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

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

Grantee Name: Ok Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma

**Report Name:** DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP) Revision # 1

**Report Period:** 10/01/2021 to 09/30/2022

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# **Mandatory Grant Application SF-424**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES **ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES** 

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* 1.a. Type of Submission:  Plan		• Annual		* 1.c. Consolidated Application/Pl an/Funding Request?  Explanation:  2. Date Received:  3. Applicant Identifier:  4a. Federal Entity Identifier:		r:	*1.d. Version:  Initial Resubmission Revision Update  State Use Only:  5. Date Received By State:
				4b. Fed	eral Award Id	lentifier:	6. State Application Identifier:
7. APPLICAN	T INFORMATION			T.			
* a. Legal Nai	ne: Ottawa Tribe of O	klahoma					
* <b>b. Employer</b> 414	/Taxpayer Identificat	ion Number (EIN/TIN	73104908	* c. Or	ganizational D	UNS: 14590	6558
* d. Address:				07		I.	
* Street 1:	POST OFFIC	CE BOX 110		Stre	et 2:		
* City:	MIAMI			Cou	•	Ottawa	
* State:	OK				vince:		
* Country:	United States			* Zi de:	p / Postal Co	74355 -	
e. Organizatio				W.			
Department N	Vame:			Division Name:			
f. Name and co	ontact information of	person to be contacted	l on matters in	volving t	his application	n:	
Prefix:	* First Name: Linda		Middle Name	<b>:</b>	* Last Name: Plott		
Suffix:	Title: Tribal Planner		Organization	nal Affiliation:			
* Telephone Number: (918) 540-2 377	Fax Number 918-542-3214		* Email: chr.lindap@y	@yahoo.com			
* <b>8a. TYPE O</b> I: Indian/Nativ	F APPLICANT: e American Tribal Gov	ernment (Federally Rec	ognized)				
b. Addition	al Description:						
* 9. Name of I	Federal Agency:						
			f Federal Domes tance Number:	Federal Domestic ance Number:		CFDA Title:	
10. CFDA Num	bers and Titles	93.568			Low-Income l	Home Energy A	Assistance Program
11. Descriptiv	e Title of Applicant's	Project					
12. Areas Affe	ected by Funding:						
13. CONGRE	SSIONAL DISTRICT	S OF:					
* a. Applicant	;			b. Prog	ram/Project:		
	litional list of Progran	n/Project Congression	al Districts if n	eeded.			
14. FUNDING	PERIOD:			15. ES	TIMATED FU	NDING:	

<b>a. Start Date:</b> 10/01/2021	* a. Federal (\$): \$0	<b>b. Match (\$):</b> \$0						
* 16. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT T	* 16. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?							
a. This submission was made ava	ailable to the State under the Executiv	ve Order 123	372					
Process for Review on :								
b. Program is subject to E.O. 12.	372 but has not been selected by State	for review.						
c. Program is not covered by E.O	O. 12372.							
* 17. Is The Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt?  C YES  NO								
Explanation:								
complete and accurate to the best of	rtify (1) to the statements contained in f my knowledge. I also provide the re- my false, fictitious, or fraudulent state tion 1001)	quired assur	rances** and agree to comply with a	ny resulting terms if I				
** The list of certifications and assu specific instructions.	irances, or an internet site where you	may obtain	this list, is contained in the announce	ement or agency				
18a. Typed or Printed Name and Ti Linda Plott, Tribal Planner	itle of Authorized Certifying Official		<b>18c.</b> Telephone (area code, number (918) 540-2377	and extension)				
			18d. Email Address chr.lindap@yahoo.com					
18b. Signature of Authorized Certif	fying Official		18e. Date Report Submitted (Mont 10/12/2021	h, Day, Year)				

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency 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 req uired 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 fo r reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or

### sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. **Section 1 Program Components** 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 03/15/2022 03/15/2022 09/30/2022 Cooling assistance 10/01/2021 09/30/2022 Crisis assistance 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% 30.00% Heating assistance Cooling assistance 30.00% 15 00% Crisis assistance 0.00% Weatherization assistance Carryover to the following federal fiscal year 10.00% Administrative and planning costs 10.00% 5.00% 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: Heating assistance V Cooling assistance

	Weatherization assistance		<b>v</b>	Othe	er (specify:) suppl	lemen	ntal benefits may b	e issi	ued
Catagorical	EU-:Litte- 2605(b)(2)(A) Assurance	2 2605(a)	(1)(A) 2605(h	-1/04)	4				
	Eligibility, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assurance consider households categorically eliq					e folk	owing categories	of be	mofits in the left colu
mn below?	Yes O No	gibie ii one .	lousenoid inc.	Iliber .				01 55	nens ii die ien com
If you answe	ered "Yes" to question 1.4, you must	t complete t	he table below	v and a	inswer questions	1.5 aı	nd 1.6.		
			Heating	工	Cooling		Crisis		Weatherization
TANF		ΟY	es O No	⊙	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	С	Yes O No
SSI		⊙ <sub>Y</sub>	es O No	•	Yes O No	$\odot$	Yes O No	C	Yes O No
SNAP		ΟY	es O No	$\odot$	Yes O No	$\odot$	Yes O No	С	Yes O No
Means-tested	Veterans Programs	Су	es 💽 No	0	Yes 💽 No	0	Yes O No	С	Yes 💽 No
	Program Name		Heating		Cooling		Crisis		Weatherization
Other(Specify	r) 1	- 1	C Yes C No		C Yes C No		C Yes C No		O Yes O No
1.5 Do you a	nutomatically enroll households with	out a direct	t annual applic	cation	O Yes O No	_			
If Yes, expla		.out a direct	annuar appro-	anon.	103 110				
11 100, 0									
	you ensure there is no difference in t		nt of categoric	cally el	igible households	fron	those not receiv	ing o	ther public assistance
when detern	nining eligibility and benefit amount int must fill out an application and furn	ts?	_	-				_	_
	nd cooling, therefore each applicant is t			ii uic, .	necu assistance. 1.	1113 ***	III ucicimine cii <sub>b</sub> .	راااادر	dia beliefit amounts.
	inal Payments				<u> </u>	_			
	allocate LIHEAP funds toward a no								
	ered "Yes" to question 1.7a, you mus	st provide a	response to q	<sub>[</sub> uestion	ns 1.7b, 1.7c, and	1.7d.	,		
	at of Nominal Assistance: \$0.00								
1.7c Frequer	ncy of Assistance								
	Once Per Year								
	Once every five years								
	Other - Describe:								
1.7d How do	you confirm that the household rec	ceiving a no	minal paymen	nt has a	n energy cost or	need	?		
	- J		F				·		
Determinati	ion of Eligibility - Countable Income	÷							
1.8. In deter	mining a household's income eligibil	lity for LIH	EAP, do you i	use gro	oss income or net	incor	ne ?		
	Income					_			
Net In	icome								
	ll the applicable forms of countable i	income used	to determine	: a hous	sehold's income e	ligibi	lity for LIHEAP		
Wages	3								
Self - I	Employment Income			—		—			
Self - I	гтрюушен исоне								
Contract Income									
Contract Income								_	
Conti	Payments from mortgage or Sales Contracts								
	Tayments from moregage or states contracts								
Payme	ployment insurance					_			
Payme	ployment insurance			_		_			
Payme Unemp	ployment insurance					_ _ _			
Payme Unem Strike Social	Pay Security Administration (SSA ) ben	nefits	MediCare dedu	action					

<b>&gt;</b>	Retirement / pension benefits
	General Assistance benefits
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits
	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits
	Women, Infants, and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC) benefits
	(1/20) solicing
	Loans that need to be repaid
	Loans that need to be repaid
	Cash gifts
	Cash ghts
A	Savings account balance
	One-time lump-sum payments, such as rebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.
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	Jury duty compensation
	Rental income
~	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)
	Income from work study programs
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	Alimony
	Child support
	•
	Interest, dividends, or royalties
	Commissions
	Legal settlements
	acgui struturus
	Insurance payments made directly to the insured
	insurance payments made directly to the insured
	Insurance payments made specifically for the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate
	insurance payments made specifically for the repayment of a bin, debt, or estimate
	Votagone Administration (VA) honefits
~	Veterans Administration (VA) benefits
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	Earned income of a child under the age of 18
	Balance of retirement, pension, or annuity accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.
	Income tax refunds
$ldsymbol{ld}}}}}}$	
	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

If any of the above question the fields provided,	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.					t be made in

# **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 Threshold		
1	All Household Sizes		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150	60.00%	
2.2 Do you have EATING ASSIT	additional eligibility requirements for H ANCE?	CYes	€ No			
2.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the p	olicies for	each.			
Do you require a	n Assets test ?	O Yes	<b>⊙</b> No			
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:					
Renters?	Renters? O Yes O No					
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing ?	O Yes	⊙ <sub>No</sub>			
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent ?	Oyes	⊙ <sub>No</sub>			
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:					
Elderly?		<b>⊙</b> Yes	C <sub>No</sub>			
Disabled?		• Yes	C <sub>No</sub>			
Young children?						
Household	s with high energy burdens ?	Oyes	⊙ <sub>No</sub>			
Other?		O Yes				
Explanations of	policies for each "yes" checked above:					
Ou		nt system. l	Each applicant with verified houusehold membe	rs that is Elder, disabled, or v	with	
2.4 Describe how	our point system, the vulernable population	ssistance to	ovulnerable populations,e.g., benefit amounts s (young childen,disabled,etc.) are given extra p			
2.5 Cheek the ve	riables you use to determine your benefit	lovels (Cl	hook all that apply).			
Income	riables you use to determine your benefit	ieveis. (Ci	еск ан шас арргу).			
	usehold) size					
	gy cost or need:					
	-					
	Climate/region					
☐ Climate/region  ✓ Individual bill						
	elling type					
	rgy burden (% of income spent on home	energy)				
Ene	rgy need	2.0				
Other - Describe:						

specific populationElderly- disabled- children 0-15					
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the	e fiscal year for which this pla	n applies			
Minimum Benefit	\$300	Maximum Benefit	\$600		
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, s	space heaters) and/or other fo	rms of benefits? • Yes • No			
If yes, describe.	•				
If funds are available, we purchase blankets, space heaters, etc. for applicants in need					
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 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE**

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Section 3 - Cooling Assistance						
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	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?		C Yes	€ No			
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing ?	O Yes	⊙ No			
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent ?	C Yes	⊙ <sub>No</sub>			
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:					
Elderly?		Yes	C <sub>No</sub>			
Disabled?		• Yes	C <sub>No</sub>			
Young children?						
Household	s with high energy burdens ?	C Yes	⊙ No			
Other?		C Yes	⊙ No			
Explanations of p	policies for each "yes" checked above:					
Ou oung child	r application process is worked up on a poin fren are awarded points.	nt system. l	Each applicant with verified household members	that is Elder, disabled, or with y		
3.4 Describe how	you prioritize the provision of cooling as	sistance to	ovulnerable populations,e.g., benefit amounts,	early application periods, etc.		
On efit amour		n applicant	s (young childen,disabled, etc.) are given extra p	oints to qualify and/or extend be		
Determination of	f Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(	c)(1)(B)				
3.5 Check the va	riables you use to determine your benefit	levels. (Cl	neck all that apply):			
<b>✓</b> Income						
Family (hor	usehold) size					
<b>✓</b> Home energy cost or need:						
✓ Fuel	<b>✓</b> Fuel type					
Climate/region						
Indi	✓ Individual bill					
Dwe	elling type					
Ener	rgy burden (% of income spent on home	energy)				
<b>✓</b> Ene	rgy need					
Other - Describe:						

Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)							
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for	r the fiscal year for which this pla	n applies					
Minimum Benefit	Minimum Benefit \$300 Maximum Benefit \$600						
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, a	ir conditioners) and/or other form	ns of benefits? • Yes O No					
If yes, describe.							
If funds are available, we purchase fans, airconditioners, etc. for applicants in need.							
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.				
	uations beyond applicants control.					
<ul><li>Loss of</li><li>vehicle</li><li>rapid ra</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Life threatening situations.</li> <li>Loss of wages with shut off notice.</li> <li>vehicle break down or repairs,</li> <li>rapid raise in utilities</li> <li>medical emergencies</li> </ul>					
4.3 What constitu	utes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u>					
Extreme	e hot or cold temperatures with a shut off notice. e weather incidents (ice storms, tornados, floods,etc.) l emergencies					
Crisis Requirem	ent, 2604(c)					
	nany hours do you provide an intervention that will nany hours do you provide an intervention that will					
Crisis Eligibility	, 2605(c)(1)(A)					
	additional eligibility requirements for CRISIS ASSI	ST Yes O No				
4.7 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the policies for e	ach				
Do you require a	nn Assets test ?	O Yes O No				
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to :					
Elderly?		• Yes O No				
Disabled?		• Yes O No				
Young Chi	ildren?	• Yes • No				
Household	s with high energy burdens?	O Yes O No				
Other?		O Yes O No				
In Order to rece	ive crisis assistance:					
Must the h empty tank?	ousehold have received a shut-off notice or have a no	ear G Yes C No				
Must the h	ousehold have been shut off or have an empty tank?	C Yes O No				
Must the h	ousehold have exhausted their regular heating benef	it? Oves Ono				

Must renters with heating costs included ed an eviction notice ?	d in their rent have receiv	C Yes		
Must heating/cooling be medically neces	ssary?	C Yes O No		
Must the household have non-working lent?	neating or cooling equipm	C Yes O No		
Other?		C Yes O No		
Do you have additional / differing eligibility p	olicies for:			
Renters?		C Yes O No		
Renters living in subsidized housing?		C Yes O No		
Renters with utilities included in the rea	nt?	C Yes ⊙ No		
Explanations of policies for each "yes" checks	ed above:			
	plicants applying for crisis as	abled, and households with young children are awarded extra points. Each a sistance must have proof of why their bill wasnt or couldn't be paid. Applicabination of regular and crisis benefits.		
Determination of Benefits				
4.8 How do you handle crisis situations?				
	Separate component			
✓	Fast Track			
	Other - Describe:			
4.9 If you have a separate component, how do	vou determine crisis assist	ance benefits?		
I Journal of Separate component, now us	Amount to resolve the cris			
	Other - Describe:			
	Other - Describe.			
Crisis Requirements, 2604(c)				
4.10 Do you accept applications for energy cri	isis assistance at sites that a	re geographically accessible to all households in the area to be served?		
C Yes • No Explain.				
we only have one site				
4.11 Do you provide individuals who are phys	ically disabled the means to	):		
Submit applications for crisis benefits with	out leaving their homes?			
• Yes O No If No, explain.				
Travel to the sites at which applications for	crisis assistance are accept	ed?		
C Yes • No If No, explain.				
If you answered "No" to both options in quesbled?	tion 4.11, please explain alt	ernative means of intake to those who are homebound or physically dis		
Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)				
4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for each ty		ed.		
	Winter Crisis \$600.00 maximum benefit			
Summer Crisis \$600.00 maximum benefit				
Year-round Crisis \$600.00 maximum benefit  4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space heaters, fans) and/or other forms of benefits?				
4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space heaters, fans) and/or other forms of benefits?  • Yes O No If yes, Describe				
- 100 m yes, postine				
Blankets, fans, space heaters, generators, air conditioners, airconditioner/heater repairs are supplimental benefits if funds are available.				
4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or replacement using crisis funds?				
⊙ Yes C No				
If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14, you must complete question 4.15.				
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below to indica	te type(s) of assistance pro-	rided.		
	Winter C Summer risis Crisis	Year-round Crisis		

Heating system repair	<		V	
Heating system replacement				
Cooling system repair		>	>	
Cooling system replacement				
Wood stove purchase				
Pellet stove purchase				
Solar panel(s)				
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups				
Other (Specify):				
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with e	nforce a moi	ratorium on	shut offs?	
C Yes © No				
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must	•	•		D. l'arta larian angle da manda ina ani al
4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and an	y special dis	pensation re	ceived by LIHEA	P clients during or after the moratorium period.
If any of the above questions requi		_		arification that could not be made in

### Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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# **Section 5: WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE** Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2 5.1 Designate the income eligibility threshold used for the Weatherization component Household Size Eligibility Threshold Eligibility Guideline 0.00% 5.2 Do you enter into an interagency agreement to have another government agency administer a WEATHERIZATION component? C Yes 5.3 If yes, name the agency. 5.4 Is there a separate monitoring protocol for weatherization? O Yes WEATHERIZATION - Types of Rules 5.5 Under what rules do you administer LIHEAP weatherization? (Check only one.) Entirely under LIHEAP (not DOE) rules Entirely under DOE WAP (not LIHEAP) rules Mostly under LIHEAP rules with the following DOE WAP rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules differ (Check all that apply): Income Threshold Weatherization of entire multi-family housing structure is permitted if at least 66% of units (50% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are eligib le units or will become eligible within 180 days Weatherize shelters temporarily housing primarily low income persons (excluding nursing homes, prisons, and similar institutional c are facilities). Other - Describe: Mostly under DOE WAP rules, with the following LIHEAP rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules differ (Check all that apply.) Income Threshold Weatherization not subject to DOE WAP maximum statewide average cost per dwelling unit. Weatherization measures are not subject to DOE Savings to Investment Ration (SIR ) standards. Other - Describe: Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5 5.6 Do you require an assets test? O Yes O No 5.7 Do you have additional/differing eligibility policies for : O Yes O No Renters living in subsidized housin O Yes O No 5.8 Do you give priority in eligibility to: Elderly? O Yes O No Disabled? O Yes O No O Yes O No Young Children? House holds with high energy burde O Yes O No ns? Other? O Yes O No

If you selected "Yes" for any of the options in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, ow.	you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field bel
Benefit Levels	
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP weatherization benefit/expenditu	rre per household? O Yes O No
5.10 If yes, what is the maximum? \$0	
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)	
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization measures do you provide? (Check	all 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 exp the fields provided, attach a document with said	lanation or clarification that could not be made in explanation here.

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# Section 6: Outreach, 2605(b)(3) - Assurance 3, 2605(c)(3)(A) 6.1 Select all outreach activities that you conduct that are designed to assure that eligible households are made aware of all LIHEAP assistance a 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): | Health fairs and/or informational conferences

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

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# Section 7: Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4 7.1 Describe how you will ensure that the LIHEAP program is coordinated with other programs available to low-income households (TANF, SS I, WAP, etc.). Joint application for multiple programs Intake referrals to/from other programs One - stop intake centers Other - Describe: Tribal housing and Tribal health clinics cooridination(phn's and chr's)

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# Section 8: Agency Designation, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6 (Required for state grantees and

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8.1 Hov	w would you categorize the primary respons	sibility of your St	tate agency?		
	Administration Agency				
	Commerce Agency				
	Community Services Agency				
	Energy / Environment Agency				
	Housing Agency				
	Welfare Agency				
	Other - Describe:				
8.3 Hov	w do you provide alternate outreach and int w do you provide alternate outreach and int w do you provide alternate outreach and int	ake for COOLIN	NG ASSISTANCE?		
8.5 LIH	IEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization
	ho determines client eligibility?	Ü			
8.5b W	ho processes benefit payments to gas and e vendors?				
8.5c wh	no processes benefit payments to bulk fuel s?				
8.5d W measur	ho performs installation of weatherization res?				
	y of your LIHEAP component te questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and,		•	ered by a state	agency, you must co
8.6 Wh	at is your process for selecting local adminis	stering agencies?	,		
8.7 Hov	w many local administering agencies do you	use?			
8.8 Hav	ve you changed any local administering ager	ncies in the last y	ear?		

C 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
	y of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

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# Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7 9.1 Do you make payments directly to home energy suppliers? **⊙** Yes **○** No Heating Yes ○ No Cooling • Yes O No Crisis Are there exceptions? Yes No If yes, Describe. 9.2 How do you notify the client of the amount of assistance paid? At the time of application, phone call, and a conformation letter is sent to applicant 9.3 How do you assure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the actual cost of the home energy and the amount of the payment? Applicants supply a current bill at the time of applying for assistance. The supplier bills our client before they apply and they bring a curre nt bill to be paid. The unpaid difference is the responsibility of the applicant. When the assistance is more than the bill the vendor puts a credit on t he next months bill. Propane receipiants get the price of propane from the propane company and they know what percentage their tank will hold. 9.4 How do you assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP assista Each applicant fills out the same application and follows the same procedurers. Everyone is treated the same before, during and after befif its are determined 9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible household If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take.

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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? Our LIHEAP funds are tracked in the MIP fund accounting software that the Ottawa Tribe uses for acconting software. The accounting sys tem also tracks refunds and obligations of funds. Crises, heating and cooling are all in one account. That account is direct funding. Audit Process 10.2. Is your LIHEAP program audited annually under the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A - 133? Yes No 10.3. Describe any audit findings rising to the level of material weakness or reportable condition cited in the A-133 audits, Grantee monitoring as sessments, inspector general reviews, or other government agency reviews of the LIHEAP agency from the most recently audited fiscal year. No Findings 🗹 Finding **Brief Summary** Resolved? Action Taken Type 10.4. Audits of Local Administering Agencies What types of annual audit requirements do you have in place for local administering agencies/district offices? Select all that apply. Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit in compliance with Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133 Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit (other than A-133) Local agencies/district offices' A-133 or other independent audits are reviewed by Grantee as part of compliance process. Grantee conducts fiscal and program monitoring of local agencies/district offices Compliance Monitoring 10.5. Describe the Grantee's strategies for monitoring compliance with the Grantee's and Federal LIHEAP policies and procedures: Select all th at apply Grantee employees: Internal program review V Departmental oversight ~ Secondary review of invoices and payments Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe: Local Administering Agencies / District Offices: On - site evaluation Annual program review Monitoring through central database Desk reviews Client File Testing / Sampling

Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
10.6 Explain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews.
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:	
11.2 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of this participation?  Open the program up to other federally recognized members who need assistance changed mile radious from 50 to 100 from Tribal office in Oklahoma.  change policy to only ane application a year. If approved for heating also approved for winter.(both in the company of the company o	in the same FY)
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 you	r LIHEAP funds?
Date	Event Description
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 he	aring(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?

none

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

Applicants that are denied have 10 days to appeal to the Tribal Chief or Liheap Director. If not resolved then at this time they can request a fair hearing.

12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

When we send out the benefit conformation letter. It explains if applicants are denied or fill they should of received more benefits they have e 10 days to contact the Tribal office to appeal.

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

Applicants have 10 days to appeal to the Tribal Chief or Liheap director. If not resolved then at this time they can request a fair he aring

12.7 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

Explained on the benefit conformation letter. Information of contact phone numbers and email addresses are provided.

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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?

Advocacy and counceling will be available to each applicant at face to face interview or telephone conformation. Applicants will be given weatherization information and/or door hangers with weatherization tips.

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

Liheap budget is revised after award letter is received. Once the award letter is received, the 5% is obligatred to purchase information mate rial.

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

Applicants will be provided advocacy and /or counceling at time of interview if they inquire.

may be help with a ulility company ,looking up weatherization on the internet or reffering a applicant to a hud rehab program.

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

most dont receive a direct benefit for assurance 16. but may receive advocacy or councelling to help reduce or stablize their home energy

13.5 How many households applied for these services? available to all

13.6 How many households received these services? all

# Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program ,2607A

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

	i to subilit ali application for	the leveraging incenti	ive program:	
C Yes O No				

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

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

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

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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: any upcoming Liheap training  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
Formal training on grantee policies and procedures  How often?  Annually  Biannually  As needed  Other - Describe: any upcoming Liheap training  Employees are provided with policy manual  Other-Describe:  b. Local Agencies:  Formal training conference  How often?  Annually  Biannually  As needed  Other - Describe:
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Annually Biannually Other - Describe: any upcoming Liheap training Employees are provided with policy manual Other-Describe:  b. Local Agencies:  Formal training conference How often? Annually Biannually As needed Other - Describe:
Biannually  As needed  Other - Describe: any upcoming Liheap training  Employees are provided with policy manual  Other-Describe:  b. Local Agencies:  Formal training conference  How often?  Annually  Biannually  As needed  Other - Describe:
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Annually Biannually As needed Other - Describe:
Biannually  As needed  Other - Describe:
As needed Other - Describe:
Other - Describe:
On-site training
How often?
Annually
Biannually
As needed
Other - Describe:
Employees are provided with policy manual
Other - Describe LIHEAP webinars
c. Vendors
Formal training conference
How often?
Annually
Biannually
As needed
Other - Describe:
Policies communicated through vendor agreements
Policies are outlined in a vendor manual

Other - Describe:	
15.2 Does your training program address fraud reporting and prevention?  • Yes  • No	
If any of the above questions require further explanation of the fields provided, attach a document with said explanatio	

# 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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		ļ	Section 17:	Program	In	tegrity, 260	05(b)(10)			
17.1	Fraud Reporting Mechanisms	S								
a. D	escribe all mechanisms availab	le to	the public for rep	orting cases of	f sus	pected waste, frau	ıd, and abuse. S	elect	t all that apply.	
	Online Fraud Reportin	g								
	Dedicated Fraud Repor	rting	Hotline							
[	Report directly to local	age	ncy/district office o	r Grantee offi	ice					
[	Report to State Inspect	or G	eneral or Attorney	General						
	Forms and procedures	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	ıdve	rtising the above-re	eferenced reso	urce	s. Select all that a	pply			
	Printed outreach mater	ials								
	✓ Addressed on LIHEAP	app	lication							
	Website									
	Other - Describe:									
17.2	. Identification Documentation	Rec	quirements							
a. Ir emb	ndicate which of the following f ers.	orm	s of identification a	are required o	r req	uested to be colle	cted from LIHI	EAP	applicants or the	eir household m
						Collected from	Whom?			
Тур	e of Identification Collected		Applicant O	nly		All Adults in H	lousehold		All Household	Members
	al Security Card is photocopi nd retained		Required			Required		>	Required	
			Requested			Requested			Requested	
	al Security Number (Without al Card)		Required			Required			Required	
			Requested			Requested			Requested	
card	ernment-issued identification l driver's license, state ID, Tri		Required		<b>&gt;</b>	Required			Required	
	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	Federal recognized tribal cards		<b>✓</b>							<b>&gt;</b>

b. Describe any exceptions to the above policies.
All household members may not be Tribal members . The applicant must provide a tribal card and it is requested for other member of the household.
ousenoid.
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)
Match SSN/Tribal ID number with tribal database or enrollment records (for tribal grantees only)
Other - 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
<b>✓</b> 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:
Grantee employees
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.
All vendors must supply a valid SSN or TIN/W-9 form
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
<b>V</b> Data exchange with utilities that verifies:
Data exchange with utilities that verifies:  Account ownership
Account ownership
Account ownership  Consumption
Account ownership  Consumption  Balances
Account ownership Consumption Balances Payment history
Account ownership  Consumption  Balances  Payment history  Account is properly credited with benefit
Account ownership  Consumption  Balances  Payment history  Account is properly credited with benefit  Other - Describe:
Account ownership  Consumption  Balances  Payment history  Account is properly credited with benefit  Other - Describe:  Centralized computer system/database tracks payments to all utilities
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
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
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
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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  Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only
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Clients are relied on for reports of non-delivery or partial delivery		
Two-party checks are issued naming client and vendor		
Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only		
Vendors are only paid once they provide a delivery receipt signed by the client		
Conduct monitoring of bulk fuel vendors		
Bulk fuel vendors are required to submit reports to the Grantee		
Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism		
Other - Describe:		
17.10. Investigations and Prosecutions		
Describe the Grantee's procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients/staff/vendors found to have committed fraud. Select all that apply.		
Refer to state Inspector General		
Refer to local prosecutor or state Attorney General		
Refer to US DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline)		
✓ Local agencies/district offices or Grantee conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public		
Grantee attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process		
Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? 1 year		
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)

13 South HWY 69a Miami Ok. Ottawa County 74354  * Address Line 1				
Address Line 2				
Address Line 3				
Miami * City	Oklahoma * State	74354 <b>* Zip Code</b>		

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

Assurances

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

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

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

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

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

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