DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Program Name: Low Income Home Energy Assistance **Grantee Name:** GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

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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

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* 1.a. Type of Submission: Plan		* 1.b. Frequency: Annual	* 1.c. Consolidate Plan/Funding Re	ed Application/ equest?	* 1.d. Version: Initial Resubmission
			Explanation:		Revision Update
			2. Date Received:	:	State Use Only:
			3. Applicant Iden	ntifier:	
			4a. Unique Entity VEB2J5QVVNNS	y Identifier (UEI)	5. Date Received By State:
			4b. Federal Awai	rd Identifier:	6. State Application Identifier:
7. APPLICANT INFO	ORMATION				
* a. Legal Name: Gil	a River Indian	Community			
* b. Address:					
* Street 1:	P.O. 97		Street 2:	151 S. Blueb	ird St. #5
* City:	SACATON		County:		
* State:	AZ		Province:		
* Country:	United States		* Zip / Postal Code:	85147 -	
c. Organizational l	U nit:		1	4	
Department Name Community Services			Division Name: Community Services Department		
		person to be contacted on matters in t of Health and Human Services' LIF			be listed on Notice of Funding
* First Name: Kathryn			* Last Name: Green		
Title: Special Assistant			Organizational Affiliation: Community Services Department		
* Telephone Number 520-562-9691	:		Fax Number 520-562-9695		
* Email: Joanne.Brewer.CSD@	@gric.nsn.us				
* 8. TYPE OF APPL I: Indian/Native Ameri		ernment (Federally Recognized)			
* a. Is the applican	t a Tribal Con	sortium: O Yes O No			
* b. If yes please at	tach at least or	ne the following documentation:			
		Catalog of Federal Domes Assistance Number:	stic	(CFDA Title:
9. CFDA Numbers and	Titles	93.568	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program		
	_	PLICANT'S PROJECT: ce Program (LIHEAP)			
11. AREAS AFFECT Gila River Indian Co					
12. CONGRESSIONA 9	AL DISTRICT	S OF APPLICANT:			
13. FUNDING PERIO	OD:				
a. Start Date: 10/01/2024			b. End Date: 09/30/2025		
* 14. IS SUBMISSIO	N SUBJECT T	O REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EX	ECUTIVE ORDE	ER 12372 PROCES	SS?
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 specific instructions. 17a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official 17c. Telephone (area code, number and extension) Laurie Thomas 17d. Email Address Laurie.Thomas@gric.nsn.us 17b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official 17e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) 10/16/2024 sign

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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN

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 Componer	nts			
Pro	gram Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)				
(No	1.1 Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. Note: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in this plan.)				
		Start Date	End Date		
>	Heating assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025		
>	Cooling assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025		
	Summer crisis assistance				
	Winter crisis assistance				
>	Year-round crisis assistance	10/01/2024	09/30/2025		
	Weatherization assistance				
Pro	vide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary	•	E		
Esti	mated 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	eating assistance	10.00%	10.00%		
C	ooling assistance	45.00%	45.00%		
S	ummer crisis assistance	0.00%	35.00%		
V	/inter crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%		
Y	ear-round crisis assistance	35.00%	35.00%		
V	Veatherization assistance	0.00%	0.00%		
C	arryover to the following federal fiscal year	0.00%	0.00%		
A	dministrative and planning costs	10.00%	10.00%		
S	ervices to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)	0.00%	0.00%		
_	sed to develop and implement leveraging activities	0.00%	0.00%		
TOT	'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 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.

The runds re-	served for winter crisis assistan	•	1 1	1	to:	
	Heating assistance	~		Cooling assistance		
	Weatherization assist	ance		Other (specify:) Crisis A Cost associated with Ener	Applications, Travel & Supply gy Savings Education	
Categorical Eligi	bility, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assuran	ce 2, 2605(c)(1)(A), 26	05(b)(8A) - Assurance	8		
	ler households categorically el n below? O Yes O No	igible if at least one ho	usehold member rece	ives at least one of the foll	lowing categories of benefits	
If you answered	"Yes" to question 1.4, you mus	st complete the table b	elow and answer ques	tions 1.5 and 1.6.		
		Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization	
ΓANF		C Yes C No		O Yes O No	O Yes O No	
SSI		O Yes O No	Oyes One	O Yes O No	O Yes O No	
SNAP		C Yes C No	O Yes O No	O Yes O No	C Yes C No	
Means-tested Veter	rans Programs	O Yes O No	C Yes C No	O Yes O No	C Yes C No	
1.4a Provide	your definition of categorical	eligibility.				
1.5 Do you auton	natically enroll households with	hout a direct annual a	oplication? C Yes C	No		
If Yes, explain:						
	ensure there is no difference in		orically eligible house	cholds from those not rece	eiving other public assistance	
when determinin	g eligibility and benefit amour	us:				
SNAP Nominal I	Payments					
1.7a Do you alloc	ate LIHEAP funds toward a n	ominal payment for S	NAP households? 🔘	Yes 💽 No		
f you answered	"Yes" to question 1.7a, you mi	ust provide a response	to questions 1.7b, 1.7c	e, and 1.7d.		
1.7b Amount of I	Nominal Assistance: \$0.00					
1.7c Frequency o	f Assistance					
Once Per Y	Cear					
Once every	five years					
Other - De	scribe:					
1.7d How do you	confirm that the household re	ceiving a nominal pay	ment has an energy co	ost or need?		
Determination of	f Eligibility - Countable Incom	e				
1.8. In determini	ng a household's income eligib	ility for LIHEAP, do y	ou use gross income o	or net income?		
Gross Inco	me					
Net Incom	e					
Other - Describe						
1.9. Select all the applicable forms of countable income used to determine a household's income eligibility for LIHEAP						
Wages						
Self - Emp	loyment Income					
Contract I	ncome					
Payments	from mortgage or Sales Contra	acts				
✓ Unemployment insurance						

Y	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.)

H	
~	Other
	Per Capita Income
	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 C Yes O No
	0a 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
Pleas	e include a link(s) to a statewide application, if available:
1.10b	Can all program components be applied for online? C Yes O No
If no,	explain which components can and cannot be applied for online.
	The Client Tracking Application is housed and maintained on a local intranet server for security purposes according to the Tribal MIS Department protocol. However, for individuals that are homebound or unable to physicall come into the center. The District intake personnel will do a home vist and perform a manual intake.
1.11	Do you have a process for conducting and completing applications by phone C Yes
	Do you or any of your subrecipients require in person appointments in order to apply • Yes • No
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III yes	, please provide more information regarding why in-person appointments are required and in what circumstances they are required.
	Our application platform is located on our local servers and are governed by Tribal Managment Information Systems Department; therefore applications intakes are performed in person at the local District Service Centers. However, for those applicants who are unable to physically visit the site, arrangements or appointments for a home visit to perform the manual intake process.
1.13	How can applicants submit documentation for verification? Select all that apply:
>	In-person
	Mail
	Email
	Portal application
	Other, please describe

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Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE

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Section 2 - Heating Assistance Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2 2.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the heating component: Household size Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold All Household Sizes State Median Income 60.00% 2.2 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for O Yes O No 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? CYes 💿 No If yes, describe: O Yes 💿 No Renters Living in subsidized housing? If yes, describe: Renters with utilities included in the rent? CYes ONo If yes, describe: Do you give priority in eligibility to: Older Adults (60 years or older)? If yes, describe: Individuals with a disability? **⊙** Yes **○** No If yes, describe: Young children? If yes, describe: Households with high energy burdens? C Yes 💿 No If yes, describe: Other? C Yes O No If yes, describe: Explanations of policies for each "yes" checked above: Application submission process identify the vulnerable population as priority as follows: 1. Elderly/Disabled; 2. Families with young children; 3. All other populations catgories 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, Applicants who are fall in the vulnerable category are processed the first two weeks the program opens in accepting applications. 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	ent on home energy)				
☑ Energy need					
Other - Describe:					
				<u>'</u>	
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2608 2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the f shown in the payment matrix.		applies. Please note: the maximum and mini	mum benefits must	be	
Minimum Benefit	\$250	Maximum Benefit	\$350		
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, sp.	ace heaters) and/or other form	ns of benefits?2 © Yes o No			
If yes, describe.					
If any of the above questions re					

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	e Cooling o	component:		
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold	
1	All Household Sizes		State Median Income	60.00%	
3.2 Do you have a Cooling assistance	additional eligibility requirements for ce?	C Yes	€ No		
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the p	policies for	each.		
Do you require a	n Assets test?	O Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:		-			
Do you have add	litional/differing eligibility policies for:				
Renters?		C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:					
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing?	O Yes	⊙ _{No}		
If yes, describe:					
	th utilities included in the rent?	O Yes	⊙ _{No}		
If yes, describe:					
_ ,	rity in eligibility to:				
	lts (60 years or older)?	• Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:		105			
	der Adults are considered one of the vulner	rable catego	ories.		
Individuals	s with a disability?		O _{No}		
If yes, describe:	pplicants who are verified by other agencies	s, or medica	al providers are considered one of the vulnerable of	categories.	
Young chil	dren?	Yes	C _{No}		
If yes, describe:	plicants whose household have children ur	ider the age	e of five are consider in the vunerable status.		
Households	s with high energy burdens?	C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:					
Other?		C Yes	⊙ No		
If yes, describe:		-			
Explanations of J	policies for each "yes" checked above:				
	oplication submission begins the first week hereafter the program is open for all popula		for the Elderly/Disabled. Second week of July op	ens for families with young	
3.4 Describe how etc.	you prioritize the provision of cooling a	ssistance to	o vulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amoun	its, early application periods,	
			re allowed to submit applications starting with Eld all other populations are able to submit for assista		

Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assur	rance 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				
Climate/region				
☑ Individual bill				
Dwelling type				
Energy burden (% of income sp	ent on home energy)			
Energy need				
Other - Describe:				
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 260	5(c)(1)(B)		_	
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the shown in the payment matrix.	iscal year for which this plan	n applies. Please note: the maximum and m	inimum benefits must l	be
Minimum Benefit \$250 Maximum Benefit \$350				
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air conditioners) and/or other forms of benefits? C Yes No				
If yes, describe.				
If any of the above questions r the fields provided, attach a do			could not be ma	ide in

Section 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE

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Section 4 - Crisis Assistance

	Section 4: CR	RISIS ASSISTANCE				
Eligibility - 2604	4(c), 2605(c)(1)(A)					
4.1 Designate the	e income eligibility threshold used for the crisis con	nponent				
Add	Household size	Eligibility Guideline		Eligibility	Threshold	
1	All Household Sizes	State Median Income			60.00%	
	r LIHEAP program's definition for determining a c					
Н	er multiple crisis assistance programs (winter, summouseholds that have been or are pending disconnection who are five years old and younger	•			abled, and	
4.3 What constit	tutes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u>					
contribute	Il households that have been pending disconnection wies to a household member's life, health, and safety. More exceed 100 degrees for three (3) consective days.					
Crisis Requirem	nent, 2604(c)					
4.4 Within how	many hours do you provide an intervention that wi	ll resolve the energy crisis for elig	gible househo	lds? 48Hours		
4.5 Within how is situations? 18H	many hours do you provide an intervention that wi	ll resolve the energy crisis for elig	gible househo	lds in life-threat	ening	
Crisis Eligibility	, 2605(c)(1)(A)		q.		- IV	
			Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-Round Crisis	
4.6 Do you have	additional eligibility requirements for Crisis Assist	tance?				
4.7 Check the ap	opropriate boxes below to indicate type(s) of assista	nce provided				
Do you require a	an Assets test?					
Do you give prio	ority in eligibility to:					
Older Adu	ılts (60 years or older)?				~	
Individual	s with a disability?				~	
Young Chi	ildren?				~	
Household	ls with high energy burdens?					
Other (Spe	Other (Specify):					
In Order to rece	ive crisis assistance:		41	*	T.	
Must the h	nousehold have received a shut-off notice or have a	near empty tank?			~	
Must the h	nousehold have been shut off or have an empty tank	ς?			~	
Must the h	nousehold have exhausted their regular heating ben	nefit?			~	
Must rente	ers with heating costs included in their rent have re	eceived an eviction notice?				
Must heati	ing/cooling be medically necessary?				~	
Must the household have non-working heating or cooling equipment?						

Other (Specify		1 r				
		L				
Do you have addition Renters?	al/differing eligibility policies for:	1 1				
		L				
	n subsidized housing?	L	7			
Renters with u	tilities included in the rent?					
Explanations of police	ies for each "yes" checked above:					
Elderly of March. Pro	and Disabled are given first priority, next are families with young ch pane requests - Must be verified by District personnel the propane tar	nildren. Propane/N nk is 10% or below	atural Gas v	will be assisted	1 until the month	
Determination of Be	nefits		_	_		
4.8 How do you hand						
✓	Separate component					
	Benefit Fast Track, no separate amount of crisis funds is issued. response time frames.	. Rather benefits a	are issued t	o crisis custo	mers within crisis	
	Other - Describe:					
	The Benefit Matrix Chart is used in assuring that all highest benefit. In the event the Matrix Chart is not sufficiencrisis up to \$1,200 or the disconnect and reconnect is lower	ent, the applicant ma				
4.9 If you have a sep	arate component, how do you determine crisis assistance benefits	?				
~	Amount to resolve the crisis. \$1,200					
V	Other - Describe: The Benefit Matrix Chart is used in assuring that all highest benefit. In the event the Matrix Chart is not sufficie crisis up to \$1,200 or the disconnect and reconnect is lower	ent, the applicant ma				
Crisis Requirements						
	pplications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographic	cally accessible to	all househo	olds in the are	ea to be served?	
€ Yes C No 1	Explain.					
LIHEA	P applications are accepted at the District Service Centers (1-7) throu	ughout the Gila Riv	er Indian C	Community.		
4.11 Do you provide	individuals who are individuals with a disability the means to:					
	s for crisis benefits without leaving their homes?					
⊙ Yes O No						
If No, explain.						
	at which applications for crisis assistance are accepted?					
€ Yes C No						
If No, explain.						
If you answered "No disabled?	" to both options in question 4.11, please explain alternative mean	ns of intake to tho	se who are	homebound	or physically	
Benefit Levels, 2605	c)(1)(B)					
4.12 Indicate the ma	ximum benefit for each type of crisis assistance offered.					
Winter Crisis	Winter Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit					
Summer Crisis	\$0.00 maximum benefit					
Year-round Crisi						
	in-kind (e.g. blankets, space heaters, fans) and/or other forms of l	benefits?				
O Yes O No If	es, Describe					
	the climate changes during the summer months that are dangerously lAC unit or evaporative cooler if there are no other alternatives available.		for all popu	lation categori	ies the support of	
	for equipment repair or replacement using crisis funds?					
⊙ Yes ○ No						
If you answered "Ye	s" 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			V			
Cooling system replacement						
Wood stove purchase						
Pellet stove purchase						
Solar panel(s)						
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups			V			
Other (Specify): Portable fans, portable AC units during summer months.			>			
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with e	nforce a mo	ratorium on	shut offs?			
⊙ Yes C No						
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must 4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and an	•	-	7. ceived by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.			
When the temperatures reach over 100 degres during the summer months the utility vendor will issue a moritorm on electrical shut offs. The vendor works with each district service center with identifying customers that require assistance due to possible shut off who are in the vulnerable categories.						
4.18 If you experience a natural disaster, do you intend to utilize LIHEAP crisis funds to address disaster related crisis situations? © Yes No						
If yes, describe						
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.						

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Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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Section 5 - Weatherization Assistance

	Section 5: WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE					
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605	5(b)(2) - Assurance 2					
5.1 Designate the income eligi		Weatherization con	nponent			
Add	Household Size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold		
1				0.00%		
5.2 Do you enter into an intera No	agency agreement to have ar	nother government :	agency administer a WEATH	ERIZATION component? O Yes •		
5.3 If yes, name the agency an						
5.4 Is there a separate monitor	ring protocol for weatheriza	ntion? O Yes O N	o			
WEATHERIZATION - Types	s of Rules					
5.5 Under what rules do you a		rization? (Check onl	v one.)			
Entirely under LIHEAF		•				
Entirely under DOE WA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
		F WAD rule(s) when	e LIHEAP and WAP rules di	offer (Chack all that apply).		
Income Threshold		E WAI Tuic(o) when	C LIHEAT and WAIT Tures on	Her (Check an mat apply).		
Weatherization of eligible units or will become el		g structure is permit	ted if at least 66% of units (50	0% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are		
Weatherize shelte care facilities).	rs temporarily housing prim	narily low income po	ersons (excluding nursing hom	nes, prisons, and similar institutional		
Other - Describe:						
Mostly under DOE WA	P rules, with the following L	LIHEAP rule(s) whe	re LIHEAP and WAP rules d	iffer (Check all that apply.)		
Income Threshold	I					
Weatherization no	ot subject to DOE WAP max	ximum statewide av	erage cost per dwelling unit.			
Weatherization m	easures are not subject to D	OE Savings to Inves	stment Ration (SIR) standard	ls.		
Other - Describe:						
Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assura						
5.6 Do you require an assets to	est? C Yes O N	То				
5.7 Do you have additional/dif	0 0 1 1					
Renters	O Yes O N					
Renters living in subsidi housing?	ized C Yes C N	1o				
Renters with utilities incrent?	cluded in the Yes ON	No				
5.8 Do you give priority in elig	gibility to:					
Older Adults?	O Yes ON	Vo				
Individuals with a disab	ility? O Yes O N	No				
Young Children?	O Yes ON	Ю				
House holds with high e	nergy O ves O N	Jo				

burdens?		
Other?	C Yes C No	
If you selected "Yes" for any of the options below.	s in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, y	ou must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field
Benefit Levels		
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP wear	therization benefit/expenditur	re per household? C Yes • 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 measur	res do you provide ? (Check a	ll categories that apply.)
Weatherization needs assessments/a	nudits	Energy related roof repair
Caulking and insulation		Major appliance repairs
Storm windows		Major appliance replacement
Furnace/heating system modificatio	ns/repairs	Windows/sliding glass doors
Furnace replacement		Doors
Cooling system modifications/repair	rs	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 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 assistance Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc. Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements. Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance. Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients. Inform low income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance at application intake for other lowincome programs. Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups. Web Posting Email Texting Events ~ Social Media Other (specify):

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

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

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

	recipients a	, , , , , ,	onwealth of Pu	` •	state Grant
8.1 Ho	w would you categorize the primary respons	sibility of your State ag	ency?		
	Administration Agency				
	Commerce Agency				
>	Community Services Agency				
	Energy/Environment Agency				
	Housing Agency				
	State Department of Welfare (administers	TANF, SNAP, and/or I	Medicaid)		
	Economic Development Agency				
>	Other - Describe: Tribal Government				
	e current list of subrecipient name, main off umber. Used for Near hotline and OCS Servic			er, county(s) served, Co	ongressional 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 q	uestion 8.1, you must co	omplete 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 Ho	w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for crisis assistanc	e?		
8.5 LI	HEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization
8.5a W	ho determines client eligibility?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Non-Applicable
	/ho processes benefit payments to gas and c vendors?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	
8.5c w	ho processes benefit payments to bulk fuel rs?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	
8.5d W measu	/ho performs installation of weatherization res?				Non-Applicable

Include a current list of subrecipient(s) name, main office address (do not list P.O. Box), phonumber, county(s) served, Congressional District, and UEI number.	ne
If any of your LIHEAP components are not centrally-administered by a state agency, you must complete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and, if applicable, 8.9.	
8.6 What is your process for selecting local administering agencies?	
Gila River Indian Community District Service Centers One - Seven Communities.	
8.7 How many local administering agencies do you use? 7	
8.8 Have you changed any local administering agencies in the last year? Yes No	
8.9 If so, why?	
Agency was in noncompliance with Grant recipient requirements for LIHEAP -	
Agency is under criminal investigation	
Added agency	
Agency closed	
Other - describe	
8.10 If a subrecipient is no longer providing LIHEAP, are you aware of prior-year LIHEAP funds being mismanaged or misspent? O No	l'es
8.10a If yes, please explain.	
8.10b If you are aware, were other federal programs impacted such as CSBG, SSBG, Head Start, TANF, and Department of Energy Weatherization funding, etc. O Yes No	
8.10c If yes, please explain.	
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be ma	ade

in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

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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 payments directly to home energy suppliers? Yes O No Heating Tes O No Cooling Crisis Are there exceptions? Yes No If ves, Describe. 9.2 How do you notify the client of the amount of assistance paid? Award Letters are generated with approved benefit amount paid to the utility vendor that are mailed to the LIHEAP recipent 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? The Gila River Indian Community Community Services Department requires receipts when staff delivers checks and checks mailed the original reciepts will mailed to the CSD office. 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? The vendor contract which states: "Assure that the home energy supplier will provide assurance that any agreement entered into with a home energy supplier under this paragraph will contain provision to assure that no household recieving assistance under this will be treated adversely because if such assistance under applicable provision of state law or public regulatory requirement". 9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households? C Yes O No If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take. Attach a copy of the template statewide vendor agreement or a policy that indicates local agreements must adhere to statewide policies and

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Section 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit

Section 10: Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10)
10.1. How do you ensure good fiscal accounting and tracking of funds?
The LIHEAP program is operated according to the Tribal Fiscal Year, starting October 1 through September 30, ensuring funds are obligated and expended within this time frame. In addition, LIHEAP applications are processed by using our Client Tracking software program. Client information documents are kept in our repository to maintain the requirement eligibility documents. Utility payments are processed through the Tribal Finance Accounts Payable Department, which the Financial Program Accountant also monitors for the validity of grant fund expenses, monitored by the Tribal Contacts & Grant department for compliance and inter-department reconciliation practices.
10.1a Provide your definitions of the following:
Obligation
financial commitments of fund towards a specific use.
Expenditures
The actual payment expenses for the obligations.
Expenditure timeframe
Expenditure timeframes are set by policy and adhered to the LIHEAP assurances in ensuring payments are process and made in accordance to the type of benefit awarded.
Administrative costs
Administrative costs are cost related to the processing of aplications, determining eligibility, monitoring the assistance provided.
Audit Process
10.2. Is your LIHEAP program audited annually under the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A - 133? Yes O No
10.2a - if yes, describe your auditor selection process.
Internal programs and fiscal reviews performed through client file sampling, and monitoring the central data base.
10.3. Describe any audit findings of the grant recipient (i.e. State/Tribe/Territory) rising to the level of material weakness or reportable condition cited in the single audits, inspector general reviews, or other government agency reviews from the most recently audited fiscal year.
No Findings 🗹
Finding Type Brief Summary Resolved? Action Taken
1
10.4. Audits of Local Administering Agencies
What types of annual audit requirements do you have in place for local administering agencies/district offices? Select all that apply.
Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit in compliance with Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133
Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit (other than A-133)
Local agencies/district offices' A-133 or other independent audits are reviewed by Grant recipient as part of compliance process.
Grant recipient conducts fiscal and program monitoring of local agencies/district offices

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.
The Gila River Indian Community will be monitoring compliance through internal process, and the single audit acti performed annually. In addition, Community Services Department meets quarterly with Financial Program Accountant to review ependitures and compliance also meets quarterly with Tribal Contracts & Grants deparmtent to monitor grant compliance.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews. Attach a risk assessment if subrecipients are utilized.
Site Visits:
All LIHEAP files are processed and signed by applicant electronically and can be accessed and reviewed at any time.
Desk Reviews:
All files are processed and signed electronically and can be accessed at anytime for review.
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)
11.1 How did you obtain input from the public in the development of your LIHEAP plan? Select all that apply. Note: 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:
Public Annoucements are made during District 1 -7 local Community meetings and at Senior Organization meetings.
Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Only
11.2 List the date and location(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the proposed use and distribution of your LIHEAP funds?
Date Event Description
1
11.3. How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)?
11.4 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s).
11.5 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of public participation and solicitation of input?
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LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 12 - Fair Hearings

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

- 12.1 How many fair hearings did the Grant recipient have in the prior federal Fiscal Year? $\,0\,$
- 12.2 How many of those fair hearings resulted in the initial decision being reversed? $\,0\,$
- 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.

Applicants will be provided an opportunity to appeal a deniel of assistance. The applicant shall file an appeal on a form provided by Community Services Department with the CSD Director. The CSD Director will inform the applicant in writing of the Director's decision. Such decision will be final

12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

At the time the denial letter is sent to the applicant and appeal form is included with instruction on low to appeal a decision

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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?

Informational booths to outreach to the District Communities on energy conservation and Program availability and resource.

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

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

Increase public awareness of the Program and energy conservation tips.

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

N/A

13.5 How many households received these services? $\,\mathrm{N/A}$

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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.

The Client Tracking system keeps all data records used for leveraging information. These records are maintained at the Community Services Administration Office.

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	Salaries & Fringe Benefits	Tribal Funding	Cost associated with administering the LIHEAP Program
2	Tribal Supplement for LIHEAP	Tribal Funding	Additional funding for LIHEAP Program in accordance with the LIHEAP Model Plan.
3	Outreach and Information Events	Tribal Funding	Cost associated with conducting outreach to all service sites; including but not limited to informational materials and supplies
4	Training		Program Coordinators will participate in all trainings regarding LIHEAP program and funds to ensure Gila River is maximizing the use of funds to best benefit residents of the Community.

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:
Provide staff that work directly with LIHEAP on intake and approvals of updated information regarding the Model Plan and the spending plan for the new FY. Information is shared with staff of webinars of the program and participate in a methods to increase awareness to better help families.
c. Vendors
Formal training conference
How often?
Annually
Biannually
As needed
Other, describe:

>	Policies communicated through vendor agreements
	Policies are outlined in a vendor manual
	Other, describe:
15.2 Do • Yes	
If an	y 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 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	f suspected waste, fraud, and abuse. S	Select all that apply.
Online Fraud Reportin	ıg		
Dedicated Fraud Repor	rting Hotline		
Report directly to local	l agency/district office or Grant recip	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	ste, and abuse
Other - Describe:			
The Client Tracking S	System application does not allow the d	uplication of services for each Program	within the Fiscal Year.
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	Papplication		
Website			
Other - Describe:			
17.2. Identification Documentation	n Requirements		
a. Indicate which of the following f members.	forms of identification are required o	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 photocopied and retained	Required	Required	Required
	Requested	Requested	Requested
Social Security Number (Without actual Card)	Required	Required	Required
	Requested	Requested	Requested
Government-issued identification card (i.e.: driver's license, state ID,	Required	Required	Required
Tribal ID, passport, etc.)	Requested	Requested	Requested

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:
17.8. Benefits Policy - Gas and Electric Utilities
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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:			
Payments are made to the vendor on behalf of the applicant			
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?			
Contracts with local agencies require that employees found to have committed fraud are reprimanded and/or terminated			
V endors 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.			

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.)

151 Bluebird St #5 * Address Line 1				
Address Line 2				
Address Line 3				
Sacaton * City	Arizona * State	85147 * 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.			