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Nick St. Angelo, Director
Division of Energy Assistance
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370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W.
Washington, DC 20477

Dear Mr. St. Angelo:

Enclosed is Colorado's revised LIHEAP Leveraging Report for your review and approval. Per conversations with Lauren Christopher, Colorado appreciates the opportunity to revise our report to include another resource (resource # 4 in the attached revised report). Colorado is able to use this resource after it has determined that the resource was not needed to count as an expenditure for the State's TANF MOE requirement. The resource is consistent with our current State Plan. You may reach me at (303) 861-0325 or at todd.jorgensen@state.co.us, if you have any questions. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Todd Jorgensen', written over a white background.

Todd Jorgensen
Director
Low Income Energy Assistance Program

CC: Lauren Christopher

Enclosure

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
LIHEAP LEVERAGING REPORT
RESOURCE/BENEFIT DESCRIPTION PAGES

Complete this form for each separate leveraged resource/benefit that the grantee proposes to count for this base period. Only resources/benefits that are provided to low-income households (as defined in 45 CFR 96.87(b)(6)) may be counted.

Grantee: COLORADO

Base period: 10/1/09-09/30/10

Month/Day/Year - Month/Day/Year

1. Resource # 1

- A. Resource/benefit name: Governor's Energy Office/Energy Saving Partners
B. Gross value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period: \$2,564,044
C. Amount of grantee's own funds used to leverage this resource (not including funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment): N/A
D. Costs and charges to low income households to participate/receive these benefits: N/A
E. Net value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period (To calculate item E, subtract items C and D from item B): \$2,564,044

2. Type of resource: X Cash ___ Discount/waiver ___ In-kind contribution
If more than one type of resource is claimed: Gross value of countable benefits provided by each type of resource:

3. Source of resource: Xcel Energy of Colorado

4. Brief description of resource: Xcel funding supports the Colorado Weatherization Program in providing weatherization services to LIHEAP eligible households.

5. Brief description of benefit(s) provided to low income households by this resource (if benefits are different from resource as described in item 4, or if more information is needed): Weatherization services include cost-effective, energy efficient improvements and upgrades that reduce energy usage and improve the comfort of residential dwellings year round.

6. Geographical area in which benefits were provided: Weatherization services were provided to households in the following counties: Adams, Alamosa, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Chaffee, Clear Creek, Conejos, Costilla, Denver, Douglas, Eagle, Garfield, Gilpin, Grand, Jefferson, Lake Larimer, Logan, Mesa, Morgan, Pueblo, Rio Grande, Saguache, Summit and Weld.

7. Month(s) and year(s) when benefits were provided to recipients during this base period: 10/01/09-09/30/10

8. Number of low income households to whom benefits were provided in this base period: 4,056

9. Eligibility standard(s) for low income households to whom benefits were provided:

- ___Income at or below 150% of the poverty level
___Income at or below 60% of State median income
_X Other--Specify: Income at or below 185% of poverty level

10. Agency/agencies that administered resource/benefits: **Colorado Weatherization Program/Xcel Energy**
11. Source(s) of data used to determine value of resource/benefits, and to determine associated costs to grantee and to recipient low income households: **Colorado's Governor's Energy Office/Weatherization Assistance Program.**
12. Brief description of how resource/benefits' value was quantified and how gross value of countable benefits was calculated, and how any offsetting costs to recipient low income households were calculated; also, for discounts, reduced rate/price actually paid, and fair market value: **\$2,564,044/4,056 households = \$632.16**
13. Criterion/criteria in 45 CFR 96.87(d)(2) that resource/benefits meet (check one or two): (Criteria are summarized below. For full text, see regulations and instructions for form.)
- (i) The grantee's LIHEAP program had an active, substantive, significant role in developing and/or acquiring the resource/benefits from home energy vendor(s) through negotiation, regulation, and/or competitive bid.
- (ii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed through (within, as part of) the grantee's LIHEAP program to Low-income households eligible under the grantee's LIHEAP standards, in accordance with the LIHEAP statute and regulations and the grantee's LIHEAP plan.
- (iii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed to low income households as described in the grantee LIHEAP plan, as a supplement and/or alternative to the grantee's LIHEAP program, outside (not through, within, or as part of) the LIHEAP program. They met at least one of conditions A through H demonstrating that they were integrated and coordinated with the grantee's LIHEAP program.
14. If criterion (i) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of specific role of grantee's LIHEAP program in development and/or acquisition of resource/benefits, demonstrating that involvement of LIHEAP program was active, substantive, and significant.
- The administrator of the Colorado Weatherization Program was a party to the Public Utilities Commission Proceedings and participated in negotiation of the stipulated agreement creating the program. Through a partnership with Xcel Energy and the Weatherization Program the agencies jointly manage the operation.**
15. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13: Condition(s) under criterion (iii) that resource meets that demonstrate(s) resource's integration/coordination with grantee's LIHEAP program (check one or more):
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16. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of how resource/benefits were integrated and coordinated with grantee's LIHEAP program. **N/A**

**LIHEAP LEVERAGING REPORT
RESOURCE/BENEFIT DESCRIPTION PAGES**

Complete this form for each separate leveraged resource/benefit that the grantee proposes to count for this base period. Only resources/benefits that are provided to low income households (as defined in 45 CFR 96.87(b)(6)) may be counted.

Grantee: **COLORADO**

Base period: **10/1/09-09/30/10**

Month/Day/Year - Month/Day/Year

1. Resource # **2**

C. Resource/benefit name: **Care and Share, Inc./COPE**

D. Gross value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period: **\$964,116.74**

C. Amount of grantee's own funds used to leverage this resource (not including funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment): **N/A**

D. Costs and charges to low income households to participate/receive these benefits: **N/A**

E. Net value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period
(To calculate item E, subtract items C and D from item B): **\$964,116.74**

2. Type of resource: Cash Discount/waiver In-kind contribution

If more than one type of resource is claimed: Gross value of countable benefits provided by each type of resource:

3. Source of resource: **Colorado Springs Utilities**

4. Brief description of resource: **COPE provides assistance to LIHEAP eligible households that have received and exhausted their benefits but still need help in meeting home heating costs.**

5. Brief description of benefit(s) provided to low income households by this resource (if benefits are different from resource as described in item 4, or if more information is needed):

6. Geographical area in which benefits were provided: **Benefits were provided to clients residing in El Paso county.**

7. Month(s) and year(s) when benefits were provided to recipients during this base period: **10/01/09-09/30/10**

8. Number of low income households to whom benefits were provided in this base period: **4,200**

9. Eligibility standard(s) for low income households to whom benefits were provided:

Income at or below 150% of the poverty level

Income at or below 60% of State median income

Other--Specify: **Income at or below 185% of the poverty level**

- 10. Agency/agencies that administered resource/benefits: **Colorado Springs Utilities/Care and Share, Inc. COPE**
- 11. Source(s) of data used to determine value of resource/benefits, and to determine associated costs to grantee and to recipient low- income households: **Colorado Springs Utilities**
- 12. Brief description of how resource/benefits' value was quantified and how gross value of countable benefits was calculated, and how any offsetting costs to recipient low income households were calculated; also, for discounts, reduced rate/price actually paid, and fair market value: **\$964,116.74 /4,200 households = \$229.55**
- 13. Criterion/criteria in 45 CFR 96.87(d)(2) that resource/benefits meet (check one or two): (Criteria are summarized below. For full text, see regulations and instructions for form.)

- (i) The grantee's LIHEAP program had an active, substantive, significant role in developing and/or acquiring the resource/benefits from home energy vendor(s) through negotiation, regulation, and/or competitive bid.
- (ii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed through (within, as part of) the grantee's LIHEAP program to low income households eligible under the grantee's LIHEAP standards, in accordance with the LIHEAP statute and regulations and the grantee's LIHEAP plan.
- (iii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed to low income households as described in the grantee LIHEAP plan, as a supplement and/or alternative to the grantee's LIHEAP program, outside (not through, within, or as part of) the LIHEAP program. They met at least one of conditions A through H demonstrating that they were integrated and coordinated with the grantee's LIHEAP program.

14. If criterion (i) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of specific role of grantee's LIHEAP program in development and/or acquisition of resource/benefits, demonstrating that involvement of LIHEAP program was active, substantive, and significant.

State and local LIHEAP administrators meet with Colorado Springs Utilities staff on a regular basis to discuss program development, status and outreach efforts to assure that LIHEAP eligible clients have access to additional assistance.

15. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13: Condition(s) under criterion (iii) that resource meets that demonstrate(s) resource's integration/coordination with grantee's LIHEAP program (check one or more):

A B C D E F G H

16. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of how resource/benefits were integrated and coordinated with grantee's LIHEAP program. **N/A**

**LIHEAP LEVERAGING REPORT
RESOURCE/BENEFIT DESCRIPTION PAGES**

Complete this form for each separate leveraged resource/benefit that the grantee proposes to count for this base period. Only resources/benefits that are provided to low income households (as defined in 45 CFR 96.87(b)(6)) may be counted.

Grantee: **COLORADO**

Base period: **10/1/09-09/30/10**

Month/Day/Year - Month/Day/Year

1. Resource # **3**

E. Resource/benefit name: **Colorado Property Tax/Rent/Heat Credit**

F. Gross value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period: **\$1,905,000**

C. Amount of grantee's own funds used to leverage this resource (not including funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment): **N/A**

D. Costs and charges to low income households to participate/receive these benefits: **N/A**

E. Net value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period (To calculate item E, subtract items C and D from item B): **\$1,905,000**

2. Type of resource: Cash Discount/waiver In-kind contribution

If more than one type of resource is claimed: Gross value of countable benefits provided by each type of resource:

3. Source of resource: **Colorado Dept. of Revenue**

4. Brief description of resource: **Colorado Dept. of Revenue offers a heat rebate to Colorado residents 65 years of age or older, disabled, or a surviving spouse 58 years of age or older who have paid heating costs during the taxable year.**

5. Brief description of benefit(s) provided to low income households by this resource (if benefits are different from resource as described in item 4, or if more information is needed):

6. Geographical area in which benefits were provided: **Benefits were provided to residents in all geographical areas of the State.**

7. Month(s) and year(s) when benefits were provided to recipients during this base period: **10/01/09-09/30/10**

8. Number of low income households to whom benefits were provided in this base period: **24,037**

9. Eligibility standard(s) for low income households to whom benefits were provided:

Income at or below 150% of the poverty level

Income at or below 60% of State median income

Other--Specify: **Total annual income for a single person is less than \$ 12,000 and if married a combined income of less than \$15,700**

10. Agency/agencies that administered resource/benefits: **Colorado Department of Revenue**

11. Source(s) of data used to determine value of resource/benefits, and to determine associated costs to grantee and to recipient low- income households: **Colorado Department of Revenue**

12. Brief description of how resource/benefits' value was quantified and how gross value of countable benefits was calculated, and how any offsetting costs to recipient low income households were calculated; also, for discounts, reduced rate/price actually paid, and fair market value: **\$1,905,000/24,037 households = \$79.25**

13. Criterion/criteria in 45 CFR 96.87(d)(2) that resource/benefits meet (check one or two): (Criteria are summarized below. For full text, see regulations and instructions for form.)

___ (i) The grantee's LIHEAP program had an active, substantive, significant role in developing and/or acquiring the resource/benefits from home energy vendor(s) through negotiation, regulation, and/or competitive bid.

___ (ii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed through (within, as part of) the grantee's LIHEAP program to low income households eligible under the grantee's LIHEAP standards, in accordance with the LIHEAP statute and regulations and the grantee's LIHEAP plan.

X (iii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed to low income households as described in the grantee LIHEAP plan, as a supplement and/or alternative to the grantee's LIHEAP program, outside (not through, within, or as part of) the LIHEAP program. They met at least one of conditions A through H demonstrating that they were integrated and coordinated with the grantee's LIHEAP program.

16. If criterion (i) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of specific role of grantee's LIHEAP program in development and/or acquisition of resource/benefits, demonstrating that involvement of LIHEAP program was active, substantive, and significant. **N/A**

16. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13: Condition(s) under criterion (iii) that resource meets that demonstrate(s) resource's integration/coordination with grantee's LIHEAP program (check one or more):

___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ H

16. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of how resource/benefits were integrated and coordinated with grantee's LIHEAP program.

LIHEAP staff meets with staff from the Colorado Department of Revenue on a regular basis to coordinate efforts and develop outreach strategies to assure that low income clients are informed about LIHEAP and the Property Tax/Rent//Heat Credit. This includes the integration of information within each program's outreach and application materials.

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
LIHEAP LEVERAGING REPORT
RESOURCE/BENEFIT DESCRIPTION PAGES

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Grantee: COLORADO

Base period: 10/1/09-09/30/10

Month/Day/Year - Month/Day/Year

1. Resource #4

A. Resource/benefit name: Private Funds – Energy Outreach Colorado (EOC)

B. Gross value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period: \$7,893,111

C. Amount of grantee's own funds used to leverage this resource (not including funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment): \$ N/A

D. Costs and charges to low income households to participate/receive these benefits: \$ N/A

E. Net value of countable benefits provided by resource during this base period (To calculate item E, subtract items C and D from item B): \$7,893,111

2. Type of resource: [X] Cash [] Discount/waiver [] In-kind contribution

If more than one type of resource is claimed: Gross value of countable benefits provided by each type of resource:

3. Source of resource: EOC private funds distributed through a grants program.

4. Brief description of resource: EOC raises funds through participating utility contributions, company contributions, company matches of customer contributions, unclaimed deposits/refunds, and special events. The funds were distributed through grant awards to 131 non-profit community based agencies statewide to be paid to LIHEAP eligible households in shutoff or pending shutoff situations.

5. Brief description of benefit(s) provided to low income households by this resource (if benefits are different from resource as described in item 4, or if more information is needed): Benefits in the form of cash were added to each recipient's LIHEAP payment to cover arrearages to avoid shutoff or pending shutoff situations. Grants were distributed to 18,495 households, with an average benefit of \$426.77.

6. Geographical area in which benefits were provided: Statewide

7. Month(s) and year(s) when benefits were provided to recipients during this base period: 10/01/09-09/30/10

8. Number of low income households to whom benefits were provided in this base period: 18,495

9. Eligibility standard(s) for low income households to whom benefits were provided:

[] Income at or below 150% of the poverty level

[] Income at or below 60% of State median income

[X] Other—Specify: Income at or below 185% of the poverty level

- 10. Agency/agencies that administered resource/benefits: **131 non-profit community based agencies statewide.**
- 11. Source(s) of data used to determine value of resource/benefits, and to determine associated costs to grantee and to recipient low income households: **Records of EOC**
- 12. Brief description of how resource/benefits' value was quantified and how gross value of countable benefits was calculated, and how any offsetting costs to recipient low income households were calculated; also, for discounts, reduced rate/price actually paid, and fair market value: **\$7,893.111 / 18,495 households = \$426.77**
- 13. Criterion/criteria in 45 CFR 96.87(d)(2) that resource/benefits meet (check one or two): (Criteria are summarized below. For full text, see regulations and instructions for form.)

_____ (i) The grantee's LIHEAP program had an active, substantive, significant role in developing and/or acquiring the resource/benefits from home energy vendor(s) through negotiation, regulation, and/or competitive bid.

_____ (ii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed through (within, as part of) the grantee's LIHEAP program to low income households eligible under the grantee's LIHEAP standards, in accordance with the LIHEAP statute and regulations and the grantee's LIHEAP plan.

(iii) The resource/benefit(s) were distributed to low income households as described in the grantee's LIHEAP plan, as a supplement and/or alternative to the grantee's LIHEAP program, outside (not through, within, or as part of) the LIHEAP program. They met at least one of conditions A through H demonstrating that they were integrated and coordinated with the grantee's LIHEAP program.

14. If criterion (i) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of specific role of grantee's LIHEAP program in development and/or acquisition of resource/benefits, demonstrating that involvement of LIHEAP program was active, substantive, and significant. **N/A**

15. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13: Condition(s) under criterion (iii) that resource meets that demonstrate(s) resource's integration/coordination with grantee's LIHEAP program (check one or more):

_____ A _____ B _____ C _____ D _____ E _____ F _____ G H

16. If criterion (iii) is checked in item 13, and resource has gross value of \$5,000 or more: Explanation of how resource/benefits were integrated and coordinated with grantee's LIHEAP program.

The benefit was paid to utility vendors of LIHEAP eligible households in shutoff or pending shutoff situations.

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
LIHEAP LEVERAGING REPORT
SUMMARY PAGE

Grantee: **COLORADO**

Base Period: **10/01/2009-9/30/2010**

Address: **789 Sherman Street, Suite 440**

Month/Day/Year - Month/Day/Year

Denver, CO 80203

Estimated reporting burden = 3 hours total

Name and telephone number of person(s) to contact for further information: Todd Jorgensen - (303) 861-0325

On this Summary Page, show the grand totals for all leveraged resources that the grantee proposes to count for this base period. Items B through E are to show the sums of the information from item 1 of the Resource/Benefit Description Pages, Part 1 of this form.

A. Total number of leveraged resources	B. Total gross value of countable benefits provided by these resources to low income households during this base period	C. Total amount of grantee's own funds used to leverage these resources (not including funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment)	D. Total costs/charges to low income households to participate/ receive these benefits	E. Net value of these resources/benefits (To calculate item E, subtract items C and D from item B.)
4	\$13,326,271.74	N/A	N/A	\$13,326,271.74
F. Amount of funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment used to identify, develop, and demonstrate leveraging programs during this base period				
G. Final net value of leveraged resources/benefits to be counted for this base period (To calculate item F from item E.)				
				\$13,326,271.74

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this LIHEAP Leveraging Report is correct, and documentation to support this information is readily available and will be submitted upon request to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Karen L. Beye
 Karen L. Beye

Executive Director

Title

1-7-11

Date

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
SAMPLE LEVERAGING SUMMARY WORKSHEET

This sample format is voluntary. No penalties will be imposed if grantees do not submit it.

Grantee: COLORADO Base Period: 10/01/09-9/30/10 Page 1 of 1 Leveraging Summary Worksheet pages
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Resource #	A. Resource/benefit name (Submit a Resource/Benefit Description Pages form for each resource/benefit listed below.)	B. Gross value of countable benefits provided by this resource to low income households during this base period	C. Amount of grantee's own funds used to leverage this resource (not including funds from grantee's Federal LIHEAP allotment)	D. Costs/charges to low income households to participate/receive these benefits	E. Net value of resource/benefits (To calculate item E for each resource/benefit, subtract items C and D from item B for that resource/benefit.)
1	XCEL ENERGY/STATE WEATHERIZATION AGENCY	\$2,564,044			\$2,564,044
2	CARE AND SHARE, INC./COPE	\$ 964,116.74			\$964,116.74
3	COLORADO PROPERTY TAX/RENT/HEAT CREDIT	\$1,905,000			\$1,905,000
4	ENERGY OUTREACH COLORADO GRANT PROGRAM	\$7,893,111			\$7,893,111
Subtotals for this page		\$13,326,271.74			\$13,326,271.74

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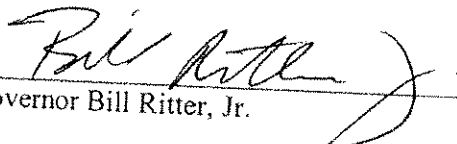


Bill Ritter, Jr.
Governor

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 11, 2008
TO: Nick St. Angelo, Director
Administration for Children and Families
US Department of Human Services
FROM: Governor Bill Ritter, Jr.
SUBJ: LEAP Signature Authority

I hereby authorize Karen L. Beye, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Human Services, signature authority for all documents submitted to the U.S. Department of Human Services pertaining to the Colorado Low-Income Energy Assistance (LEAP) Federal Block Grant.



Governor Bill Ritter, Jr.

Date: April 18, 2008