#### **DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)**

**Program Name:** Low Income Home Energy Assistance

**Grantee Name:** IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & WELFARE **Report Name:** DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP) Revision # 1

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#### **Mandatory Grant Application SF-424**

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

_		* 1.b. Frequency:  Annual	Plan/F	* 1.c. Consolidated Application/ Plan/Funding Request? Explanation:		* 1.d. Version:  © Initial  C Resubmission  C Revision  C Update	
			2. Date	Received:		State Use Only:	
			3. App	icant Identifie	r:		
				que Entity Ide	ntifier (UEI)	5. Date Received By State:	
			4b. Fed	leral Award Id	entifier:	6. State Application Identifier:	
7. APPLICANT INFO	ORMATION	•	ıı.			7	
* a. Legal Name: Ida	ho Department	of Health and Welfare					
* b. Address:							
* Street 1:	DIVISION C	OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES	Stre	et 2:	450 WEST S	TATE STREET	
* City:	BOISE		Cou	nty:			
* State:	ID		Pro	vince:			
* Country:	United States		* Zi Code:	p / Postal	83720 - 0036	j	
c. Organizational	Unit:						
<b>Department Name</b> Self-Reliance	e:		III .	sion Name: on of Self-Relia	nnce		
		person to be contacted on matters in t of Health and Human Services' LI				be listed on Notice of Funding	
* First Name: Lisa			* Last Name: Johnson				
Title: Program Manager				<b>zational Affilia</b> Dept of Health			
* Telephone Number 208-334-5739	:		<b>Fax Number</b> 208-334-5817				
* Email: Lisa.Johnson@dhw.i	daho.gov						
* 8. TYPE OF APPL A: State Government	ICANT:						
* a. Is the applican	t a Tribal Con	sortium: O Yes O No					
* b. If yes please at	ttach at least oi	ne the following documentation:					
		Catalog of Federal Dome Assistance Number:	stic	cFDA Title:		FDA Title:	
9. CFDA Numbers and	Titles	93.568	P3.568 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program			Assistance Program	
	10. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program						
11. AREAS AFFECTED BY FUNDING: Statewide							
12. CONGRESSION.	AL DISTRICT	S OF APPLICANT:					
13. FUNDING PERIOD:							
<b>a. Start Date:</b> 10/01/2024			<b>b. End Date:</b> 09/30/2025				
* 14. IS SUBMISSIO	N SUBJECT T	O REVIEW BY STATE UNDER E	XECUTI	VE ORDER 1	2372 PROCES	SS?	
a. This submission	was made ava	ilable to the State under Executive C	Order 123	372			

Process for review on: b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for review. c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372. \*15. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? NO
 NO If Yes, explain: 16. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications\*\* and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances\*\* and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001) \*\*I Agree 🗹 \*\* The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions. 17a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official Miren Unsworth 17c. Telephone (area code, number and extension) 17d. Email Address miren.unsworth@dhw.idaho.gov 17b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official 17e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) 09/13/2024 sign

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**Section 1 - Program Components** 

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

	Section 1 Program Components					
Pro	gram Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)					
(No	Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. te: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in plan.)	Dates of (	Operation			
		Start Date End Date				
>	Heating assistance	10/01/2024	03/31/2025			
	Cooling assistance					
	Summer crisis assistance					
	Winter crisis assistance					
>	Year-round crisis assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025			
×	Weatherization assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2026			
Provide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary						
End dates are estimated, dependent on funding.						
Esti	mated Funding Allocation, 2604(C), 2605(k)(1), 2605(b)(9), 2605(b)(16) - Assurances 9 and 16					
	stimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: total of all percentages must add up to 100%.	Percentage ( % )	Prior year totals			
Н	eating assistance	58.40%	60.20%			
C	ooling assistance	0.00%	0.00%			
S	ummer crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%			
V	/inter crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%			
Y	ear-round crisis assistance	13.40%	10.50%			
V	/eatherization assistance	15.00%	15.00%			
С	arryover to the following federal fiscal year	0.00%	0.00%			
A	dministrative and planning costs	10.00%	10.00%			
S	ervices to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)	3.00%	4.10%			
U	sed to develop and implement leveraging activities	0.20%	0.20%			
тот	AL	100.00%	100.00%			

Tribal grant recipients: direct-grant tribes, tribal organizations, or territories with allotments of \$20,000 or less may use for planning and administration up to 20% of the funds payable. Grant recipients that are direct grant tribes, tribal organizations, or territories with allotments over \$20,000 may use for

		purposes up to 20% of the fi must be paid from non-feder		00) plus 10% of the funds	payable that exceeds \$	20,000. Any administrative
1.3 T	he funds reserved for	winter crisis assistance tha	t have not been exp	pended by March 15 wil	l be reprogrammed t	0:
		Heating assistance			Cooling assist	ance
/		Weatherization assistan	ce	<u> </u>	Other (specify round	7:) Crisis is offered year-
1.4 D					at least one of the follo	owing categories of benefits
If yo	u answered "Yes" to q	uestion 1.4, you must com	plete the table belov	w and answer questions	1.5 and 1.6.	
			Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization
TANI	?		C Yes O No	C Yes O No	C Yes O No	C Yes O No
SSI			⊙ Yes O No	C Yes O No	⊙ Yes O No	⊙ Yes ○No
SNAF	•		⊙ Yes C No	O Yes O No	⊙ Yes C No	⊙ Yes ○No
Mean	s-tested Veterans Progra	ms	⊙ Yes ○ No	C Yes O No	⊙ Yes ○ No	⊙ Yes ○No
1.5 D	Year (October 1st Sep for services under the	aving at least one member wotember 30th); Supplementa Low-Income Home Energy	d Security Income (S Assistance Program	SSI), and/or Means-tested n (LIHEAP).		re categorically eligible (CE)
	s, explain:					
	P Nominal Payments	AP funds toward a nomina	l payment for SNA	P households? © Yes	€ No	
		uestion 1.7a, you must pro				
	Amount of Nominal As			1		
	Frequency of Assistanc					
1	Once Per Year					
	Once every five years	3				
	Other - Describe:					
1.7d	How do you confirm th	nat the household receiving	g a nominal paymer	nt has an energy cost or	need?	
Dete	rmination of Eligibility	- Countable Income				
1.8. I	n determining a house	hold's income eligibility fo	or LIHEAP, do you	use gross income or net	income?	
<b>v</b>	Gross Income					
	Net Income					
	Other - Describe					
1.9. 8	Select all the applicable	forms of countable incom	ne used to determin	e a household's income	eligibility for LIHEA	P
<b>V</b>	Wages					
V	Self - Employment In	come				

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~	Contract Income					
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~	Payments from mortgage or Sales Contracts					
>	Unemployment insurance					
•	Onemployment insurance					
	Su-!l-, D					
~	Strike Pay					
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~	Social Security Administration (SSA ) benefits					
	☐ Including MediCare ☐ Excluding MediCare deduction					
	deduction					
<	Supplemental Security Income (SSI )					
~	Retirement / pension benefits					
	General Assistance benefits					
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits					
	Temporary Assistance for Accus Pannines (TAMP) otheries					
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1	Loans that need to be repaid					
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	Cash gifts					
	Savings account balance					
	One-time lump-sum payments, such as rebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.					
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V	Jury duty compensation					
	Rental income					
~	Rental income					
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~	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)					
1	Income from work study programs					
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~	Alimony					
	Child support					
~	Interest, dividends, or royalties					
~	Commissions					
	Logal cattlements					
	Legal settlements					
	Insurance payments made directly to the insured					
	Insurance payments made specifically for the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate					
	Veterans Administration (VA) benefits					
	Earned income of a child under the age of 18					
	Balance of retirement, pension, or annuity accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.					
	Income toy refunds					
	Income tax refunds					

	Stipends from senior companion programs, such as VISTA
	Funds received by household for the care of a foster child
	Ameri-Corp Program payments for living allowances, earnings, and in-kind aid
	Reimbursements (for mileage, gas, lodging, meals, etc.)
>	Other
	Annuities, Private Disability Insurance, Trust Fund Income or Workman's Compensation benefits. Infrequent, irregular, or unpredictable income from gifts or lottery winnings of more than thirty dollars (\$30) during the prior month.
	ny of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.
1.10	Do you have an online application process  Yes No
1.1	0a If yes, describe the type of online application (Select all boxes that apply)
<b>\</b>	A PDF version of the application is available online and can be downloaded, filled out and mailed in for processing.
	A state-wide online application that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.
	One or more locally available online applications that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.
	Online application that is also mobile friendly
	Other, please describe
Pleas	e include a link(s) to a statewide application, if available:
	https://public documents. dhw. idaho.gov/WebLink/Browse. aspx? id=30304 &dbid=0 & repo=PUBLIC-DOCUMENTS
1.10b	Can all program components be applied for online? • Yes O No
If no.	explain which components can and cannot be applied for online.
1.11	Do you have a process for conducting and completing applications by phone 💽 Yes 🔼 No
1.12	Do you or any of your subrecipients require in person appointments in order to apply C Yes 🕟 No
If yes	, please provide more information regarding why in-person appointments are required and in what circumstances they are required.
1.13	How can applicants submit documentation for verification? Select all that apply:
>	In-person
>	Mail
~	Email
	Portal application
~	Other, please describe
	Drop-box and fax.

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#### **Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE**

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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 2 - Heating Assistance

#### **Section 2 - Heating Assistance** Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2 2.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the heating component: Household size Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold State Median Income 60.00% State Median Income 60.00% State Median Income 60.00% 60.00% State Median Income 60.00% State Median Income 60.00% State Median Income 60 00% State Median Income 150.00% **HHS Poverty Guidelines** 150.00% HHS Poverty Guidelines 10 10 150.00% HHS Poverty Guidelines 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% 2.2 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for **Heating Assistance?** 2.3 Check the appropriate boxes below and describe the policies for each. Do you require an Assets test? 🖸 Yes 🔞 No If yes, describe: Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for: 🖸 Yes 🔞 No If yes, describe: Renters Living in subsidized housing? O Yes O No If yes, describe: Renters with utilities included in the rent? If yes, describe: Verification that household has a financial responsibility for heating costs when the utility bill is not in a household member name. Do you give priority in eligibility to: Older Adults (60 years or older)? O Yes O No If yes, describe: Individuals with a disability? Yes 💽 No If yes, describe: C Yes No Young children? If yes, describe:

Households with high energy burdens?	O Yes 💿	No						
If yes, describe:	·							
Other?	O Yes 💽	No						
If yes, describe:	·							
Explanations of policies for each "yes" checked above	/e:							
Must reside in Idaho. The household mu	Must reside in Idaho. The household must pay for home heating costs, either directly or through rental costs.							
Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5,	2605(c)(1)(B)							
2.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of heat etc.	ing assistance to vi	ulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amo	unts, early application periods,					
		eligible for a LIHEAP benefit receive incre m year is \$25.	ased funding through a target					
2.5 Check the variables you use to determine your be	enefit levels. (Check	all that apply):						
<b>☑</b> Income								
Family (household) size								
<b>✓</b> Home energy cost or need:								
<b>✓</b> Fuel type								
Individual bill								
Dwelling type	Dwelling type							
Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)								
Energy need								
Other - Describe:								
Households with no specific heat cost ob	ligation (included in	rent) will receive the minimum benefit.						
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(l	3)							
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the fiscal yes shown in the payment matrix.	ar for which this pl	an applies. Please note: the maximum and	1 minimum benefits must be					
Minimum Benefit	\$75	Maximum Benefit	\$1,242					
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, space hear	ters) and/or other f	orms of benefits?2  Yes  No						
If yes, describe.								
During a governor-declared disaster or st shortages experienced by participant households		rtion of the LIHEAP grant funds may be us	sed for home heating supply					
If any of the above questions requir the fields provided, attach a docume			t could not be made in					

#### **Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE**

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**Section 3 - Cooling Assistance** 

	Section 3 - Cooling Assistance							
Eligibility, 2605(	Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2							
3.1 Designate Th	e income eligibility threshold used for th	e Cooling o	component:					
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Thresho	old			
1					0.00%			
3.2 Do you have a Cooling assistant	additional eligibility requirements for ce?	C Yes	O <sub>No</sub>					
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the	policies for	each.					
Do you require a	n Assets test?	O Yes	O <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:		-						
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:							
Renters?		O Yes	O <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:		•						
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing?	O Yes	C <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:		•						
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent?	O Yes	C <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:								
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:							
Older Adu	lts (60 years or older)?	O Yes	C <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:								
Individuals	s with a disability?	O Yes	C <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:								
Young chil	dren?	O Yes	C <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:								
Household	s with high energy burdens?	O Yes	C <sub>No</sub>					
If yes, describe:		103						
Other?		C Yes	C No.					
If yes, describe:		io res						
	policies for each "yes" checked above:							
	<u> </u>	ssistance to	o vulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amou	nts, early application pe	eriods.			
etc.	71			, J P	,			
Determination of	f Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605	(c)(1)(B)						
3.5 Check the va	riables you use to determine your benefi	t levels. (Cl	heck all that apply):					
Income								
Family (hor	usehold) size							
Home energ	gy cost or need:							
	type							
	nate/region							
	Individual bill							

Dwelling type						
Energy burden (% of income spen	nt on home energy)					
Energy need						
Other - Describe:						
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(	c)(1)(B)					
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the fiss shown in the payment matrix.	cal year for which this plan	a applies. Please note: the maximum and min	nimum benefits must	be		
Minimum Benefit \$0 Maximum Benefit \$0						
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air conditioners) and/or other forms of benefits? O Yes O No						
If yes, describe.						
If any of the above questions rec	-		ould not be ma	ade in		

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**Section 4 - Crisis Assistance** 

#### **Section 4: CRISIS ASSISTANCE**

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

4.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the crisis component

Add	Household size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold
1	1	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	State Median Income	60.00%
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.

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

Idaho defines a crisis as a situation where an eligible household has a utility service that is disconnected, their service is pending disconnection status, has less than 48 hours of bulk fuel, requires a utility pole or gas line hookup and lack of access would result in a health or safety concern or the household cannot maintain a payment agreement with the utility company and the account will move into the pending disconnection process and will make the household ineligible for future payment arrangements. Households are eligible to one Crisis benefit per season, however, when funding is available, a second LIHEAP Crisis payment may be authorized, based on request, to alleviate heat related cooling needs.

#### 4.3 What constitutes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u>

When an eligible household contains at least one household member with an illness or medical condition that poses an immediate risk due to the loss of the energy source or has a medical condition requiring the use of an energy source to operate a medical device or store medication.

#### 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)

		Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-Round Crisis		
4.6 Do you have addit	ional eligibility requirements for Crisis Assistance?			~		
<b>4.7 Check the approp</b> 0	riate boxes below to indicate type(s) of assistance provided		•			
Do you require an As	sets test?					
Do you give priority i	n eligibility to:					
Older Adults (6	0 years or older)?					
Individuals witl	n a disability?					
Young Children	?					
Households wit	h high energy burdens?					
Other (Specify)	:					
In Order to receive cr	risis assistance:	- 11	*	- 17		
Must the house	hold have received a shut-off notice or have a near empty tank?			<b>~</b>		
Must the house	hold have been shut off or have an empty tank?					
Must the house	hold have exhausted their regular heating benefit?					
Must renters w	th heating costs included in their rent have received an eviction notice?			<b>~</b>		
Must heating/co	ooling be medically necessary?					
Must the house	hold have non-working heating or cooling equipment?					
Other (Specify)	:					
Do you have addition	al/differing eligibility policies for:			_ !!		
Renters?						
Renters living in	n subsidized housing?					
Renters with ut	ilities included in the rent?					
Explanations of polici	es for each "yes" checked above:	-11		- 17.		
Household must reside in Idaho and the household must pay for home heating costs, either directly or thorough rental costs. Verification of disconnection or pending disconnection must be provided or a statement from the household that they have less than 48 hours of bulk fuel must be on file to receive crisis.						
Determination of Ben	efits					
4.8 How do you hand	le crisis situations?					
<b>V</b>	Separate component					
	Benefit Fast Track, no separate amount of crisis funds is issued. Rather bene response time frames.	fits are issued t	o crisis custom	ers within crisis		
	Other - Describe:					
4.9 If you have a sepa	rate component, how do you determine crisis assistance benefits?					
	Amount to resolve the crisis. \$0					
Other - Describe:						
Crisis benefits are based on actual need, verified by a bill or billing portal. Payment is made to the utility vendor and/or the customer, for bulk fuel, up to the maximum benefit of \$1,500.00.						
Crisis Requirements,	2604(c)					
	plications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographically accessible	e to all househ	olds in the area	to be served?		
⊙ Yes O No E						

4.11 Do you provide individuals who are individuals with a disability the means to:						
Submit applications 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 ○ No						
If No, explain.						
If you answered "No" to both options in question disabled?	4.11, please	explain alter	rnative means of intake to those who are homebound or physically			
Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)						
4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for each type o	f crisis assis	tance offere	d.			
Winter Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit						
Summer Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit						
Year-round Crisis \$1,500.00 maximum ben	efit					
4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space h	eaters, fans)	and/or othe	er forms of benefits?			
<b>⊙</b> Yes <b>○</b> No <b>If yes, Describe</b>						
shortages experienced by participant househol	lds.		on of the LIHEAP grant funds may be used for home heating supply			
4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or repla	cement usin	g crisis fund	is?			
C Yes O No						
If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14, you must	complete qu	estion 4.15.				
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below to indicate ty	pe(s) of assis	stance provi	ded.			
	Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-round Crisis			
Heating system repair						
Heating system replacement						
Cooling system repair						
Cooling system replacement						
Wood stove purchase						
Pellet stove purchase						
Solar panel(s)						
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups						
Other (Specify):						
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with en	nforce a mo	ratorium on	shut offs?			
€ Yes C No						
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must	t respond to	question 4.1	7.			
4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and an	v special dis	pensation re	eceived by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.			
	J - P	P	F			

4.18 If you experience a natural disaster, do you intend to utilize LIHEAP crisis funds to address disaster related crisis situations? • Yes No
In the event of state or federal declared natural or manmade disaster, Idaho may request permission to use LIHEAP resources to provide emergency services to low-income individuals and families in the designated disaster area.
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 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE**

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**Section 5 - Weatherization Assistance** 

	Sectio	n 5: WEATHE	RIZATION ASSISTANCE	2
Eligibility, 2605(c)	)(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assur	rance 2		
5.1 Designate the i	ncome eligibility threshol	d used for the Weatheriz	zation component	
Add	Househo	ld Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold
1	All Household Sizes		HHS Poverty Guidelines	200.00%
No			ernment agency administer a WEATHERI	ZATION component? O Yes .
	e agency and attach a cop			
5.4 Is there a separ	rate monitoring protocol	for weatherization? 💽 Y	/es O No	
WEATHERIZAT	ION - Types of Rules			
5.5 Under what ru	lles do you administer LII	HEAP weatherization? (	Check only one.)	
Entirely und	ler LIHEAP (not DOE) r	ales		
Entirely und	ler DOE WAP (not LIHE	AP) rules		
Mostly unde	er LIHEAP rules with the	following DOE WAP ru	le(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules differ	(Check all that apply):
<b>✓</b> Incom	e Threshold			
	nerization of entire multi- ill become eligible within		is permitted if at least 66% of units (50% i	in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are
Weath care facilities).	nerize shelters temporaril	y housing primarily low i	income persons (excluding nursing homes,	prisons, and similar institutional
<b>✓</b> Other	- Describe:			
efficiency ir Grantee-Ap funds. Wea	mprovement would occur is proved "Deemed Measures	f the building were weathe "List as an alternative to OOE WAP maximum state"	nitted if at least 50% of units are eligible units rized, and authorization has been provided by completing a full energyaudit if dwellings are wide average cost per dwelling unit. Weathe	when the grantee. Agencies may use a weatherized solely using LIHEAP
Mostly unde	er DOE WAP rules, with	the following LIHEAP ru	ıle(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules differ	r (Check all that apply.)
Incom	e Threshold			
Weath	Weatherization not subject to DOE WAP maximum statewide average cost per dwelling unit.			
Weatherization measures are not subject to DOE Savings to Investment Ration (SIR ) standards.				
Other	- Describe:			
Eligibility, 2605(b)	)(5) - Assurance 5			
5.6 Do you require	e an assets test?	C Yes O No		
5.7 Do you have ac	dditional/differing eligibil	ity policies for :		
Renters		€ Yes € No		
Renters livin housing?	ng in subsidized	• Yes O No		
Renters with	utilities included in the	⊙ Yes O No		

rent?				
5.8 Do you give priority in eligibility to:				
Older Adults?	⊙ Yes ○ No			
Individuals with a disability?	⊙ Yes O No			
Young Children?	⊙ Yes O No			
House holds with high energy burdens?	• Yes O No			
Other?	C Yes C No			
If you selected "Yes" for any of the option below.	ns in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, y	you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field		
Applicants that rent their hon Weatherization Operations Manual (	-	ner and Renter agreement as outlined in the DOE-Approved Idaho		
Idaho considers the presence of elder priority demographics for weatheriza		9, in the household as well as households with high energy burdens as		
Benefit Levels				
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP wes	atherization benefit/expenditur	re per household? O Yes O No		
5.9a If yes, what is the maximum? \$0				
5.10 Do you use an Average Cost per Unit (ACPU). O Yes O No				
5.10a If so, what is the ACPU amount? \$0				
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)				
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization measu	ures 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/repairs	Windows/sliding glass doors		
<b>✓</b> Furnace replacement		<b>✓</b> Doors		
Cooling system modifications/repa	irs	<b>✓</b> Water Heater		
Water conservation measures		Cooling system replacement		
Roof top solar	Roof top solar Community solar projects			
Compact florescent light bulbs  Attic floor installation, duct sealing, general heat waste reduction, LED bulbs and Spray Foam insulation. Portable space heaters for participants with failed heating systems, during the heating season. Other low-cost or cost-effective energy conservation measures specifically allowed under to grantee's deemed measures list.				
If any of the above questions the fields provided, attach a		anation or clarification that could not be made in 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 eligible households are made aware of all LIHEAP assavailable:	sistance
Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc.	
Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements.	
☑ Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance.	
Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients.	
Inform low income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance at application intake for other low-income programs.	
Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups.	
Web Posting	
<b>✓</b> Email	
<b>✓</b> Texting	
<b>Events</b>	
Social Media	
Other (specify):  presentations at community meetings and at interagency meetings	
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be m	nade in

#### Section 7 - Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4

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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 7 - Coordination

# Section 7: Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4 7.1 Describe how you will ensure that the LIHEAP program is coordinated with other programs available to low-income households (TANF, SSI, WAP, etc.). Joint application for multiple programs (indicate programs included) Weatherization, CSBG, TEFAP Intake referrals to/from other programs (indicate programs included) SNAP, Child Support, Weatherization, Head Start One - stop intake centers Other - Describe:

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

	Section 8: Agency Designation recipients a	and the Commo		•	tate Grant	
8.1 Ho	w would you categorize the primary respons	sibility of your State ago	ency?			
>	Administration Agency					
	Commerce Agency					
	Community Services Agency					
	Energy/Environment Agency					
	Housing Agency					
	State Department of Welfare (administers	TANF, SNAP, and/or M	Iedicaid)			
	Economic Development Agency					
	Other - Describe:					
	e current list of subrecipient name, main off imber. <i>Used for Near hotline and OCS Servic</i>			er, county(s) served, Cor	ngressional District, and	
If you	ate Outreach and Intake, 2605(b)(15) - Assu selected "State Department of Welfare (adn 8.4, as applicable.		and/or Medicaid)'' in o	question 8.1, you must con	mplete questions 8.2, 8.	
	w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for heating assistar	nce?			
	N/A					
8.3 Ho	w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for cooling assistan	ce?>			
N/A						
8.4 Ho	w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for crisis assistance				
N/A						
	HEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization	
	8.5a Who determines client eligibility? Community Action Agencies Non-Applicable Community Action Agencies Community Action Agencies Community Action Agencies					
	8.5b Who processes benefit payments to gas and electric vendors?  State Administration Agency  Non-Applicable State Administration Agency					

8.5c w	ho processes benefit payments to bulk fuel	State Administration Agency	Non-Applicable	State Administration Agency	
8.5d Who performs installation of weatherization measures?					Community Action Agencies
num If an	ude a current list of subrecipie ber, county(s) served, Congressive of your LIHEAP component plete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and	ssional District,	and UEI numb	oer.	
8.6 Wł	nat is your process for selecting local admini	stering agencies?			
	In Idaho, Community Action Agencies exemption, Community Action Agencies are of		lding process for subgra	ants. In the Department of I	Purchasing bid
	Community Action Agencies - Comm detailed in the CSBG Act, Public Law 105-28. responsibilities.				
8.7 Ho	w many local administering agencies do you	use? 7			
8.8 Ha Ye No	ve you changed any local administering age s	ncies in the last year?			
8.9 If s	o, why?				
	Agency was in noncompliance with Grant 1	ecipient requirements	for LIHEAP -		
	Agency is under criminal investigation				
	Added agency				
	Agency closed				
	Other - describe				
8.10 If No	N/A a subrecipient is no longer providing LIHE.	AP, are you aware of p	rior-year LIHEAP fui	nds being mismanaged or 1	misspent? © Yes
8.10	a If yes, please explain.				
	N/A  b If you are aware, were other federal progrerization funding, etc.  Yes No	ams impacted such as	CSBG, SSBG, Head S	tart, TANF, and Departm	ent of Energy
	c If yes, please explain.				
	N/A				
	y of the above questions requi	-			I not be made

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#### LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) **MODEL PLAN Section 9 - Energy Suppliers**

	Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7
9.1 Do you make pa	yments directly to home energy suppliers?
Heating	<b>⊙</b> Yes <b>○</b> No
Cooling	C Yes C No
Crisis	• Yes O No
Are there exception	ons? • Yes • No
If yes, Describe.	
payments dir	sends payments via ACH or by state warrant to utility companies who have signed up to be LIHEAP vendors. Idaho makes ectly to the participants when the household's heat is included in the rent and when there is not an available home energy supplier t LIHEAP vendor agreement on file (i.e., when the household utilizes bulk fuel).
9.2 How do you not	ify the client of the amount of assistance paid?
All pa	rticipants receive a benefit determination letter in-person, by mail or by electronic message.
actual cost of the ho	are that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the ome energy and the amount of the payment?
We p	erform monitoring of home energy suppliers to verify that the payment was applied to the customer account correctly and timely.
9.4 How do you assistance?	are that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP
	erform monitoring of home energy suppliers to ensure LIHEAP households are treated the same as other customers. We require suppliers to sign a vendor agreement where they agree to not treat LIHEAP customers differently than non-LIHEAP eligible
9.5. Do you make p households? ••• Yes ••• No	ayments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	e measures unregulated vendors may take. e template statewide vendor agreement or a policy that indicates local agreements must adhere to statewide policies and
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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit

#### Section 10: Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10)

#### 10.1. How do you ensure good fiscal accounting and tracking of funds?

LIHEAP funds are distributed between Administrative, Program Support, Leveraging and Assurance 16 categories up to the grant award amount. Each funding category is assigned a project number and tracked to ensure that expenditures do not exceed the amount allocated to the budget category. Subgrantee's submit monthly invoices that are reviewed for allowability of expenditures, and to ensure funding does not exceed the amount allocated in the subgrant/budget category. Vendor refunds are reviewed by the Program and are logged. Vendors are required to provide information that explains the refund so that the original issuance date can be identified. Program notifies fiscal of the correct program year to record the refund. Idaho uses LUMA as their fiscal software system.

Subgrant Expenditures: Subgrant Recipients are required to submit monthly invoices by the 15th of the month, for the prior month. Invoices are reviewed for completeness and accuracy by a separate unit at Health and Welfare. Part of this review involves ensuring that the Subgrantee has enough funding to be reimbursed. The Program Manager reviews expenditures monthly to monitor progress of fund expenditures. Subgrantee's are contacted prior to the end of the contractual period to review remaining funding, discuss ability to spend out allocated funding and perform Subgrant amendments to adjust funding that will not be expended to other Subgrantee's, if needed.

Tracking Funds: LIHEAP funds are tracked by funding categories using assigned project numbers. New project numbers are assigned at the start of each Program Year. This allows us to track funds that are issued as benefit and spent by the Grantee and Subgrantee's. The Grantee maintains a project number for their Administrative/Indirect costs and LIHEAP Benefits issued. Subgrantee's receive new project numbers, each season, for Administrative Funding, Assurance 16, Leveraging and LIHEAP Weatherization funds. Funding from other grant types (disaster, IIJA, etc.) is tracked the same way.

LIHEAP Refunds: LIHEAP funds that are returned come to the Grantee. We track these funds and record the refund on the participant file and in a tracking log. We require the vendor provide us the information about funds to identify who they are for, what Program Year they came from and why they are being returned.

#### 10.1a Provide your definitions of the following:

#### Obligation

Funds issued as a LIHEAP benefit or spent by the Grantee prior to September 30th of the current Program Year and funds that are put into Subgrant are considered obligated.

#### Expenditures

Benefits issued to eligible LIHEAP households and funds spent by the Grantee for program Administration on or before September 30th of the current Program Year, and allowable costs spent by Subgrantees during the two-year availability of funds.

#### **Expenditure timeframe**

Ninety percent of the funds must be spent or obligated before September 30th of the current program year. The remainder of funds must be spent by September 30th of the second year.

#### Administrative costs

Administrative Costs cannot exceed 10% of the federal award. This amount is determined at a state level. Administrative funding is split between the Grantee and the local community action agencies through Subgrant. Subgrantee funding is determined by formula. Administrative cost are the funds necessary for the proper administration and management oversight of the Idaho LIHEAP program, including all costs, both direct and indirect, associated with the general administration and coordination of the program; supportive services including accounting, human

res	resource, and procurement; development of policies, goals, and objectives; participant intake and eligibility determination; and monitoring.				
Audit Pro	ocess				
10.2. Is yo		udited annually under the Single Audit	t Act and OMB Circular A - 133?		
Au	dit in accordance with fed	-	iting standards. The Single Audit co		
		of the grant recipient (i.e. State/Tribe/ r general reviews, or other governmen		nterial weakness or reportable condition ecently audited fiscal year.	
No Findin	ngs				
Finding	Туре	Brief Summary	Resolved?	Action Taken	
1	reporting	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) performance and special reports did not include a review for accuracy and compliance prior to submission.	In Progress	procedure/policy changes	
2	financial	The review and approval of the annual updates to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) benefits matrix were not documented.	In Progress	procedure/policy changes	
3	financial	The review of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) earmarking compliance requirements was not documented.	In Progress	procedure/policy changes	
10.4. Aud	its of Local Administerin	ng Agencies			
	es of annual audit requir that apply.	rements do you have in place for local a	administering agencies/district of	fices?	
<b>&gt;</b>	Local agencies/district of	ffices are required to have an annual a	udit in compliance with Single A	udit Act and OMB Circular A-133	
	Local agencies/district of	ffices are required to have an annual a	audit (other than A-133)		
<b>&gt;</b>	Local agencies/district of	ffices' A-133 or other independent aud	its are reviewed by Grant recipie	nt as part of compliance process.	
	Grant recipient conducts	s fiscal and program monitoring of loc	al agencies/district offices		
~	Local agencies and distr	rict offices are required to have an ann	ual audit in compliance with Sing	gle Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133	
Complian	ce Monitoring				
10.5. Desc	ribe your monitoring pr	ocess for compliance at each level belo	ow. Check all that apply.		
Grant rec	ipients have a policy in p	olace for appropriate separation of dut	ties and internal controls.		
>	Internal program review	7			
>	<b>✓</b> Departmental oversight				
>	Secondary review of invoices and payments				
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:					
Local Adı	ministering Agencies/Dis	trict Offices:			
	On - site evaluation				
~	Annual program review				
Monitoring through central database					
	Don terens				
~	✓ Client File Testing/Sampling				

Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
10.6 Explain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
LIHEAP is reviewed monthly through quality assurance reviews of participant files throughout the program year. Annual monitoring reviews are completed and includes desk review of policy, processes and procedures, fiscal/administrative and program/contractual compliance. Risk assessments are performed prior to the issuance of subgrants and subgrant amendments to identify Subgrantees with a higher level of risk. Agencies identified as high risk may have an increased frequency of monitoring.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews. Attach a risk assessment if subrecipients are utilized.
Site Visits:
We plan to start tri-annual on-site monitoring in PY25.
Desk Reviews:
All agencies receive monthly file monitored and annual fiscal/administrative reviews.
10.8. How often is each local agency monitored? Please attach a monitoring schedule if one has been developed.  Annually
10.9. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans? 2
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**Section 11 - Timely and Meaningful Public Participation** 

Section 11: Timely and Meaning	gful Public Particip	ation, 2605(b)(12), 2605(C)(2)
11.1 How did you obtain input from the public in the develonote: Tribes do not need to hold a public hearing but must en		
Tribal Council meeting(s)		
Public Hearing(s)		
✓ Draft Plan posted to website and available for cor	nment	
Hard copy of plan is available for public view and	l comment	
Comments from applicants are recorded		
Request for comments on draft Plan is advertised		
Stakeholder consultation meeting(s)		
Comments are solicited during outreach activities	S	
Other - Describe:		
Community Action Agencies across the state populic hearing was posted to Idaho's townhall site to populate the populate of the		to attend the public hearing through social media. The
Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonw	vealth of Puerto Rico Only	
11.2 List the date and location(s) that you held public heari	ing(s) on the proposed use and	distribution of your LIHEAP funds?
	Date	Event Description
1	08/01/2024	Virtual Public Hearing via WebEx
11.3. How many parties commented on your plan at the hea	aring(s)? 0	
11.4 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing	(s).	
N/A	.,	
11.5 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as	a result of public participation	and solicitation of input?
N/A		

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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 12 - Fair Hearings

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

- 12.1 How many fair hearings did the Grant recipient have in the prior federal Fiscal Year?  $\,0\,$
- 12.2 How many of those fair hearings resulted in the initial decision being reversed?  $\,0\,$
- 12.3 Describe any policy and/or procedural changes made in the last federal Fiscal Year as a result of fair hearings?

N/A

#### 12.4 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are denied and/or not acted upon in a timely manner.

The household is given an eligibility determination notice upon completion of their application. LIHEAP participants and applicants have the right to request an administrative appeal or fair hearing if they disagree with the Department's decision. The participant's appeal rights are included on the eligibility determination notice and on the formal 'Notice of Denial' letter. If the participant feels they were wrongly denied services, the direct service provider holds a conference with the participant in attempt to resolve the issue. If the matter cannot be resolved, the direct service provider assists the household with completing the appeal form and submits the appeal request to the Department of Health and Welfare's Fair Hearing Unit.

Standard fair hearing procedure:

Appeal requests must be received within 30 days of the date of decision. The customer may complete the Fair Hearing Request form, submit a written request including their name, address, phone number and the issue they are contesting, or verbally request an appeal by calling the Department. Once a fair hearing request is received, the Fair Hearing Unit contacts the customer to discuss the basis of the hearing, address the customer's concerns

and clarify the action taken by the Department. If the contested issues is adequately addressed, the customer may elect to withdraw his/her appeal request. If the issue cannot be resolved, the appeal is scheduled with the hearing officer for a telephonic hearing. The hearing officer will mail or email a Notice of Scheduled Hearing to the customer and Department representative including the date, time and instructions for calling into the hearing. Once the hearing has taken place the hearing officer has 14 days to issue a preliminary order of decision, which is sent to the Department and the customer. If the individual does not agree with the hearing officer's decision, he or she has an opportunity to appeal the decision by filing a Petition for Review which is managed by the Administrative Procedures Section. Instructions and timeframes for requesting a Petition for Review are included in the preliminary order of decision.

#### 12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

This information is on the front page of LIHEAP application and the household is given an eligibility notice upon completion of their application. The participant's appeal rights are included on the eligibility notice and on the 'Notice of Denial.' The language aligns with other programs (SNAP, TAFI, etc.)

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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 13 - Reduction of Home Energy Needs

#### Section 13: Reduction of home energy needs, 2605(b)(16) - Assurance 16

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?

- · Include information on level payment plans during energy education, targeted to vulnerable populations and fixed income participants;
- In-home energy education to support installation of utility-provided kit materials;
- Purchase of low cost/no cost energy conservation items for non-regulated electric utility customers;
- · Leverage supplemental payments for participants who were unable to obtain their LIHEAP benefits;
- Referral to the Weatherization Assistance Program;
- · Referral to available utility-funded energy conservation programs/services; and
- Advocacy on behalf of households with home energy vendor to prevent disconnection.

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

We calculate up to 5% of the LIHEAP award as the maximum amount of funding. This amount is divided between the Subgrantee's using a funding formula. Assurance 16 funds are assigned a project number that is used by the Subgrantee's when they submit invoices. Program reviews each invoice for allowable costs and to ensure expenditures do not exceed the funding allocated.

#### 13.3 Describe the impact of such activities on the number of households served in the previous federal Fiscal Year.

A large impact of A16 services is utility shut off prevention and referral to the weatherization program. In the previous federal fiscal year, 11,576 households were in danger of having their utilities shut off and 9,975 of those households were identified as receiving services that preventing them from being shut off. In addition, 8,637 of 9,617 households experienced improved energy efficiency and/or energy burden reduction in their home.

13.4 Describe the level of direct benefits provided to those households in the previous federal Fiscal Year.

5.9% of LIHEAP benefits were paid directly to households.

13.5 How many households received these services? 21,230

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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program

#### Section 14:Leveraging Incentive Program, 2607(A)

14.2 Describe instructions to any third parties and/or local agencies for submitting LIHEAP leveraging resource information and retaining records.

Direct Service Providers pursue enhanced heat and weatherization funding through leveraging activities according to the guidelines set in the LIHEAP regulations outlined in 45 CFR 96.87, in DOE Grant Guidance and 10 CFR 440. Direct Service Providers will ensure all funds obtained from leveraging are used to increase LIHEAP impact on heating assistance and expand energy efficiency services and/or increase the number of dwelling units receiving weatherization services.

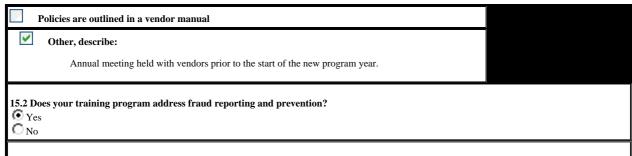
14.3 For each type of resource and/or benefit to be leveraged in the upcoming year that will meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R. § 96.87(d)(2)(iii), describe the following:

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	Cash Donations - Benefit	Community Members	Cash donations are used to offset utility bill assistance to low- income households.	
2	Energy Education Funding - Resource	Regulated electric utilities	Avista, Idaho Power, Rocky Mountain Power, Intermountain Gas, Dominion Energy and AM Conservation provide funding to agencies to provide services as: individualized education, host energy education events, and develop printe materials or provide energy conservation kits to customers, which increases th impact of bill assistance through energy conservation and education.	
3	Donated Winter Clothing/Blankets - Benefit	Community Members	Donations of warm clothing and blankets to agency to be used to benefit low-income households and individuals.	
4	Utility Funding for Weatherization - Benefit	Local Businesses	Funding allocated to agencies by utilities to be used to provide weatherization services to low-income housing.	
5	Keep Kids Warm Program - Benefit	Regulated Utilities	Idaho Power, Intermountain Gas and the Salvation Army provide funding used to cover costs not allowable under LIHEAP.	

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# LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 15 - Training

Section 15: Training	
15.1 Describe the training you provide for each of the following groups:	
a. Grant recipient Staff:	
Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference	
How often?	
✓ Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe:	
Employees are provided with policy manual	
Other, describe:	
b. Local Agencies:	
Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe: Training is provided at least annually. Subgrantee staff may request or receive additional training as needed.	
✓ On-site training	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe:	
Employees are provided with policy manual	
Other, describe:	
c. Vendors	
Formal training conference	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe:	
<b>✓</b> Policies communicated through vendor agreements	



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#### **Section 16 - Performance Goals and Measures**

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

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

Idaho continues to collect data on the four required LIHEAP performance measures. The four required measures are as follows:

- -Energy Burden Targeting (all households)
- -Energy Burden Targeting (high burden households)
- -Restoration of Home Energy Service
- -Prevention of Loss of Home Energy Service

Idaho evaluates data collection related to federal reporting requirements quarterly to minimize inaccurate data. This is expected to continually improve the quality of data collected within the statewide database.

Idaho's LIHEAP Intake Manual is reviewed annually to include any policy and/or process improvements to support integrity of data collection. Collection of the four data points related to the Performance Data form were incorporated into this policy manual. This manual is used by LIHEAP intake staff and program managers.

Idaho hosts monthly meetings with our subgrantee's to discuss challenges with program delivery and to identify solutions. Changes to current process are then incorporated into the policy manual to ensure high-quality program implementation and accurate data collection.

Idaho's vendor agreement requires vendors to submit cost and consumption data reports annually. The data will be analyzed in preparation for reporting on the LIHEAP Performance Measures report.

Idaho will continue to review LIHEAP performance measure data to aid in interpreting the state's approach to enhancing LIHEAP program delivery.

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

Section 17: Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)						
17.1 Fraud Reporting Mechanisms	s					
a. Describe all mechanisms availab	ble to the public for reporting cases of	f suspected waste, fraud, and abuse. S	elect all that apply.			
Online Fraud Reportin	ng					
Dedicated Fraud Repo	rting Hotline					
Report directly to local	l agency/district office or Grant recipi	ient office				
Report to State Inspect	tor General or Attorney General					
Forms and procedures	in place for local agencies/district off	ices and vendors to report fraud, was	te, and abuse			
Other - Describe:						
b. Describe strategies in place for a	advertising the above-referenced reso	ources. Select all that apply				
Printed outreach mater	rials					
Posted in local adminis	stering agencies offices.					
Addressed on LIHEAP	application					
Website						
Other - Describe:						
Idaho statewide 2-1-1	customer care-line					
17.2. Identification Documentation	n Requirements					
a. Indicate which of the following members.	forms of identification are required o	r requested to be collected from LIHI	EAP applicants or their household			
Type of Identification Collected		Collected from Whom?				
	Applicant Only	All Adults in Household	All Household Members			
Social Security Card is	Required	Required	Required			
photocopied and retained						
	Requested	Requested	Requested			
Social Security Number (Without	Required	Required	Required			
actual Card)						
	Requested	Requested	Requested			
Government-issued identification	Required	Required	Required			
card (i.e.: driver's license, state ID,						
Tribal ID, passport, etc.)	Requested	Requested	Requested			

17.3. Citizenship/Legal Residency Veri	17.3. Citizenship/Legal Residency Verification							
What are your procedures for ensuring benefits? Select all that apply.	g LIHEAP recipiei	nts are U.S. citize	ns or qualified n	on-citizens who are	eligible to receiv	e LIHEAP		
Clients sign an attestation of c	itizenship or U.S. (	Citizen or Qualific	ed Non-Citizen					
Client's submission of certain	Client's submission of certain Social Security Administration cards is accepted as proof of U.S. Citizen or Qualified Non-Citizen.							
Non-Citizens must provide do	Non-Citizens must provide documentation of immigration status							
Citizens must provide a copy of	of their birth certif	icate, naturalizati	on papers, or pas	sport				
Non-Citizens are verified thro	ugh the SAVE syst	em						
Tribal members are verified the	nrough Tribal enro	ollment records/T	ribal ID card					
Other - Describe:	Other - Describe:							
For SNAP and TANF eligi	ble households, stat	te eligibility system	n provides verifica	tion through SSA an	d SAVE interface	s.		
Exception - Applicants do temporarily in the United States for an SSN must be documented in the applicants who do not provide an number. If a household has only of LIHEAP program.	or work or educatior e "Case Notes" sect SSN during progran	nal purposes, provi ion of the intake do n intake. At least of	ding an SSN is not atabase. The datab one member of the	t required. The reason case does have the ab household is require	on that an applican oility to assign a unit of to give their Soo	at did not provide nique identifier to cial Security		
Other	Applicant Only	Applicant Only	All Adults in Household	All Adults in Household	All Household Members	All Household Members		
	Required	Requested	Required	Requested	Required	Requested		
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17.4. Income Verification	. to work househo	ld in some 2 Colore	all that annly					
What methods does your agency utilize	<u> </u>							
Require documentation of meon	me for all addit no	usenoid members						
Tu, stass								
	Social Security award letters							
Bank statements								
Tun sentements	Tax statements							
	Zero-income statements							
	✓ Unemployment Insurance letters							
Other - Describe.	✓ Other - Describe:							
Self-declaration of income								
Computer data matches:								
Income information mat	✓ Income information matched against state computer system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)							
✓ Proof of unemployment benefits verified with state Department of Labor								
Social Security income v	Social Security income verified with SSA							
Utilize state directory of	Utilize state directory of new hires							
Other - Describe:								
For SNAP and TANF eligi	For SNAP and TANF eligible households, state eligibility system provides verification through computer data matches.							
b. Describe any exceptions to the above	policies.							
N/A								
17.5 Identification Verification								
Describe what methods are used to ver apply	ify the authenticity	y of identification	documents provi	ded by clients or ho	usehold member	s. Select all that		
Verify SSNs with Social Securit	y Administration							
Match SSNs with death records from Social Security Administration or state agency								
Match SSNs with death records	from Social Secur	ity Administratio	n or state agencv					
Match SSNs with death records  Match SSNs with state eligibilit								

	Match with state and/or federal corrections system
	Match with state child support system
	Verification using private software (e.g., The Work Number)
	In-person certification by staff (for tribal Grant recipients only)
	Match SSN/Tribal ID number with tribal database or enrollment records (for tribal Grant recipients only)
>	Other - Describe:
	For SNAP and TANF eligible households, state eligibility system provides verification through computer data matches. For households that do not receive SNAP or TANF, we require the applicant provide their SSN.
	Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality
	ibe the financial and operating controls in place to protect client information against improper use or disclosure. Select all that apply.
>	Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent
>	Grant recipient LIHEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards
>	Employee training on confidentiality for:
	Grant recipient employees
	Local agencies/district offices
>	Employees must sign confidentiality agreement
	Grant recipient employees
	✓ Local agencies/district offices
>	Physical files are stored in a secure location
>	Electronic files are protected in a secure location.
>	Other - Describe:
	Electronic files are uploaded and stored in the statewide database which includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards.
_	Verifying the Authenticity
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Separation of duties between intake and payment approval
Payments coordinated among other energy assistance programs to avoid duplication of payments
Payments to utilities and invoices from utilities are reviewed for accuracy
Computer databases are periodically reviewed to verify accuracy and timeliness of payments made to utilities
Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only
Procedures are in place to require prompt refunds from utilities in cases of account closure
Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism
Other - Describe:
Verification of current utility bill must be obtained from the applicant or vendor. Vendor monitoring is conducted to ensure payment processing meets timelines, is accurate and that customers are not treated adversely.
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, wood, and other bulk fuel vendors? Select all that apply.
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 grant recipient.
✓ Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism
Other - Describe:
17.10. Investigations and Prosecutions
Describe the Grant recipients procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients, staff, or vendors found to have committed fraud. Select all that apply.
Refer to state Inspector General
Refer to local prosecutor or state Attorney General
Refer to US DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline)
Local agencies/district offices or Grant recipient conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public
Grant recipient attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process
Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? 12 months
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:
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in

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

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

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

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

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

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

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

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

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

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

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

450 W. State Street  * Address Line 1		
Address Line 2		
Address Line 3		
Boise * City	Idaho * State	83702 * Zip Code

Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Alternate II. (Grant recipients Who Are Individuals)

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

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#### Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

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

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

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

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

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

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Assurances

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

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

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

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

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

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

### (8) provide assurances that,

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

## (9) provide that--

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

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

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

## **Plan Attachments**

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