DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Program Name: Low Income Home Energy Assistance

Grantee Name: Salt River Res.

Report Name: DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Report Period: 10/01/2021 to 09/30/2022 **Report Status:** Submission Accepted by CO

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Mandatory Grant Application SF-424

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					on:		C Resubmission C Revision C Update	
				2. Date Re	ceived:		State Use Only:	
				3. Applicar	nt Identifie	r:		
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				4b. Federa	l Award Id	lentifier:	6. State Application Identifier:	
7. APPLICAN	T INFORMATIO	N		1				
* a. Legal Nar	ne: Salt River Pin	a-Maricopa Indian Com	munity					
* b. Employer	/Taxpayer Identi	ication Number (EIN/I	TIN): 86014378	* c. Organ	izational D	UNS: 108588	8716	
* d. Address:								
* Street 1:	DHHS P	revention & Intervention	Services	Street 2	:	10005 E. Osł	oorn Rd.	
* City:	SCOTTS	DALE		County	:	Maricopa		
* State:	AZ			Provinc				
* Country:		ites		* Zip / l de:	Postal Co	85256		
e. Organizatio				11				
Department N Health and He	lame: uman Services			Division Name: Prevention & Intervention Services				
f. Name and co	ontact informatio	of person to be contac	ted on matters in	volving this	application	1:		
Prefix:	* First Name: Susan		Middle Name E.		* Last Name: Nayatewa			
Suffix:	Title: Manager		Organization Salt River Pi	nal Affiliation: ima-Maricopa Indian Community				
* Telephone Number: 480-362-56 16	Fax Number 480-362-5573		* Email: Susan.Nayat	ewa@srpmic-nsn.gov				
	F APPLICANT: e American Tribal	Government (Federally I	Recognized)					
	al Description: na-Maricopa India	n Community						
* 9. Name of I	Federal Agency:							
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		As	g of Federal Dome sistance Number:	cFDA Title:				
10. CFDA Num	bers and Titles	93.568		Lo	w-Income I	Home Energy A	Assistance Program	
11. Descriptive LIHEAP	e Title of Applica	nt's Project						
	ected by Funding: na-Maricopa India	n Community						
13. CONGRES	SSIONAL DISTR	ICTS OF:		nir				
* a. Applicant				b. Program/Project:				
Attach an add	litional list of Pro	gram/Project Congressi	onal Districts if n	needed.				
14. FUNDING	14. FUNDING PERIOD:			15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:				

Page 1						
a. Start Date: b. End Date: * a. Federal (\$): b. Match (\$) 10/01/2021 09/30/2022 \$0 \$(\$)						
* 16. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?						
a. This submission wa	s made available to the State under the Executive (Order 12372				
Process for Review	w on :					
b. Program is subject	to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for	r review.				
c. Program is not cove	ered by E.O. 12372.					
* 17. Is The Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? O YES NO						
Explanation:						
complete and accurate to	cation, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the best of my knowledge. I also provide the requivare that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent stateme tle 218, Section 1001)	red assurances** and agree to comply with any	resulting terms if I			
** The list of certification specific instructions.	ns and assurances, or an internet site where you ma	y obtain this list, is contained in the announcement	nent or agency			
	ame and Title of Authorized Certifying Official	18c. Telephone (area code, number a	nd extension)			
Susan Nayatewa		18d. Email Address Susan.Nayatewa@srpmic-nsn.gov				
18b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official 18e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) 08/17/2021						
Attach support	ing documents as specified in ag	ency instructions.				

Section 1 - Program Components

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

Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Office of Community Services Washington, DC 20201

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

sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. **Section 1 Program Components** Program Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C) 1.1 Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. **Dates of Operation** (Note: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in this plan.) Start Date **End Date** Heating assistance 10/01/2021 03/31/2022 04/01/2022 09/30/2022 Cooling assistance 10/01/2021 09/30/2022 Crisis assistance 10/01/2021 09/30/2022 Weatherization assistance Provide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary Estimated Funding Allocation, 2604(C), 2605(k)(1), 2605(b)(9), 2605(b)(16) - Assurances 9 and 16 1.2 Estimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: The total of all percentages Percentage (%) must add up to 100% 8.00% Heating assistance Cooling assistance 37.00% 20.00% Crisis assistance 15.00% Weatherization assistance Carryover to the following federal fiscal year 10.00% Administrative and planning costs 10.00% 0.00% Services to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16) Used to develop and implement leveraging activities 0.00% 100.00% TOTAL Alternate Use of Crisis Assistance Funds, 2605(c)(1)(C) 1.3 The funds reserved for winter crisis assistance that have not been expended by March 15 will be reprogrammed to:

V

Cooling assistance

Heating assistance

Weatherization assistance					Other (specify:)					
	4						<u>"</u>			
	ility, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assurance 2 r households categorically eligib					o folk	owing entegories	of bo	nofits in the left colu	
mn below? • Yes		ic ii oii	ie nousenoiu mei	indei	receives one or th	e ion	owing categories	or be	hents in the left colu	
If you answered "	Yes" to question 1.4, you must co	mplet	e the table below	and	answer questions	1.5 a	nd 1.6.			
			Heating		Cooling		Crisis		Weatherization	
TANF			Yes O No	=	Yes O No	╄	Yes O No		Yes O No	
SSI			Yes 💽 No		Yes 🖲 No	_	Yes 💽 No		Yes 💽 No	
SNAP		⊙	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	
Means-tested Vetera	ns Programs	О	Yes 💽 No	C	Yes 💽 No	0	Yes 💽 No	C	Yes 💽 No	
	Program Name		Heating		Cooling		Crisis		Weatherization	
Other(Specify) 1			O Yes O No)	C Yes C No		C Yes C No)	C Yes C No	
1.5 Do you automa	tically enroll households without	t a dire	ect annual applic	ation	? C Yes 🖸 No					
If Yes, explain:										
	sure there is no difference in the eligibility and benefit amounts?		nent of categoric	ally e	ligible households	fron	n those not receiv	ving o	ther public assistance	
	ired to re-certify when each applicate the requirement to verify income with requirement to verify income with the requirement to verify income wi				that compliance w	ith in	come guidelines i	s met	. Households are not tr	
		0401	approution							
SNAP Nominal Pa	yments									
1.7a Do you allocat	te LIHEAP funds toward a nomi	inal pa	yment for SNAP	hous	eholds? O Yes	⊙ No)			
If you answered "	Yes" to question 1.7a, you must p	provid	e a response to q	uestic	ons 1.7b, 1.7c, and	1.7d	•			
1.7b Amount of No	ominal Assistance: \$0.00									
1.7c Frequency of	Assistance									
	Once Per Year									
	Once every five years									
	Other - Describe:									
1.7d How do you c	onfirm that the household receiv	ing a r	nominal paymen	t has	an energy cost or	need	?			
Determination of I	Eligibility - Countable Income									
	g a household's income eligibility	for L	IHEAP, do you ι	ıse gr	oss income or net	incoı	me ?			
Gross Incom	ie									
✓ Net Income										
Tet meome										
1.9. Select all the a	pplicable forms of countable inc	ome us	sed to determine	a hot	sehold's income e	ligib	ility for LIHEAI)		
Wages										
Self - Employ	yment Income									
✓ Contract Inc	rome									
Contract III	·········									
Payments fro	om mortgage or Sales Contracts									
Unemployment insurance										
Strike Pay										
Social Securi	ity Administration (SSA) benefit	its								
Includ tion	ing MediCare deduc Exc	cluding	g MediCare dedu	ıction						
Supplementa	al Security Income (SSI)									

>	Retirement / pension benefits
	General Assistance benefits
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits
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	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits
	Women, Infants, and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC) benefits
	(1/20) solicini
	Loans that need to be repaid
	Evalls that need to be repaid
	Cash gifts
	Cash girts
	Savings account balance
	Savings account balance
	One time home compare and as whates/and its minutes from letteries refined demants at
~	One-time lump-sum payments, such as rebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.
	Y
	Jury duty compensation
A	Rental income
~	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)
<u> </u>	
A	Income from work study programs
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~	Alimony
~	Child support
A	Interest, dividends, or royalties
1	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.
L	
	Income tax refunds
L	
	Stipends from senior companion programs, such as VISTA
	Funds received by household for the care of a foster child
	Ameri-Corp Program payments for living allowances, earnings, and in-kind aid
	Reimbursements (for mileage, gas, lodging, meals, etc.)
	(
~	Other

Quarterly per capita income from gaming revenues.

Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE

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Section 2 - Heating Assistance							
Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2						
2.1 Designate the	e income eligibility threshold used for the	heating co	omponent:				
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshol	d		
1	All Household Sizes		HHS Poverty Guidelines	1	150.00%		
	2.2 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for H Yes No EATING ASSITANCE?						
2.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the p	olicies for	each.				
Do you require a	n Assets test ?	O Yes	⊙ No				
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:	·					
Renters?		O Yes	⊙ _{No}				
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing ?	O Yes	⊙ _{No}				
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent ?	Oyes	C _{No}				
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:	,					
Elderly?		• Yes	C _{No}				
Disabled?		• Yes	C _{No}				
Young chil	dren?	• Yes	C _{No}				
Household	s with high energy burdens ?	• Yes	C _{No}				
Other?		O Yes	⊙ No				
Explanations of p	policies for each "yes" checked above:						
			nder 6 receive additional benefits. For each hou f \$300.00 during the winter assistance and \$400				
If t	funding is available applicants may apply tw	vice per fise	cal year with total award benefits not to exceed	\$3000.00.			
Determination of	f Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
2.4 Describe how	you prioritize the provision of heating as	ssistance to	ovulnerable populations,e.g., benefit amounts	, early application period	ds, etc.		
			der 6 receive additional benefits. For each house 300.00 during the winter assistance and \$400.00				
			<u> </u>	· ·	tance.		
11 1	funding is available applicants may apply tw	ice per fise	cal year with total award benefits not to exceed	\$3000.00.			
2.5 Check the va	riables you use to determine your benefit	levels. (Cl	neck all that apply):				
✓ Income							
Family (hor	usehold) size						
✓ Home energy cost or need:							
Fuel type							
Climate/region							
✓ Indi	vidual bill						
	elling type						
		energy)					
Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)							

Energy need							
Other - Describe:							
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)							
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for	the fiscal year for which this pla	n applies					
Minimum Benefit	Minimum Benefit \$300 Maximum Benefit \$600						
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blanket	ts, space heaters) and/or other fo	rms of benefits? • Yes No					
If yes, describe.							
In-kind: Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community provides blankets and space heaters.							
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in							

Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE

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Section 3 - Cooling Assistance							
Eligibility, 2605(Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2						
3.1 Designate Th	e income eligibility threshold used for the	Cooling o	component:				
Add	Household size	Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold					
1	1 All Household Sizes HHS Poverty Guidelines 150.00%						
	3.2 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for C OOLING ASSITANCE?						
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the p	olicies for	each.				
Do you require a	n Assets test ?	C Yes	⊙ No				
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:						
Renters?		O Yes	€ No				
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing ?	Oyes	⊙ No				
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent ?	Oyes	⊙ _{No}				
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:	,					
Elderly?		⊙ Yes	O _{No}				
Disabled?		• Yes	C _{No}				
Young chil	dren?	⊙ Yes	C _{No}				
Household	s with high energy burdens ?	• Yes	C _{No}				
Other?		O Yes	⊙ No				
Explanations of	policies for each "yes" checked above:						
d results in	n an additional \$50.00 benefit to the baseline	e benefit of	nder 6 receive additional benefits. For each hous \$300.00 for winter assistance and \$400.00 for secal year with award benefits not to exceed \$3000.	ummer assistance.	mentione		
3.4 Describe how	you prioritize the provision of cooling as	sistance to	ovulnerable populations,e.g., benefit amounts,	early application period	ds, etc.		
households with elderly, veterans, and young children under 6 receive additional benefits. For each household, any of the above mentione d results in an additional \$50.00 benefit to the baseline benefit of \$300.00 for winter assistance and \$400.00 for summer assistance. If funding is available, applicants may apply twice per fiscal year with award benefits not to exceed \$3000.00.							
Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)							
3.5 Check the variables you use to determine your benefit levels. (Check all that apply):							
✓ Income	✓ Income						
Family (household) size							
✓ Home energy cost or need:							
Fuel type							
Climate/region							
✓ Indi							
Dwe	lling type						
✓ Ene	Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)						

Energy need							
Other - Describe:							
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)							
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for	the fiscal year for which this pla	n applies					
Minimum Benefit	\$400	Maximum Benefit	\$800				
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, a	ir conditioners) and/or other form	ns of benefits? • Yes • No					
If yes, describe.			<u> </u>				
The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community provides portable AC units and fans.							
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 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE

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Section 4: CRISIS ASSISTANCE					
Eligibility - 2604(c), 2605(c)(1)(A)					
4.1 Designate the	e income eligibility threshold used for the crisis comp	onent			
Add	Household size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold		
1	All Household Sizes	HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%		
4.2 Provide your	LIHEAP program's definition for determining a cri	sis.			
	r an elderly (55+), disabled, or child under 6 whose hous off such as, but not limited to the following situations:	sehold has exhausted the regular benefit and is	in a crisis, which the power cann		
*N	Medication that requires uninterrupted refrigeration.				
	CPS threat of removal of a child in the custody of a grand heating or cooling.	parent, because of an unsafe environment that	would be caused by a lack of elec		
*P	ost medical procedure or emergancy convalescence at h	ome, which has prevented the ability to pay for	electricity.		
4.3 What constitu	utes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u>				
	life-threatening crisis is consituted by any heating or coof a LIHEAP eligible home.	oling situation where the loss of electricity may	result in a fatal consequence for		
Crisis Requirem	ent, 2604(c)				
4.4 Within how r	many hours do you provide an intervention that will	resolve the energy crisis for eligible househol	ds? 48Hours		
4.5 Within how r s? 18Hours	many hours do you provide an intervention that will	resolve the energy crisis for eligible househol	ds in life-threatening situation		
Crisis Eligibility	, 2605(c)(1)(A)				
4.6 Do you have ANCE?	additional eligibility requirements for CRISIS ASSIS	T C Yes O No			
4.7 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the policies for e				
Do you require a	n Assets test ?	C Yes O No			
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to :				
Elderly?		C Yes 💿 No			
Disabled?		○ Yes			
Young Chi	ldren?	C Yes O No			
Household	s with high energy burdens?	C Yes C No			
Other?		C Yes ⊙ No			
In Order to receive crisis assistance:					
Must the h empty tank?	ousehold have received a shut-off notice or have a ne	ar C Yes O No			
Must the h	ousehold have been shut off or have an empty tank?	○Yes •No			
Must the h	ousehold have exhausted their regular heating benef	it? O Yes O No			
Must rente ed an eviction no	ers with heating costs included in their rent have rece otice ?	iv C Yes O No			
Must heati	ing/cooling be medically necessary?	C Yes ⊙ No			
Must the h	ousehold have non-working heating or cooling equip	m ∩ Yes ⊙ No			

ent?								
Other?				C Yes ⊙ No				
Do you have additiona	al / differing eligibility policie	es for:		-10				
Renters?	ii / timering engionicy possess	.5 101 .		C _{Yes} ⊙ _{No}				
	n subsidized housing?			C Yes © No				
	ilities included in the rent?			C Yes © No				
				U Yes ♥ No				
Explanations of policion	es for each "yes" checked ab	ove:						
Determination of Bene	efits							
4.8 How do you handle	e crisis situations?							
	Separate component							
	Fast Track							
✓	Other - Describe:							
	Other - Describe: Clients are referred by the Crisis Intervention team through Behavioral health Services. After hours and weekends are handled by the Crisis Intervention team and then Central intake Center team will resume services during the business hours. Temporary lodging or portable air conditioning units are distributed to at risk individuals (seniors 55+, children u nder 6, and those with great medical needs).							
4.9 If you have a separ	rate component, how do you	determine c	risis assistaı	nce benefits?				
	Amount to resolve the crisis	5.						
	Other - Describe:							
Crisis Requirements, 2	2604(c)							
4.10 Do you accept ap	plications for energy crisis as	ssistance at	sites that are	e geographically accessible to all households in the area to be served?				
⊙ Yes O No Ex	xplain.							
Applicat	tions are processed at the Triba	al complex, Γ	Department o	of Health and Human Services.				
4.11 Do you provide in	ndividuals who are physically	y disabled th	ne means to:					
Submit applications	s for crisis benefits without le	eaving their	homes?					
⊙ Yes ○ No If	No, explain.							
Travel to the sites a	t which applications for crisi	s assistance	are accepte	d?				
€ Yes C No If	No, explain.							
If you answered "No" bled?	to both options in question 4	4.11, please o	explain alter	rnative means of intake to those who are homebound or physically disa				
Benefit Levels, 2605(c))(1)(R)							
	imum benefit for each type of	f crisis assis	tance offere	d				
Winter Crisis	\$600.00 maximum benefi							
Summer Crisis	\$800.00 maximum benefi							
Year-round Crisis	\$3,000.00 maximum bene	efit						
4.13 Do you provide in	n-kind (e.g. blankets, space h	eaters, fans)	and/or othe	er forms of benefits?				
⊙Yes ONo If ye	s, Describe							
Blankets, heaters, fans, portable air conditioning units, and lodging are utilized with Tribal Financial Assistance programs.								
4.14 Do you provide fo	or equipment repair or repla	cement usin	g crisis fund	ds?				
⊙ Yes C No								
	'' to question 4.14, you must o							
4.15 Check appropriate	te boxes below to indicate typ	1						
		Winter C risis	Summer Crisis	Year-round Crisis				
Heating system repair		>						
Heating system replac	Heating system replacement							

Cooling system repair		\					
Cooling system replacement		V					
Wood stove purchase							
Pellet stove purchase							
Solar panel(s)							
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups							
Other (Specify):							
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with e	nforce a moi	ratorium on	shut offs?				
C Yes O No							
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must	respond to	question 4.1	7.				
4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and any special dispensation received by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.							
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.							

Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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Sec	ction 5: WEA	THERIZATION ASSISTANC	CE .			
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - A	Assurance 2					
5.1 Designate the income eligibility thro	eshold used for the W	Veatherization component				
Add Hou	usehold Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold			
1 All Household Sizes		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%			
5.2 Do you enter into an interagency ag $\rm No$	reement to have anot	ther government agency administer a WEATHE	RIZATION component? O Yes			
5.3 If yes, name the agency.						
5.4 Is there a separate monitoring prote	ocol for weatherizatio	on? C Yes O No				
WEATHERIZATION - Types of Rules	3					
5.5 Under what rules do you administer	r LIHEAP weatheriz	ation? (Check only one.)				
Entirely under LIHEAP (not DO	E) rules					
Entirely under DOE WAP (not L	LIHEAP) rules					
Mostly under LIHEAP rules with	h the following DOE	WAP rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules diff	fer (Check all that apply):			
Income Threshold						
Weatherization of entire m le units or will become eligible within 1		tructure is permitted if at least 66% of units (50%)	% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are eligib			
are facilities).	rarily housing primar	rily low income persons (excluding nursing home	es, prisons, and similar institutional c			
Other - Describe:						
Mostly under DOE WAP rules, v	vith the following LII	HEAP rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules dif	ffer (Check all that apply.)			
Income Threshold						
Weatherization not subject	to DOE WAP maxin	num statewide average cost per dwelling unit.				
Weatherization measures a	re not subject to DO	E Savings to Investment Ration (SIR) standards	š.			
Other - Describe:	· · · · · ·	-				
Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5						
5.6 Do you require an assets test?						
5.7 Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for :						
Renters	⊙ Yes ○ No					
Renters living in subsidized house g?	in Yes O No					
5.8 Do you give priority in eligibility to	:					
Elderly?	C Yes O No					
Disabled?	C Yes O No					
Young Children?	O Yes O No					
House holds with high energy but ns?	rde C Yes O No					
Other?	O Yes O No					

If you selected "Yes" for any of the options in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field bel ow. Only energy assistance is provided to rental properties in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. For subsidized housing rental units are serviced by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian community Housing Division, therefore, crisis services are not needed. Only energy assistance is provided to all rental units.						
Benefit Levels						
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP weatherization benefit/expenditure	e per household? • Yes O No					
5.10 If yes, what is the maximum? \$3,000						
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)						
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization measures do you provide ? (Check a)	ll categories that apply.)					
Weatherization needs assessments/audits	Energy related roof repair					
✓ Caulking and insulation	Major appliance Repairs					
Storm windows	Major appliance replacement					
Furnace/heating system modifications/ repairs	Windows/sliding glass doors					
Furnace replacement	Doors					
Cooling system modifications/ repairs	✓ Water Heater					
Water conservation measures	Cooling system replacement					
Compact florescent light bulbs	Other - Describe:					
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in						

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

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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 ass vailable:
Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc.
Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements.
Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance.
Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients.
Inform low income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance at application intake for other low-income programs.
Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups.
✓ Other (specify):
 Information on the program, eligibility requirements, fuding availability and exhaustion of funds is submitted to the Tribal news paper, Tribal Intranet, and Facebook media outlets.
2. Information is also distributed an given at conferences, workshops, summits, district council meetings, and events for the Seni

3. Information will be updated to notify clients of the lcoation and application process for LIHEAP applications.

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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, SS I, WAP, etc.). Joint application for multiple programs Intake referrals to/from other programs One - stop intake centers Other - Describe:

The Tribal LIHEAP coordinates with the City of Scottsdale for residents that reside at the Shadow Mountain mobile park to assure that cli ents have not received LIHEAP assistance at either location to avoid duplication of services.

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Section 8. Agency Designation 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6 (Required for state grantees an

Secti	he (h of Puerto Ric	-	e grantees and t			
8.1 How would you categorize the primary responsibility of your State agency?								
	Administration Agency							
	Commerce Agency							
	Community Services Agency							
	Energy / Environment Agency							
	Housing Agency							
	Welfare Agency							
>	Other - Describe: Tribal Government							
8.3 Hov	v do you provide alternate outreach and int v do you provide alternate outreach and int v do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for COOLING AS	SSISTANCE?					
8.5 LIH	IEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization			
	ho determines client eligibility?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government			
8.5b W	ho processes benefit payments to gas and e vendors?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government				
8.5c wh	to processes benefit payments to bulk fuel s?	Tribal Government	Tribal Government	Tribal Government				
	5d Who performs installation of weatherization leasures? Tribal Government							
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?								
A majority of the LIHEAP receipients live within the community and funding is used for households within the community.								
8.7 How many local administering agencies do you use? 1								

C Yes	8.8 Have you changed any local administering agencies in the last year? ○ Yes ○ No						
8.9 If s	50, why?						
	Agency was in noncompliance with grantee requirements for LIHEAP -						
	Agency is under criminal investigation						
	Added agency						
	Agency closed						
	Other - describe						
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9.1 Do you make	payments directly to home energy suppliers?	
Heating	⊙ Yes O No	
Cooling		
Crisis	⊙ Yes ○ No	
Are there excep		
If yes, Describe		
9.2 How do you r	otify the client of the amount of assistance paid?	
	ents are notified within 3 business days of submitting a completed application via telephone. Once pay a UPS mail.	ment has been made, clients are
	ssure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing prochome energy and the amount of the payment?	ess, the difference between the
	Client submit a billing statement with account number and balance due. DHHS Prevention & Intervent the energy vendor and verifies the balance. Notes are then entered into DHHS Share Point client data	
2.	Client is informed of the required educational class and class schedule, which may be held virtually and	d in person in the future.
3.	The energy supplier is sent a letter of guarantee of payment ad the anount to be paid by fax or email.	
4.	Vendors agree to hold the account and avoid disconnection until payment has been received.	
uppliers.	e to a varity of issues and unique cirumstances, SRPMIC has chosen not to enter into possible limited v The community has and continues to maintain a positive relationship with energy suppliers to prevent eneral welfare fo the community members.	0
9.4 How do you a nce?	ssure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of t	heir receipt of LIHEAP assista
urance Por vided. Che	s the policy off the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community to protect LIHEAP client information tability and Accountability Act (HIPPA). Payments made to energy vendors are not an indication that lecks are issued from the SRPMIC Finance Departmet with no identifying information. The SRPMIC Lormation as needed to make payment of the amount indicated on a check.	LIHEAP benefits have been pro
s Salt Rive River Proje uarantee aş	ditionally, the SRPMIC LIHEAP program meets with energy vendors through various stakeholder meet r Project. Salt River Project does not discriminate against individuals applyfor any type of assistance, ect has instituted several programs to help meet the needs of the clients in need: such as reduced rate plagreemtns with organizations to hold accounts for customer who may need LIHEAP assistance. SRPMIC IHEAP clients to ensure timely and fair resolution of account of billing needs.	Contrary to discrimination, Salt ans, low-income discounts, and g
	payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energ	y burdens of eligible household

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

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

As with other federal programs administered by SRPMIC, LIHEAP will be subject to the "Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" in the United States as applied to government units. The communities' financial records are audited on an annual basis and it's general fund budget is prepared in accordance with the established Tribal Budget Procedures Ordinance. SRPMIC uses Oracle Peoplesoft Enterprise Financial Manage ment System, which includes: General Ledger, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Billing, Contracts, Project Costing, Asset Management, Budgeting, Grants Management, Cash Management, Business Planning, and Financial Portal Pack. These fiscal controls and acounting procedure sensure prudent use, proper and timely disbursement and accurate accounting of all Federal funds received by the community.

Vendor refunds are rare, if any, as payments for utility costs are made directly to the utility company or home improvement stores. Payments for utilities are verified before payment is required via company check or credit card. Payments to home improvement stores (water heater, range, or rfrigerator) are made via credit card to the vendor and if a refund is due the credit card is credited).

EAch component (crisis, heating, weatherization, etc.,) has their own line item and monthly reports from the Tribal Finance Department ar e sent to the grantee manager to track spending and availability of funding for each component.

	· ·	to track spending and availability of fur s for the LIHEAP grant are sent from the		ing with each federal fiscal year (October			
Montly budget reports for the LIHEAP grant are sent from the Tribal Finance Department beginning with each federal fiscal year (October 1-September 30), which is the same fiscal year that the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community also follows as a Tribal Government.							
Audit Process							
10.2. Is your L		dited annually under the Single Audit	t Act and OMB Circular A - 133?				
		ising to the level of material weakness vs, or other government agency review		he A-133 audits, Grantee monitoring as e most recently audited fiscal year.			
No Findings	2						
Finding	Туре	Brief Summary	Resolved?	Action Taken			
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10.4. Audits of	Local Administerin	g Agencies					
What types of Select all that		ements do you have in place for local	administering agencies/district off	ïces?			
Loca	l agencies/district of	fices are required to have an annual a	udit in compliance with Single Au	dit Act and OMB Circular A-133			
Loca	l agencies/district of	fices are required to have an annual a	nudit (other than A-133)				
Loca	l agencies/district of	fices' A-133 or other independent aud	lits are reviewed by Grantee as pa	rt of compliance process.			
Gran	Grantee conducts fiscal and program monitoring of local agencies/district offices						
Compliance M	Compliance Monitoring						
10.5. Describe the Grantee's strategies for monitoring compliance with the Grantee's and Federal LIHEAP policies and procedures: Select all that apply							
Grantee emplo	oyees:						
✓ Inter	✓ Internal program review						
✓ Depa	✓ Departmental oversight						
✓ Secon	Secondary review of invoices and payments						
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:							

Local Administering Agencies / District Offices:
On - site evaluation
Annual program review
Monitoring through central database
Desk reviews
Client File Testing / Sampling
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
10.6 Explain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews.
Site Visits:
Desk Reviews:
10.8. How often is each local agency monitored ?
10.9. What is the combined error rate for eligibility determinations? OPTIONAL
10.10. What is the combined error rate for benefit determinations? OPTIONAL
10.11. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans for eligibility and/or benefit determination issues?
10.12. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans for financial accounting or administrative issues?
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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.
▼ 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:
Opportunities for public participation are available for all households in the boundaries of the community. Information is available throug h the Senior Services Department, District Council Meetings, Tribal Newspaper, Intranet, Flyers, Facebook page, telephone calls, and all walk-in appointments.
11.2 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of this participation?
No changes were suggested from public opportunities for comment.
Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Only
11.3 List the date and location(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the proposed use and distribution of your LIHEAP funds?
Date Event Description
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11.4. How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)?
11.5 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s).
11.6 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of the comments received at the public hearing(s)?
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Section 12: Fair Hearings, 2605(b)(13) - Assurance 13

12.1 How many fair hearings did the grantee have in the prior Federal fiscal year? 0

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?

No policy or prodecrual changes were made as a result of a fair hearings in FY2021.

12.4 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are denied.

It is the policy of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council to treat all persons fairly in all aspects. Persons who feel that they have been subjected to unfair treatment of discrinination will have the right to subnit their LIHEAP denial grievance in writing to the Health and Human Services Director. Persons filing a denial grievance shall be free from restraint, duress, coercion, discriminationm,or reprisal. Persons who feel they have been sujected to unfair treatment or discrimination in receiving services may present their LIHEAP denial grievance according to the following procedure.

- 1. The person should present the LIHEAP denail grievance in writing.
- 2. The HHS Director shall direct the responsible CIC worker to investigate their complaint and to make a report within 3 business days an d if approprite take corrective action.
 - 3. The DHHs Director shall advise the complainant of the results of the investigation and the action taken to resolve the matter.

12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

Clients are informed of these rights as part of registration, intake and informed consent for services provided.

12.6 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are not acted on in a timely manner.

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

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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 ther eby the need for energy assistance?

Applicants will attend a two hour educational class that will address budget, financial management, and information on how to reduce energy costs. Teh class will be a requirement for receiving LIHEAP assistance.

The classes will resume once the Tribe has returned to Phase 4 of the Return to Work Model. At present the Tribe is crrently in Phase 3 and it is undetermined as to when the Tribe will return to Phase 4. The classes will be held virtually in the beginning of phase 4.

Energy savings brochures are provided by the local utility company and are handed out to each client during the initial itake asssment at th e CIC. In addition, a community wide newsletter will be sent out by mail to target household with high energy burdens. The newsletter will conta in information on accessing current funding available.

Income eligibility identifies the amount awarded to each applicant depending on the factors that pertain to the applicant. The awarded amounts will not exceed the budgeted amounts as identified in the matrix.

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

CIC partners with local community energy vendors to collaborate and inform clients of various methods, rates and plans that may reduce household energy costs, therefore, maximizing dollars from LIHEAP benefits.

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

Clients who are eligible for LIHEAP benefits in the geographic area of SRPMIC are eligible for income based rebates with the local utility provider. Clients who are determined to be eligible can qualify for a rebate with the electric provider in the area that saves households \$204-252 a nnually.

13.4 Describe the level ofdirect benefitsprovided to those households in the previous Federal fiscal year.

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13.5 How many households applied for these services?

13.6 How many households received these services?

Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program ,2607A

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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.

 $SRPMIC\ LIHEAP\ does\ not\ give\ instructions\ to\ third\ parties\ for\ submitting\ levereging\ resources\ information\ or\ record\ retention.$

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. \S 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	\$300.00 utility paym ent	SRPMIC Financial Assistanc e Program	Clients that have exhausted their LIHEAP benefits for the fiscal year will be referre d to the SRPMIC Financial Assistance Program.
	Installation or repair costs for home coolin g and heating system s.	SRPMIC Senior Home Repai r and Replacement Program (SHRRP)	LIHEAP eligible clients may apply for the SHRRP program to cover the costs of in stallation when LIHEAP purchases new units for heating or cooling for eligible ho useholds.

Section 15 - Training

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Section 15: Training						
15.1 Describe the training you provide for each of the following groups:						
a. Grantee Staff:						
Formal training on grantee policies and procedures						
How often?						
Annually						
Biannually						
As needed						
Other - Describe:						
Employees are provided with policy manual						
Other-Describe:						
b. Local Agencies:						
Formal training conference						
How often?						
Annually						
Biannually						
As needed						
Other - Describe:						
On-site training						
How often?						
Annually						
Biannually						
As needed						
Other - Describe:						
Employees are provided with policy manual						
Other - Describe						
c. Vendors						
Formal training conference						
How often?						
Annually						
Biannually						
As needed						
Other - Describe:						
Policies communicated through vendor agreements						
Policies are outlined in a vendor manual						

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Other - Describe:

SRPMIC chooses not to enter into limited vendor agreements, however, maintains a collaborative working relationship to maintain the use of LIHEAP f unding for households. There is only one vendor that processes utility payments and have done so for the past 16 years. They provide services for other L IHEAP grantees in the Phoenix area and have been trained by other grantees on processes and to track payments specifically for the LIHEAP grant. SRP MIC will send a letter of notification when a client is approved for utility assistance whether it is for heating or cooling for the vendor's own tracking pur poses and to assure payment to the correct client utility account.

15.2 Does your training program address fraud reporting and prevention?

Yes

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

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

16.1 Describe your progress toward meeting the data collection and reporting requirements of the four required LIHEAP performance measure s. 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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Section 17: Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)										
17.1	Fraud Reporting Mechanisms									
a. D	escribe all mechanisms availabl	le to	the public for repo	orting cases of	sus	pected waste, frau	ıd, and abuse. S	elect	t all that apply.	
	Online Fraud Reporting	g								
	✓ Dedicated Fraud Repor	ting	Hotline							
	Report directly to local	ager	ncy/district office o	r Grantee offi	ce					
	Report to State Inspecto	or G	eneral or Attorney	General						
	Forms and procedures i	in pl	ace for local agenc	ies/district off	ices	and vendors to re	port fraud, was	te, a	nd abuse	
	Other - Describe:									
b. D	escribe strategies in place for a	dvei	rtising the above-re	eferenced reso	urce	s. Select all that a	pply			
	Printed outreach materi	ials								
	Addressed on LIHEAP	app	lication							
	✓ Website									
	Other - Describe:									
17.2	. Identification Documentation	Req	uirements							
a. Indicate which of the following forms of identification are required or requested to be collected from LIHEAP applicants or their household m embers.										
T						Collected from	Whom?			
Тур	e of Identification Collected		Applicant O	nly		All Adults in H	ousehold		All Household	Members
	cial Security Card is photocopi and retained			>	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, Tri		Required		Y	Required		>	Required		
bal ID, passport, etc.)			Requested			Requested			Requested	
	Other		Applicant Only Required	Applicant On Requested		All Adults in Household Required	All Adults in Household Requested		All Household Members Required	All Household Members Requested
1						Acquired Acquested		7		

b. Describe any exceptions to the above policies.
17.3 Identification Verification
Describe what methods are used to verify the authenticity of identification documents provided by clients or household members. Select all that apply
Verify SSNs with Social Security Administration
Match SSNs with death records from Social Security Administration or state agency
Match SSNs with state eligibility/case management system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)
Match with state Department of Labor system
Match with state and/or federal corrections system
Match with state child support system
Verification using private software (e.g., The Work Number)
In-person certification by staff (for tribal grantees only)
in-person certification by staff (for tribal grantees only)
Matter 655 (11 total 25 indirect with a four database of enformment records (15) a four grantees only)
Uther - Describe:
17.4. Citizenship/Legal Residency Verification
What are your procedures for ensuring that household members are U.S. citizens or aliens who are qualified to receive LIHEAP benefits? Select all that apply.
Clients sign an attestation of citizenship or legal residency
Client's submission of Social Security cards is accepted as proof of legal residency
Noncitizens must provide documentation of immigration status
Citizens must provide a copy of their birth certificate, naturalization papers, or passport
Noncitizens are verified through the SAVE system
Tribal members are verified through Tribal enrollment records/Tribal ID card
Other - Describe:
17.5. Income Verification
What methods does your agency utilize to verify household income? Select all that apply.
Require documentation of income for all adult household members
Pay stubs
Social Security award letters
☑ Bank statements
Tax statements
Zero-income statements
✓ Unemployment Insurance letters
Other - Describe:
Computer data matches:
Income information matched against state computer system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)
Proof of unemployment benefits verified with state Department of Labor
Social Security income verified with SSA
Utilize state directory of new hires
Other - Describe:
17.6. Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality
Describe the financial and operating controls in place to protect client information against improper use or disclosure. Select all that apply.
Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent
Grantee LIHEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards

Employee training on confidentiality for:
Local agencies/district offices
Employees must sign confidentiality agreement
Grantee employees
Local agencies/district offices
Physical files are stored in a secure location
Other - Describe:
17.7. Verifying the Authenticity What policies are in place for verifying vendor authenticity? Select all that apply.
All vendors must register with the State/Tribe.
Im ventors mass supply a valid sort of 111 (11 > 101m
Vendors are verified through energy bills provided by the household
Grantee 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
What policies are in place to protect against fraud when making benefit payments to gas and electric utilities on behalf of clients? Select all that
apply.
Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency
Applicants must submit current utility bill
Data exchange with utilities that verifies:
Account ownership
Consumption
✓ Balances
✓ Payment history
Account is properly credited with benefit
Other - Describe:
Centralized computer system/database tracks payments to all utilities
Centralized computer system automatically generates benefit level
Separation of duties between intake and payment approval
Payments coordinated among other energy assistance programs to avoid duplication of payments
Payments to utilities and invoices from utilities are reviewed for accuracy
Computer databases are periodically reviewed to verify accuracy and timeliness of payments made to utilities
Computer databases are personally reviewed to verify accuracy and amenings or payments induc to damage
Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only
Procedures are in place to require prompt refunds from utilities in cases of account closure
Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism
Other - Describe:
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, a nd 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

1	Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only			
	Vendors are only paid once they provide a delivery receipt signed by the client			
	Conduct monitoring of bulk fuel vendors			
	Bulk fuel vendors are required to submit reports to the Grantee			
	Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism			
	Other - Describe:			
17.10. Investigations and Prosecutions				
	be the Grantee's procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients/staff/vendors found to ommitted 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 Grantee conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public			
	Grantee attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process			
Y	Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? indefinitely			
	Contracts with local agencies require that employees found to have committed fraud are reprimanded and/or terminated			
~	Vendors found to have committed fraud may no longer participate in LIHEAP			
	Other - Describe:			
	If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.			

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

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

Instructions for Certification

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

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

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

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

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

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

Instructions for Certification

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

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

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

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

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

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

Section 19: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals)

The grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:,

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

number(s) of each affected grant;

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

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community * Address Line 1					
DHHS Prevention & Intervention Services Address Line 2					
10005 E. Osborn Rd. Address Line 3					
Scottsdale * City	AZ * State	85256 * Zip Code			

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

Alternate II. (Grantees Who Are Individuals)

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

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

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

Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

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

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$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 grantees and may be contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households, including providing for agreements between suppliers and individuals eligible for benefits under this Act that seek to reduce home energy costs, minimize the risks of home energy crisis, and encourage regular payments by individuals receiving financial assistance for home energy costs;

(8) provide assurances that,

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

(9) provide that--

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

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

Plan Attachments

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).				