DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Program Name: Low Income Home Energy Assistance

Grantee Name: ORUTSARARMUIT NATIVE COUNCIL, INCORPORATED

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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.a. Type of Submission: Plan		* 1.b. Frequency: Annual	* 1.c. Consolidated Plan/Funding Requ		* 1.d. Version: Initial	
			Explanation:		Resubmission Revision Update	
			2. Date Received:		State Use Only:	
			3. Applicant Identif	ior•	Function of the state of the st	
			4a. Unique Entity Io		5. Date Received By State:	
			NSWTU39KVD75			
			4b. Federal Award 92-00741	ldentifier:	6. State Application Identifier:	
7. APPLICANT INFO	ORMATION					
* a. Legal Name: Or	utsararmiut Nat	ive Council				
* b. Address:			4			
* Street 1:	P.O. BOX 92	27	Street 2:	PO Box 927		
* City:	BETHEL		County:	Alaska		
* State:	AK		Province:	Bethel		
* Country:	United States		* Zip / Postal Code:	99559 -		
c. Organizational	Unit:		71-	1		
Department Name Education, Employm			Division Name: Heating Assstance			
		person to be contacted on matters in t of Health and Human Services' LII			be listed on Notice of Funding	
* First Name: Mary			* Last Name: Simon			
Title: 477 Director			Organizational Affiliation: Orutsararmiut Native Council			
* Telephone Number 9075432608	:		Fax Number 907-543-2639			
* Email: msimon@nativecour	icil.org					
* 8. TYPE OF APPL I: Indian/Native Amer		rernment (Federally Recognized)				
* 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 Domes Assistance Number:	stic	(CFDA Title:	
9. CFDA Numbers and	Titles	93.568	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program			
10. DESCRIPTIVE THeating Assistance	TITLE OF API	PLICANT'S PROJECT:				
11. AREAS AFFECT Bethel	TED BY FUND	ING:				
12. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF APPLICANT: 00						
13. FUNDING PERIOD:						
a. Start Date: 10/01/2024			b. End Date: 09/30/2025			
* 14. IS SUBMISSIO	N SUBJECT T	O REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EX	XECUTIVE ORDER	12372 PROCES	SS?	
a. This submission	a. This submission was made available to the State under Executive Order 12372					

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 17a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official 17c. Telephone (area code, number and extension) Mary Simon 17d. Email Address

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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	ogram Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)						
(No	Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. tte: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in s plan.)		Operation				
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Start Date	End Date				
\	Heating assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025				
	Cooling assistance						
	Summer crisis assistance						
	Winter crisis assistance						
>	Year-round crisis assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025				
>	Weatherization assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025				
Pro	ovide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary						
Esti	imated Funding Allocation, 2604(C), 2605(k)(1), 2605(b)(9), 2605(b)(16) - Assurances 9 and 16						
	Estimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: total of all percentages must add up to 100%.	Percentage (%)	Prior year totals				
Н	Heating assistance	70.00%	70.00%				
С	Cooling assistance	0.00%	0.00%				
S	Summer crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%				
V	Vinter crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%				
Y	Vear-round crisis assistance	5.00%	5.00%				
V	Weatherization assistance	15.00%	15.00%				
С	Carryover to the following federal fiscal year	10.00%	10.00%				
A	Administrative and planning costs	0.00%	0.00%				
S	Services to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)	0.00%	0.00%				
	Jsed to develop and implement leveraging activities	0.00%	ļ				
TOT	fAL .	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 planning and administration purposes up to 20% of the first \$20,000 (or \$4,000) plus 10% of the funds payable that exceeds \$20,000. Any administrative costs in excess of these limits must be paid from non-federal sources.

1.3 The funds reserved for winter crisis assistance that have not been expended by March 15 will be reprogrammed to:							
>		Heating assistance				Cooling assistance	
>		Weatherization assistance				Other (specify:)	
Cate	gorical Eligibility, 2605(b	o)(2)(A) - Assurance 2,	2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)	(8A) - Assurance 8			
1.4 D		ds categorically eligible			at least one	of the follow	ving categories of benefits
If yo	u answered "Yes" to ques	stion 1.4, you must con	nplete the table below	and answer questions	s 1.5 and 1.0	6.	
			Heating	Cooling	(Crisis	Weatherization
TANI	र		⊙ Yes O No	C Yes O No	⊙ Yes	C _{No}	⊙ Yes C No
SSI			⊙ Yes ○ No	O Yes O No	• Yes	C No	⊙Yes ○No
SNAI	•		• Yes O No	O Yes O No	• Yes	C No	⊙ Yes ○ No
Mean	s-tested Veterans Programs	:	O Yes O No	O Yes O No	C Yes	⊙ No	C Yes O No
1.4	la Provide your definiti	on of categorical eligib	ility.	•			•
	Households that are income eligible.	contain an elder 60 year	rs or older, disabled, or o	children 5 years and ur	nder, qualify	as long as al	ll members of the household
1.5 D	o you automatically enro	oll households without	a direct annual applica	ntion? C Yes O No			
_	s, explain:						
<u> </u>							
	determining eligibility a	and benefit amounts?	_	lly eligible household	ls from thos	se not receivi	ing other public assistance
	All determination	n are based on family si	ze and income.				
SNA	P Nominal Payments						
1.7a	Do you allocate LIHEAP	funds toward a nomin	al payment for SNAP	households? OYes	⊙ No		
If yo	u answered "Yes" to ques	stion 1.7a, you must pr	ovide a response to qu	estions 1.7b, 1.7c, and	d 1.7d.		
1.7b	Amount of Nominal Assis	stance: \$0.00					
1.7c	Frequency of Assistance						
	Once Per Year						
A	Once every five years						
	Other - Describe: 0						
1.7d	1.7d How do you confirm that the household receiving a nominal payment has an energy cost or need?						
Dete	rmination of Eligibility -	Countable Income					
1.8. 1	n determining a househol	ld's income eligibility f	for LIHEAP, do you us	se gross income or ne	t income?		
	Gross Income						
~	Net Income						
	Other - Describe						
1.9. 8	1.9. Select all the applicable forms of countable income used to determine a household's income eligibility for LIHEAP						
Wages							
>	Self - Employment Income						
~	Contract Income						
	Payments from mortgage or Sales Contracts						

>	Unemployment insurance					
	Strike Pay					
>	Social Security Administration (SSA) benefits					
	✓ Including MediCare deduction Excluding MediCare deduction					
>	Supplemental Security Income (SSI)					
>	Retirement / pension benefits					
	General Assistance benefits					
>	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits					
	Loans that need to be repaid					
>	Cash gifts					
	Savings account balance					
	One-time lump-sum payments, such as rebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.					
	Jury duty compensation					
>	Rental income					
	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)					
	Income from work study programs					
	Alimony					
>	Child support					
>	Interest, dividends, or royalties					
	Commissions					
	Legal settlements					
	Insurance payments made directly to the insured					
	Insurance payments made specifically for the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate					
	Veterans Administration (VA) benefits					
	Earned income of a child under the age of 18					
	Balance of retirement, pension, or annuity accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.					
	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					
	I would like to switch from gross to net income to accommodate our elders who are just a tad bit over the income guidelines. They get the least amount for fuel and electric and prices for everything in Bethel is outrageously expensive.					
	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 I	o you have an online application process C Yes . No					
1.10	Da If yes, describe the type of online application (Select all boxes that apply)					
	A PDF version of the application is available online and can be downloaded, filled out and mailed in for processing.					
	A state-wide online application that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.					
	One or more locally available online applications that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.					
	Online application that is also mobile friendly					
	Other, please describe					
Please	include a link(s) to a statewide application, if available:					
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 I	o you have a process for conducting and completing applications by phone 💽 Yes 🔘 No					
1.12 I	o 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.					
	Illiterate, elders, blind, disabled. Show them all the documents that are required to apply.					
1.13 H	1.13 How can applicants submit documentation for verification? Select all that apply:					
>	In-person					
V	Mail					
V	Email					
	Portal application					
	Other, please describe					

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Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE

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Section 2 - Heating Assistance Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2 2.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the heating component: Household size Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold Add All Household Sizes 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: Renters? Yes No If yes, describe: Renters must submit a Lease Agreement and proof they are paying for heating fuel. Or the programs must obtain a notice from the landlord that the tenants portion will be reduced for the cost of fuel. Renters Living in subsidized housing? Yes O No If yes, describe: We do not provide benefits to clients living in a subsidized housing. Renters with utilities included in the rent? O Yes O No If yes, describe: Do you give priority in eligibility to: Older Adults (60 years or older)? If ves, describe: Elders 60 years and older, disabled, and families with children 5 years of age and under will be given priority over other applicants. Individuals with a disability? O Yes O No If yes, describe: Applications with vulnerable populations will be reviewed and processed the same day. Young children? If yes, describe: Application with vulnerable populations will be reviewed and processed the same day. Households with high energy burdens? O Yes 🔞 No If yes, describe: Other? CYes 💿 No If yes, describe: Explanations of policies for each "yes" checked above: Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B) 2.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of heating assistance to vulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amounts, early application periods,

Elders 60 years of age and older, Applications are reviewed and processed		children 5 years of age and under will be give em.	en priority over other applicants.			
2.5 Check the variables you use to determine	your benefit levels. (Check	all that apply):				
✓ Income						
Family (household) size						
Home energy cost or need:						
✓ Fuel type						
Climate/region						
☑ Individual bill						
Dwelling type						
Energy burden (% of income spe	nt on home energy)					
✓ Energy need						
Other - Describe:						
Diesel 1 Prices of benefit amount increase during the coldest months of the winter.	Prices of benefit amount increased basesd on the high prices of heating fuel in Bethel. The regular benefit amount lasts about 6 weeks					
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)						
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the fiscal year for which this plan applies. Please note: the maximum and minimum benefits must be shown in the payment matrix.						
Minimum Benefit \$950 Maximum Benefit \$2,095						
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, space heaters) and/or other forms of benefits?2 C Yes O No						
If yes, describe.						
If any of the above questions re	-		could not be made in			

Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE

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Section 3 - Cooling Assistance

	Section 3 - Cooling Assistance				
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2				
3.1 Designate Th	e income eligibility threshold used for th	ne Cooling 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 ee?	C Yes	€ No		
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the	policies for	each.		
Do you require a	n Assets test?	C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:					
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:				
Renters?		C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:					
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing?	C Yes	€ No		
If yes, describe:					
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent?	C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:					
Do you give prior	rity in eligibility to:				
Older Adu	lts (60 years or older)?	C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:					
Individuals	s with a disability?	C Yes	O _{No}		
If yes, describe:		#			
Young chil	dren?	C Yes	⊙ _{No}		
If yes, describe:		4			
Households	s with high energy burdens?	C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:		1			
Other?		C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:		ď			
	policies for each "yes" checked above:				
3.4 Describe how etc.	you prioritize the provision of cooling a	assistance to	o vulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amou	nts, early application pe	eriods,
Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
3.5 Check the variables you use to determine your benefit levels. (Check all that apply):					
Income					
Family (household) size					
Home energy cost or need:					
Fuel type					
	nate/region				
Individual bill					
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Dwelling type						
Energy burden (% of income spe	ent on home energy)					
Energy need						
Other - Describe:						
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605	Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the fi shown in the payment matrix.	scal year for which this plan	applies. Please note: the maximum and minim	num benefits must l	be		
Minimum Benefit	Minimum Benefit \$0 Maximum Benefit \$0					
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air con	3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air conditioners) and/or other forms of benefits? O Yes No					
If yes, describe.						
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in						

Section 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE

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Section 4: CRISIS ASSISTANCE Eligibility - 2604(c), 2605(c)(1)(A) 4.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the crisis component Eligibility Guideline Household size Eligibility Threshold All Household Sizes HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00% 4.2 Provide your LIHEAP program's definition for determining a crisis. If you administer multiple crisis assistance programs (winter, summer, and/or year-round), Include all program definitions. Households with a shut off notice, have less than 5 gallons of heating fuel, a medical need, elders 60 years of age or older, disabled, and children 5 years of age or younger. Households in danger of running out of fuel 18 hours or less. 4.3 What constitutes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u> Life sustaining medical devices and extreme inclement weather -30 to -50F+. 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 Year-Round Summer Crisis Crisis Crisis 4.6 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for Crisis Assistance? V 4.7 Check the appropriate boxes below to indicate type(s) of assistance provided Do you require an Assets test? Do you give priority in eligibility to: Older Adults (60 years or older)? V V Individuals with a disability? Young Children? V Households with high energy burdens? Other (Specify): In Order to receive crisis assistance: Must the household have received a shut-off notice or have a near empty tank? V Must the household have been shut off or have an empty tank? V Must the household have exhausted their regular heating benefit? V Must renters with heating costs included in their rent have received an eviction notice? V Must heating/cooling be medically necessary? V Must the household have non-working heating or cooling equipment? ¥ Other (Specify):

Do you have addition: Renters?	Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for:							
				Y				
Renters living in	n subsidized housing?			<u> </u>				
Renters with ut	lities included in the rent?			>				
Explanations of polici	es for each "yes" checked above:							
Househo	olds with elderly, disabled, and young children will be given priority reviews and ass	istance.						
	olds with a shut off notice or empty tanks will be given Crisis assistance. If househol ptions will receive Crisis assistance.	ds exhausted the	eir regular heatir	ng benefit and				
	Notice: Renters will provide a copy of the eviction notice and must submit a Lease e program must obtain a notice from the landlord that the tenants portion will be red			are paying for				
We do r	ot provide benefits to clients living in subsidized housing.							
Househ	olds with a medical equipment dependant on heat and electricity to function will be g	iven Crisis assi	stance.					
Determination of Ben	efits							
4.8 How do you hand								
~	Separate component							
	Benefit Fast Track, no separate amount of crisis funds is issued. Rather benefi response time frames.	ts are issued to	crisis custome	s 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 Requirements,								
	plications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographically accessible	to all househol	ds in the area to	be served?				
• Yes O No E	xplain.							
All of o	ur clients reside in Bethel.							
4.11 Do you provide i	ndividuals who are individuals with a disability the means to:							
	s for crisis benefits without leaving their homes?							
⊙ Yes ○ No								
If No, explain.								
	t which applications for crisis assistance are accepted?							
€ Yes C No								
If No, explain.								
If you answered "No' disabled?	If you answered "No" to both options in question 4.11, please explain alternative means of intake to those who are homebound or physically disabled?							
Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)							
4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for each type of crisis assistance offered.								
Winter Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit								
Summer Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit								
Year-round Crisis \$1,763.00 maximum benefit 4.13 Do you provide in kind (e.g. blankets, space besters, fone) and/or other forms of benefits?								
4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space heaters, fans) and/or other forms of benefits? O Yes No If yes, Describe								
* Yes * No II yes, Describe								
4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or replacement using crisis funds?								
Yes No								
	" to question 4.14, you must complete question 4.15.							
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below to indicate type(s) of assistance provided.								

	Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-round Crisis		
Heating system repair					
Heating system replacement					
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 e	enforce a mor	atorium on sl	aut offs?		
C Yes • No					
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you mus 4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and an	-	-	ived by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.		
None.					
4.18 If you experience a natural disaster, do you intend to utilize LIHEAP crisis funds to address disaster related crisis situations? C Yes No					
If yes, describe					
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.					

Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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Section 5 - Weatherization Assistance

	Section 5: WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE						
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)((2) - Assurance 2						
5.1 Designate the income eligibility	y threshold used for the Weathe	erization component					
Add	Household Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold				
1 All Household Si	zes	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
5.2 Do you enter into an interagen No	cy agreement to have another g	overnment agency administer a WEATHI	ERIZATION component? O Yes •				
5.3 If yes, name the agency and at	tach a copy of the Internal Agre	eement or Contract.					
5.4 Is there a separate monitoring	protocol for weatherization?	Yes No					
WEATHERIZATION - Types of	Rules						
5.5 Under what rules do you admi	nister LIHEAP weatherization?	? (Check only one.)					
Entirely under LIHEAP (no	ot DOE) rules						
Entirely under DOE WAP (not LIHEAP) rules						
Mostly under LIHEAP rule	s with the following DOE WAP	rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules di	ffer (Check all that apply):				
Income Threshold							
Weatherization of enti eligible units or will become eligib		are is permitted if at least 66% of units (50	% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are				
Weatherize shelters te care facilities).	mporarily housing primarily lo	w income persons (excluding nursing hom	es, prisons, and similar institutional				
Other - Describe:							
Mostly under DOE WAP ru	lles, with the following LIHEAP	rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules di	iffer (Check all that apply.)				
Income Threshold							
Weatherization not su	bject to DOE WAP maximum s	statewide average cost per dwelling unit.					
Weatherization measu	ires are not subject to DOE Sav	ings to Investment Ration (SIR) standard	s.				
Other - Describe:							
Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance	5						
5.6 Do you require an assets test?							
5.7 Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for :							
Renters	Renters • Yes C No						
Renters living in subsidized O Yes O No							
Renters with utilities included in the rent?							
5.8 Do you give priority in eligibili	ity to:						
Older Adults?	• Yes O No						
Individuals with a disability	? O Yes O No						
Young Children?	Young Children?						
House holds with high energy Ves No							

burdens?					
Other?	C Yes ⊙ No				
If you selected "Yes" for any of the options in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field below. Renters must submit a Lease Agreement and proof they are paying for heating fuel. Or, the program must obtain a notice from the landlord that the tenants portion will be reduced for the cost of fuel. Elders 60 years of age and older, disabled, and families with children 5 years of age and under, will be given priority over other applicants. Their applications will be reviewed and processed on the same day.					
Benefit Levels					
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP wo	eatherization benefit/expenditu	re per household? C Yes O No			
5.9a If yes, what is the maximum? \$0					
5.10 Do you use an Average Cost per Uni	it (ACPU). O Yes O No				
5.10a If so, what is the ACPU amount?	? \$0				
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D	Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)				
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization meas	sures do you provide ? (Check a	ull categories that apply.)			
Weatherization needs assessments	s/audits	Energy related roof repair			
Caulking and insulation		Major appliance repairs			
Storm windows		Major appliance replacement			
Furnace/heating system modificat	tions/repairs	Windows/sliding glass doors			
Furnace replacement		☑ Doors			
Cooling system modifications/rep	airs	Water Heater			
Water conservation measures		Cooling system replacement			
Roof top solar		Community solar projects			
Compact florescent light bulbs		Other - Describe:			
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.					

V

Web Posting

Email

Events

Texting

Social Media

Other (specify):

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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 assistance available: Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc. Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements. Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance. Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients.

Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups.

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

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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) Intake referrals to/from other programs (indicate programs included) TANF, Welfare assistance recipients, SSI and SSA recipients, Public Assistance. One - stop intake centers Other - Describe:

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recipients and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico)							
8.1 How would you categorize the primary responsibility of your State agency?							
	Administration Agency						
	Commerce Agency						
	Community Services Agency						
	Energy/Environment Agency						
	Housing Agency						
	State Department of Welfare (administers	TANF, SNAP, and/or	Medicaid)				
	Economic Development Agency						
>	Other - Describe: Tribal Government						
	e current list of subrecipient name, main off mber. <i>Used for Near hotline and OCS Servic</i>			ber, county(s) served, Co	ngressional District, and		
If you	ate Outreach and Intake, 2605(b)(15) - Assu selected "State Department of Welfare (adm 8.4, as applicable.		, and/or Medicaid)'' in	question 8.1, you must co	mplete questions 8.2, 8.		
8.2 Ho	w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for heating assista	nce?				
8.3 Ho	w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for cooling assista	nce?>				
8.4 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for crisis assistance?							
8.5 LII	HEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization		
8.5a W	ho determines client eligibility?	Tribal Government	Non-Applicable	Tribal Government	Tribal Government		
	ho processes benefit payments to gas and evendors?	Tribal Government	Non-Applicable	Tribal Government			
8.5c who processes benefit payments to bulk fuel vendors? Non-Applicable Tribal Government Tribal Gov							
8.5d Who performs installation of weatherization measures? Tribal Government							

	ide a current list of subrecipient(s) name, main office address (do not list P.O. Box), phone ber, county(s) served, Congressional District, and UEI number.
	of your LIHEAP components are not centrally-administered by a state agency, you must complete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and, if able, 8.9.
8.6 WI	nat is your process for selecting local administering agencies?
	We do not use outside agencies. Our processing is done at our own facility.
3.7 Ho	w many local administering agencies do you use? 0
8.8 Ha ○ Ye • No	
3.9 If s	o, why?
	Agency was in noncompliance with Grant recipient requirements for LIHEAP -
	Agency is under criminal investigation
	Added agency
	Agency closed
	Other - describe
8.10 I	f a subrecipient is no longer providing LIHEAP, are you aware of prior-year LIHEAP funds being mismanaged or misspent? C Yes
8.10	a If yes, please explain.
	b If you are aware, were other federal programs impacted such as CSBG, SSBG, Head Start, TANF, and Department of Energy erization funding, etc. O Yes No
8.10	c If yes, please explain.
	y of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made e fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

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Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7
9.1 Do you make payments directly to home energy suppliers?
Heating Yes C No
Cooling C Yes O No
Crisis © Yes © No
Are there exceptions? O Yes O No
If yes, Describe.
Benefit amounts are paid directly to the vendors to make sure they are used properly.
9.2 How do you notify the client of the amount of assistance paid? Letters are sent to the clients informing them of the benefit amount, and the vendor of their choice it went to.
9.3 How do you assure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the actual cost of the home energy and the amount of the payment? ONC makes payments to all eligible clients, and a set amount paid to the vendors. We make records available for review, and provide receipts for ONC with all deliveries. Vendors fuel prices are slightly different due to the prices of delivering fuel to Bethel.
9.4 How do you assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP assistance? It is covered in our vendor agreement.
9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households? O Yes No
If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take. Attach a copy of the template statewide vendor agreement or a policy that indicates local agreements must adhere to statewide policies and assurances.

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Section 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit

Section 10: Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10)								
10.1. How do you ensure good fiscal accounting and tracking of funds?								
	Check requests are required by the Accounting Department with with backup documents. They keep track of the obligation and refunds of funds in the accounting software program in addition to paper documents kept in client files.							
	The components of the plan are kept on separate line items: Heating, Crisis, Weatherization. Funds are indicated on the check request made by our department staff.							
10.1a Provide	your definitions of	the following:						
Obligation								
Co	ommitments/Agreem	ents. Financial obligations are the comm	mittment of funds for specific use.					
Expenditures								
Pa	nyments. Expenditure	es are the payment of funds.						
Expenditure t	imeframe							
Fı	ands are only available	le for drawdown if they were obligated	within the time frame set by the LIHE	AP statute.				
Administrativ	ve costs							
	rganizational expense	re expenses by the recipient and its sub- es, such as salaries and expenses of exec	1 1	Č				
Audit Process								
10.2. Is your LII	HEAP program aud	ited annually under the Single Audit	Act and OMB Circular A - 133?					
10.2a - if yes,	describe your audite	or selection process.						
Tì	ne Tribal Council bid	s for the most qualified and select who	they think will do the job right.					
		the grant recipient (i.e. State/Tribe/I general reviews, or other government						
No Findings								
Finding	Туре	Brief Summary	Resolved?	Action Taken				
1								
10.4. Audits of I	ocal Administering	Agencies						
What types of a Select all that ap		ments do you have in place for local a	administering agencies/district offices	?				
Local	agencies/district offi	ices are required to have an annual a	udit in compliance with Single Audit	Act and OMB Circular A-133				
Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit (other than A-133)								
Local agencies/district offices' A-133 or other independent audits are reviewed by Grant recipient as part of compliance process.								
Grant	Grant recipient conducts fiscal and program monitoring of local agencies/district offices							
Local agencies and district offices are required to have an annual audit in compliance with Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133								

Compliance Monitoring
10.5. Describe your monitoring process for compliance at each level below. Check all that apply.
Grant recipients have a policy in place for appropriate separation of duties and internal controls.
✓ Internal program review
☑ Departmental oversight
Secondary review of invoices and payments
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
Local Administering Agencies/District Offices:
On - site evaluation
Annual program review
Monitoring through central database
Desk reviews
Client File Testing/Sampling
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
10.6 Explain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews. Attach a risk assessment if subrecipients are utilized.
Site Visits:
Desk Reviews:
10.8. How often is each local agency monitored? Please attach a monitoring schedule if one has been developed. Other
10.9. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans? 0
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Section 11 - Timely and Meaningful Public Participation

Section 11: Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, 2605(b)(12), 2605(C)(2)					
1.1 How did you obtain input from the public in the development of your LIHEAP plan? Select all that apply. **Jote: Tribes do not need to hold a public hearing but must ensure participation through other means.					
Tribal Council meeting(s)					
✓ Public Hearing(s)					
Draft Plan posted to website and available for comment					
✓ Hard copy of plan is available for public view and comment					
Comments from applicants are recorded					
Request for comments on draft Plan is advertised					
Stakeholder consultation meeting(s)					
Comments are solicited during outreach activities					
Other - Describe:					
Request for the Public Comments on the LIHEAP Plan was made but no one called in. Clients normally just apply for assistance without asking any questions.					
tublic Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Only					
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1.2 List the date and location(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the proposed use and distribution of your LIHEAP funds? Date Event Description 08/01/2024 Public Comments 1.3. How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)? 0 1.4 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s). No comments as stated above.					

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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?

None.

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

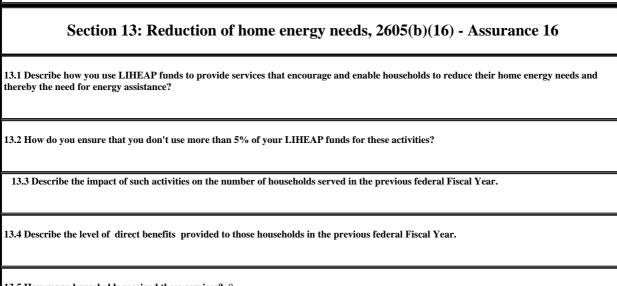
The Grievance Process is noted in the application. Applicants must submit in writing and mail or deliver letters to the Executive Director within thirty (30) days. If not resolved then, it is discussed in the monthly council meeting.

12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

A statement of fair hearing rights is added in the approval and denial letters sent to the clients.

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13.5 How many households received these services? 0

Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program ,2607A

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14.1 Do you plan to submit an application for the leveraging incentive program?

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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.

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

Resource	What is the type of resource or benefit ?	What is the source(s) of the resource ?	How will the resource be integrated and coordinated with LIHEAP?		
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Section 15 - Training

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

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

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

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Section 16 - Performance Goals and Measures

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

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

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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	suspected waste, fraud, and abuse. S	elect all that apply.					
Online Fraud Reportin	Online Fraud Reporting							
Dedicated Fraud Repor	Dedicated Fraud Reporting Hotline							
Report directly to local	Report directly to local agency/district office or Grant recipient office							
Report to State Inspect	tor General or Attorney General							
Forms and procedures	in place for local agencies/district offi	ices and vendors to report fraud, was	te, and abuse					
Other - Describe:	Other - Describe:							
Phone calls to our ON	NC office.							
b. Describe strategies in place for a	advertising the above-referenced reso	urces. Select all that apply						
Printed outreach mater	rials							
Posted in local adminis	stering agencies offices.							
Addressed on LIHEAP	application							
Website								
Other - Describe:								
Client award letters.								
17.2. Identification Documentation	n Requirements							
a. Indicate which of the following to members.	forms of identification are required or	r requested to be collected from LIHI	EAP applicants or their household					
		Collected from Whom?						
Type of Identification Collected	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,	<u> </u>	V						
ribal ID, passport, etc.) Requested Requested Requested								

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17.3. Citizenship/Legal Residency Verification									
What are your procedures for ensuring LIHEAP recipients are U.S. citizens or qualified non-citizens who are eligible to receive LIHEAP benefits? Select all that apply.									
Clients sign an attestation of citizenship or U.S. Citizen or Qualified Non-Citizen									
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 de	Non-Citizens must provide documentation of immigration status								
Citizens must provide a copy of their birth certificate, naturalization papers, or passport									
Non-Citizens are verified through the SAVE system									
Tribal members are verified through Tribal enrollment records/Tribal ID card									
Other - Describe:									
Other	Other Applicant Only Required Applicant Only Requested Required All Adults in Household Required Requested Requested Requested All Adults in Household Required Requested Requested Requested Requested Requested Requested								
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17.4. Income Verification									
What methods does your agency utiliz	ze to verify househo	old income? Select	all that apply.						
Require documentation of inco	ome for all adult ho	usehold members							
Pay stubs									
Social Security award le	etters								
✓ Bank statements									
✓ Tax statements									
Zero-income statements	s								
✓ Unemployment Insurar	nce letters								
Other - Describe:									
Computer data matches:									
Income information ma	tched against state	computer system	(e.g., SNAP, TAN	(F)					
Proof of unemployment	t benefits verified w	ith state Departm	ent of Labor						
Social Security income	verified with SSA								
Utilize state directory o	f new hires								
Other - Describe:									
None.									
b. Describe any exceptions to the abov	e policies.								
17.5 Identification Verification									
Describe what methods are used to ve apply	rify the authenticit	y of identification	documents provid	led by clients or ho	usehold members	. Select all that			
Verify SSNs with Social Securi	ity Administration								
Match SSNs with death record	ls from Social Secu	rity Administratio	on or state agency						
Match SSNs with state eligibili	ity/case managemer	nt system (e.g., SN	(AP, TANF)						
Match with state Department	of Labor system								
Match with state and/or federa	al corrections system	n							
Match with state child support	t system								
Verification using private soft	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:
17.6. Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality
Describe the financial and operating controls in place to protect client information against improper use or disclosure. Select all that apply.
Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent
Grant recipient LIHEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards
Employee training on confidentiality for:
✓ Grant recipient employees
Local agencies/district offices
Employees must sign confidentiality agreement
Grant recipient employees
Local agencies/district offices
Physical files are stored in a secure location
Electronic files are protected in a secure location.
Other - Describe:
17.7. Verifying the Authenticity
What policies are in place for verifying vendor authenticity? Select all that apply.
All vendors must register with the State/Tribe.
All vendors must supply a valid SSN or TIN/W-9 form
✓ Vendors are verified through energy bills provided by the household
Grant recipient and/or local agencies/district offices perform physical monitoring of vendors
Other - Describe and note any exceptions to policies above:
Existing businesses we know that operate in Bethel.
17.8. Benefits Policy - Gas and Electric Utilities
What policies are in place to protect against fraud when making benefit payments to gas and electric utilities on behalf of clients? Select all that
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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			
Cerified letters are mailed to the vendors for recoupment, and if that does work we will persue legal action.			
Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned?			
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 the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.			

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

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

Instructions for Certification

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

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

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

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

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

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

Instructions for Certification

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

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

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

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

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

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

Section 19: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

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

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

- 1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the 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.)

117 Alex Hately * Address Line 1				
117 Alex Hately Address Line 2				
Address Line 3				
Bethel * City	Alaska * State	99559 * 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.

[55 FR 21690, 21702, May 25, 1990]

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

Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

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

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

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

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

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

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

Assurances

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

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

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

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

PLAN ATTACHMENTS				
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.				