending the Educational classes, participants have provided verbal testimony to others how they have used the tips or incentive items to lower their energy usage. Participants have told us that they have utilized the tips and saw reductions.

13.4 Describe the level of direct benefits provided to those households in the previous Federal fiscal year.

Education Classes were held in person during the Heating & Cooling seasons. Participant Households recieve \$100 incentive paid to their respective utility company for attending and participating in the class. People who do not attend the full class are not eligible. Special accomodations were made for those with special needs. One-on-one education is offered. Additional classes will be offered in September for those who may have missed or have received services since August 18, 2022.

In the Heating & Cooling Seasons all but 4 Households in attendance received the \$100 incentive We were unable to provide the incentive to those three because - had a positive credit already on their account or did not complete application process. 130 households signed up for the class. The actual number of people who attended and received the education is higher. We only counted the households represented. All Household received a package of CFL light bulbs or other small energy saving item; therefore we are including the full number of households in this reporting line.

13.5 How many households applied for these services? 290

13.6 How many households received these services? 286

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Section 14:Leveraging Incentive Program, 2607(A)							
14.1 Do you plan to submit an application for the leveraging incentive program?							
14.2 Describe instructions to any third parties and/or local agencies for submitting LIHEAP leveraging resource information and retaining records.							
no third parties / not applicable							
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?				
1	Direct payment to utility company	Tribal Hardship / Tribal Funds	Assistance Provided.				

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## **Section 15 - Training**

Policies are outlined in a vendor manual	
Other - Describe:	
15.2 Does your training program address fraud reporting and prevention? Yes No	
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.	nat could not be made in

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# 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.

n/a (tribal grantee)

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Section 17: Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)										
17.1 Fraud Reporting Mechanisms										
a. Describe all mechanisms available to the public for reporting cases of suspected waste, fraud, and abuse. Select all that apply.										
Online Fraud Reporting										
Dedicated Fraud Reporting Hotline										
Report directly to local	ager	ncy/district office o	r Grantee offi	ce						
Report to State Inspector General or Attorney General										
	Forms and procedures in place for local agencies/district offices and vendors to report fraud, waste, and abuse									
Other - Describe:										
Tribal Attorney, Countribut time and action taken.	t offi	cials, and /or Police	will be advise	ed of	any suspected was	ste, fraud, or abu	se. A	ppropriate action	is determined at	
b. Describe strategies in place for	adver	rtising the above-re	ferenced reso	urce	s. Select all that a	apply				
Printed outreach mater	rials									
Addressed on LIHEAF	app	lication								
Website										
Other - Describe:										
17.2. Identification Documentation	n Req	uirements								
a. Indicate which of the following members.	form	s of identification a	re required o	r req	uested to be colle	ected from LIHI	EAP	applicants or the	eir household	
					Collected from	n Whom?				
Type of Identification Collected		Applicant Only			All Adults in Household			All Household Members		
		Required	шу		Required	lousenoia		Required	Members	
Social Security Card is photocopied and retained		-						-		
		Requested			Requested			Requested		
	>			~			>			
		Required			Required			Required		
Social Security Number (Without actual Card)										
		Requested			Requested			Requested		
	>	_		~			>			
		Required			Required		Required			
Government-issued identification card				~			>			
(i.e.: driver's license, state ID, Tribal ID, passport, etc.)		Requested			Requested			Requested		
Other		Applicant Only Required	Applicant On Requested		All Adults in Household	All Adults in Household		All Household Members	All Household Members	

					Required	Requested	Required	Requested
1	recognize	nembership in a federally d tribal nation or Degree of Indian Blood.						
b. D	b. Describe any exceptions to the above policies. Lost cards - will accept receipt from Social security. Minor - newborn children that has not yet received Social Security card - will accept a certification of birth from hospital pending the official state issued birth certificate or shot record. Other federal or tribal document which shows Social Security number such as tribal enrollment card or insurance card. With COVID and limited access to Social Security office, each case is reviewed for exceptions. In some cases, we are able to go to previously submitted applications (previous year) to pull a copy if the situation warrants, case-by-case basis.							
17.	17.3 Identification Verification							
	Describe what methods are used to verify the authenticity of identification documents provided by clients or household members. Select all that apply							
	Verify SSNs with Social Security Administration							
	Match SSNs with death records from Social Security Administration or state agency							
	Match SSNs with state eligibility/case management system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)							
	Match with state Department of Labor system							
	Match with state and/or federal corrections system							
	Match	with state child support	system					
	Verifi	cation using private softv	vare (e.g., The Wor	·k Number)				
	In-per	son certification by staff	(for tribal grantee	s only)				
	Match	SSN/Tribal ID number	with tribal databas	se or enrollment re	cords (for tribal g	grantees only)		
	Other	- Describe:						
all t	17.4. Citizenship/Legal Residency Verification         What are your procedures for ensuring that household members are U.S. citizens or aliens who are qualified to receive LIHEAP benefits? Select all that apply.         ✓       Clients sign an attestation of citizenship or legal residency         ✓       Client's submission of Social Security cards is accepted as proof of legal residency         ✓       Noncitizens must provide documentation of immigration status         ✓       Citizens must provide a copy of their birth certificate, naturalization papers, or passport         ✓       Noncitizens are verified through the SAVE system							
	Trib	al members are verified t	hrough Tribal enro	ollment records/T	ribal ID card			
	Other - Describe:							
17.	5. Income	Verification						
_	_	ls does your agency utiliz	e to verify househo	old income? Select	all that apply.			
	C Requi	re documentation of inco	me for all adult ho	usehold members				
	×	Pay stubs						
	<b>~</b>	Social Security award le	etters					
	×	Bank statements						
	<b>V</b>	Tax statements						
	<b>&gt;</b>	Zero-income statements	5					
	<b>&gt;</b>	Unemployment Insuran	ce letters					
	<b>~</b>	Other - Describe:						
	Self-certification statements with notarized signatures are accepted if unable to provide other documentation of income as noted in the list above. (ex: pay stubs from some online pay system is frequently difficult to obtain if the person no longer works there); award/benefit letters - retirement, pensions, per capita, etc. Social Security has limited access to their offices. Some documentation is not available for Oklahoma residences for self service							
	Com	puter data matches:						
		Income information ma	tched against state	computer system	(e.g., SNAP, TAN	F)		

Proof of unemployment benefits verified with state Department of Labor						
Social Security income verified with SSA						
Utilize state directory of new hires						
Other - Describe:						
17 C. Destantion of Delenance and Com Colored a Plan						
17.6. Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality 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						
Grantee LIHEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards						
Employee training on confidentiality for:						
Grantee employees						
Local agencies/district offices						
Employees must sign confidentiality agreement						
Grantee employees						
Local agencies/district offices						
Physical files are stored 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 register with the State/TTDE.     All vendors must supply a valid SSN or TIN/W-9 form						
<ul> <li>An vendors must supply a value 351 of 111 (vive form</li> <li>Vendors are verified through energy bills provided by the household</li> </ul>						
Grantee and/or local agencies/district offices perform physical monitoring of vendors						
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Other - Describe and note any exceptions to policies above:						
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Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism	
Other - Describe:	
17.9. Benefits Policy - Bulk Fuel Vendors	
What procedures are in place for averting fraud and improper payments when dealing with bulk fuel suppliers of heating oil, propane, wo and other bulk fuel vendors? Select all that apply.	od,
Vendors are checked against an approved vendors list	
Centralized computer system/database is used to track payments to all vendors	
Clients are relied on for reports of non-delivery or partial delivery	
Two-party checks are issued naming client and vendor	
Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only	
Vendors are only paid once they provide a delivery receipt signed by the client	
Conduct monitoring of bulk fuel vendors	
Bulk fuel vendors are required to submit reports to the Grantee	
Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism	
V Other - Describe:	
Clients are required to provide an 'estimated bill' which includes client account number. Once approved, the bulk vendor is notified b of 'promise to pay'. The statement reads: CPN will be paying the amount indicated above. The client will be responsible for any additional cl that may be incurred. The client is also notified of the amount authorized. It is the client responsibility to report non-delivery or partial delive the bulk fuel which was authorized and paid by CPN. To be a vendor, a W-9 is required with Tax Identification Number provided. This is ch against the TIN system.	harges ery of
17.10. Investigations and Prosecutions	
Describe the Grantee's procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients/staff/vendors four have committed fraud. Select all that apply.	ind to
Refer to state Inspector General	
Refer to local prosecutor or state Attorney General	
<b>Refer to US DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline)</b>	
Local agencies/district offices or Grantee conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public	
Grantee attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process	
Tribal Police, Attorney, and/or Court officials are advised of suspected fraud. Grantee attempts to collect improper payments directly unsuccessful, it is turned over the court system and tribal police.	. If
IF determination is made that fraud has occurred, clients are banned for a minimum of 1 year up to 3 years. The matter is turned ove the tribal court system. It is up to the prosecuting attorney and court as to what further action may be taken.	r to
Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? minimum 1 year to exceed 3 years	not
Contracts with local agencies require that employees found to have committed fraud are reprimanded and/or terminated	
Vendors found to have committed fraud may no longer participate in LIHEAP	
Other - Describe:	
Tribal Police, Attorney, and/or Court officials are advised of suspected fraud. Grantee attempts to collect improper payments directly unsuccessful, it is turned over the court system and tribal police.	. If
IF determination is made that fraud has occurred, clients are banned for a minimum of 1 year up to 3 years. The matter is turned over tribal court system. It is up to the prosecuting attorney and court as to what further action may be taken	to the
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## 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 certification 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 grantee 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 grantee 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 grantees other than individuals, Alternate I applies.

4. For grantees who are individuals, Alternate II applies.

5. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee 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 grantee's 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 grantee 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. Grantees' 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 grantee 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 grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

**Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements** 

Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals)

The grantee 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 grantee's 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 grantee's 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 grantee 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 (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Citizen Potawatomi Nation  * Address Line 1		
Workforce & Social Services Address Line 2		
1549 Workforce Drive Address Line 3		
Shawnee * City	<sup>ok</sup> <u>* State</u>	<sup>74801</sup> <u>* Zip Code</u>
Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.		
Alternate II. (Grantees Who Are Individuals)		
(a) The grantee 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.		
[55 FR 21690, 21702,	May 25, 1990]	
By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out above.		

Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

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 \$10,000 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, the prospective primary 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;		
(1) coordinate its activities under this title with similar and related programs		

(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 grantees 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.

#### **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).