### **LIHEAP Plan Review and Comment Availability Announcement**

As part of our annual plan submission to HHS for our LIHEAP formula funding, we have made the most recent plan available for review and comment on the website. We want membership to be aware of the program that is available to members who meet %150 of Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) or who are %60 of Michigan's median income. Please email comments, which are being accepted until Friday, August 29, 2025, at 4:00pm, to Janeen Codden, Family Services Director, janeencodden@lrboi-nsn.gov.

If you need assistance, you can contact Family Services at 231-398-6707.

#### DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Program Name: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Grantee Name: Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Report Name: DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)

Report Period: 10/01/2025 to 09/30/2026

Report Status: Saved

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- 4. Section 3 COOLING ASSISTANCE
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- 15. Section 14 Leveraging Incentive Program ,2607A
- 16. Section 15 Training
- 17. Section 16 Performance Goals and Measures, 2605(b)
- 18. Section 17 Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)
- 19. Section 18: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters
- 20. Section 19: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
- 21. Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying
- 22. Assurances
- 23. Plan Attachments

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

		* I.b. Frequency:  Annual	Plan/Fu	* I.c. Consolidated Application/ Plan/Funding Request? Explanation:		* I.d. Version:
			2. Date I	Received:		State Use Only:
			3. Applicant Identifier:		r:	
				4a. Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) K8EFN11DHKH3 4b. Federal Award Identifier:		5. Date Received By State:
			4b. Fede			6. State Application Identifier:
7. APPLICANT INF	ORMATION					
* a. Legal Name: Lit	tle River Band o	of Ottawa Indians		- 100-25-3		
* b. Address:		es in territoria	-		The state of the s	
* Street 1:	2608 GOVER	RNMENT CENTER DR	Street	t 2:		
* City:	MANISTEE		Coun	County:		
* State:	MI		Province:			
* Country:	United States	•	* Zip Code:	* Zip / Postal 49660 Code:		
c. Organizational	Unit:					
Department Name: Members Assistance			Division Name: Human Services			
		person to be contacted on matters in of Health and Human Services' LII				be listed on Notice of Funding
* First Name: Jancen			* Last Name; Codden			
Title: Family Services Dire	ector	***		ational Affilia		
* Telephone Number (231) 398-6684		-	Fax Number			
* Email: janeencodden@lrboi	-nsn.gov					
* 8. TYPE OF APPL I: Indian/Native Amer		ernment (Federally Recognized)				
* a. Is the applican	it a Tribal Cons	ortium: C Yes 6 No		***	-	
* b. If yes please at	tach at least on	e the following documentation:				
		Catalog of Federal Domes Assistance Number:	stic	CFDA Title:		
9. CFDA Numbers and	Titles	93.568	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program			
10. DESCRIPTIVE T LRBOI LIHEAP	TITLE OF APP	LICANT'S PROJECT:			- VII	
11. AREAS AFFECT Manistee, Mason, La		ING: ceana, Newaygo, Muskegon, Kent, Ott	tawa count	ies.		
12. CONGRESSION Michigan's 2nd Con						
13. FUNDING PERI	OD:		-1611100			
a. Start Date: 10/01/2025			b. End Date: 09/30/2026			
14. IS SUBMISSIO	N SUBJECT T	O REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EX	XECUTIV	E ORDER 1	2372 PROCES	SS?
a. This submission	was made avai	lable to the State under Executive O	rder 1237	2		

Process for review on:	
b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for re	eview.
c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.	
*15. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?  C YES  NO	
If Yes, explain:	
16. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the licomplete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)  **I Agree	assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may o specific instructions.	btain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency
17a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official	17c. Telephone (area code, number and extension)
	17d. Email Address
17b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	17c. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)

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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. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### **Section 1 Program Components**

Pro	gram Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)		
(No	Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. te: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in plan.)		Operation
		Start Date	End Date
<b>V</b>	Heating assistance	10/01/2025	09/30/2026
	Cooling assistance		
	Summer crisis assistance		
	Winter crisis assistance		
V	Year-round crisis assistance	10/01/2025	09/30/2026
Y	Weatherization assistance	10/01/2025	09/30/2026
Pro	vide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary		
Esti	mated Funding Allocation, 2604(C), 2605(k)(1), 2605(b)(9), 2605(b)(16) - Assurances 9 and 16		
	estimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: total of all percentages must add up to 100%.	Percentage ( % )	Prior year totals
11	eating assistance	30.00%	30.00%
С	ooling assistance	0.00%	10.00%
S	ummer crisis assistance	0.00%	35.00%
V	inter crisis assistance	0.00%	0.00%
Y	ear-round crisis assistance	45.00%	0.00%
V	eatherization assistance	15.00%	15.00%
C	arryover to the following federal fiscal year	0.00%	0.00%
A	dministrative and planning costs	10.00%	10.00%
S	ervices to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)	0.00%	0.00%
U	sed to develop and implement leveraging activities	0.00%	0.00%
тот	AL	100,00%	100.00%

Tribal grant recipients: direct-grant tribes, tribal organizations, or territories with allotments of \$20,000 or less may use for planning and administration up to 20% of the funds payable. Grant recipients that are direct grant tribes, tribal organizations, or territories with allotments over \$20,000 may use for planning and administration purposes up to 20% of the first \$20,000 (or \$4,000) plus 10% of the funds payable that exceeds \$20,000. Any administrative costs in excess of these limits must be paid from non-federal sources.

Alte	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		Cooling assistance		nnce		
	7-7-	Weatherization assista	nce	Other (specify:) Not applicable			:) Not applicable	
Cate	gorical Eligibility, 2605(1	b)(2)(A) - Assurance 2. 2	2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)	(8A) - Assurance 8				
1.4 [	o you consider househol	ds categorically eligible			least one	of the follow	ing categories of benefits	
	e left column below? 🕝							
If yo	u answered "Yes" to que	estion 1.4, you must com	The state of the s					
	Heating Cooling Crisis Weatherization  TANF C Yes © No C Yes © No © Yes C No							
TAN			C Yes © No	C Yes © No			€ Yes C No	
SSI		- Wi - Wi - Wi	C Yes @ No	C Yes © No	€ Yes		F Yes C No	
SNAI	): 		C Yes & No	C Yes @ No	€ Yes		C Yes & No	
Mean	s-tested Veterans Program	s	C Yes & No	C Yes & No	CYes	€ No	C Yes 6 No	
need	a. Provide your definition to receive the benefits of cation process.  LRBOI defines program.		ere a data exchange in	place?) and how categ	orical eli	gibility stream	mlines the LIHFAP	
1.5 D	o you automatically enre	oll households without a	direct annual applica	tion? C Yes & No				
-	s, explain:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		- 40			
1.6 How do you ensure there is no difference in the treatment of categorically eligible households from those not receiving other public assistance when determining eligibility and benefit amounts?  Benefit levels and payments are consistent for all households, which ensures consistency regardless of public assistance status. LRBOI uses a benefit matrix that evaluates household size and monthly countable income, and makes program requirements available to applicants. Applicants are reviewed for prior assistance to access changes in household make-up and utility vendor. LRBOI has an appeal process for denials to ensure fairness.								
CNA	P Nominal Payments	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
_	Do you allocate LIHEAP	Funds toward a nomine	I navment for SNAP	households? C Ver G	No			
_	u answered "Yes" to que		AL .					
-	Amount of Nominal Assi							
1.7c	Frequency of Assistance	**	16.550°					
	Once Per Year	-		***				
	Once every five years		(V. W.)					
	Other - Describe:	*						
				• The second				
1.7d	How do you confirm that	t the household receivin	g a nominal payment	has an energy cost or n	ieed?			
Determination of Eligibility - Countable Income								
1.8. [	n determining a househo	old's income eligibility fo	or LIHEAP, do you us	e gross income or net i	ncome?			
V	Gross Income							
	Net Income		***	<del></del>	Nill to B	AURAI .		
	Other - Describe							
105	alast all the applicable 6	orms of countable inco-	a used to determine	household's income -	iaibilie. f	or I HIF A D		
	elect all the applicable for Wages	o. 143 of contrastic meon	to ware to determine a	monacuota a tuconte el	Southly 1	or Lanear		
Y	0.0000							
V	Self - Employment Income							

V	Contract Income							
<b>Y</b>	Payments from mortgage or Sales Contracts							
V	Unemployment insurance							
V	Strike Pay							
V	Social Security Administration (SSA ) benefits							
	Including MediCare deduction deduction							
V	Supplemental Security Income (SSI )							
V	Retirement / pension benefits							
V	General Assistance benefits							
V	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits							
	Loans that need to be repaid							
V	Cash gifts							
	Savings account balance							
V	One-time lump-sum payments, such as rebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.							
	Jury duty compensation							
V	Rental income							
V	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)							
V	Income from work study programs							
~	Alimony							
	Child support							
V	Interest, dividends, or royalties							
V	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							
V	Earned income of a child under the age of 18							
	Balance of retirement, pension, or annuity accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.							
	Income tax refunds							

	Stipends from senior companion programs, such as VISTA
	Funds received by household for the care of a foster child
	Ameri-Corp Program payments for living allowances, earnings, and in-kind aid
	Reimbursements (for mileage, gas, lodging, meals, etc.)
V	Other
V	LRBOI per capita payments generated from gaming revenues that are distributed in accordance with an DOI approved revenue allocation plan. This does not include revenues held in trust by the Secretary of Interior, or funds distributed under the General Welfare Exclusion Act.
	ny of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.
1.10	Do you have an online application process & Yes & No
1.1	0a If yes, describe the type of online application (Select all boxes that apply)
V	A PDF version of the application is available online and can be downloaded, filled out and mailed in for processing.
	A state-wide online application that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.
	One or more locally available online applications that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing.
	Online application that is also mobile friendly
V	Other, please describe
	Applications are available in our local tribal offices in Manistee and Muskegon counties, and can be sent to applicants via email or USPS.
Pleas	e include a link(s) to a statewide application, if available:
1.10b	Can all program components be applied for online? • Yes No
If no.	explain which components can and cannot be applied for online.
1.11	Do you have a process for conducting and completing applications by phone 6 Yes 6 No
1.12	Do you or any of your subrecipients require in person appointments in order to apply C Yes 6 No
If yes	, please provide more information regarding why in-person appointments are required and in what circumstances they are required.
1.13 1	low can applicants submit documentation for verification? Select all that apply:
Y	In-person
V	Mail
V	Email
	Portal application
V	Other, please describe
	Applicants working with LRBOI Family Services may provide proofs to that department with an accompanying application
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	Section	on 2 - l	Heating Assistance	
Eligibility, 2605(	b)(2) - Assurance 2			
2.1 Designate the	income eligibility threshold used for the	e heating c	omponent:	
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold
1	All Household Sizes		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%
2.2 Do you have Heating Assistan	additional eligibility requirements for ice?	∩ Yes	€ No	
2.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the	-		
Do you require a	n Assets test?	CYes	€ No	
If yes, describe:				
	itional/differing eligibility policies for:	Τ.		
Renters?		CYes	No No	
If yes, describe:	A			
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing?	CYes	€ No	
If yes, describe:			. 110	
N/A	A			
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent?	CYes	€ No	
lf yes, describe:				
N/A	Α			
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:			
Older Adu	lts (60 years or older)?	© Yes	CNo	
if yes, describe:	10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-1			
	BOI Tribal elders begin at age 55, and the and applicants are identified for priority pro		older adult status under this	
Individuals	s with a disability?	e Yes	CNo	
ſ yes, describe:				
	BOI members that have a medically determined SSA are identified for priority process		bility, or meet the definition of	
Young chil	dren?	@ Yes	CNo	
f yes, describe:				Nr9329
	BOI members who have children under 6 this are given priority processing status.	years of ag	e are given priority status and	
Household	s with high energy burdens?	€ Yes	CNo	
f yes, describe:	****			
	BOI members who utilize electricity as the priority processing status.	eir primary	energy source for heating purposes	
Other?		Cyes	CNo	

If yes, describe:			
N/A			
Explanations of policies for each "yes" che	ecked above:		
		der six (6) years of age and households with hi ne resources compared to total household expe	
Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assi	urance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)		
2.4 Describe how you prioritize the provisi etc.	on of heating assistance to v	ulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amoun	ts, early application periods,
Initial review of vulnerable po		ntify crisis situations may receive maximum be eiwed and determinations regarding benefit ar	
2.5 Check the variables you use to determi	ne your benefit levels. (Check	k all that apply):	
Income .			
Family (household) size			
Home energy cost or need:			
Fuel type			
Climate/region			
Individual bill			
☐ Dwelling type			
Energy burden (% of income	spent on home energy)		
Energy need			
Other - Describe:			
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 26	6 <b>05</b> (c)(1)(B)		
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for the shown in the payment matrix.	e fiscal year for which this pl	an applies. Please note: the maximum and n	ninimum benefits must be
Minimum Benefit	SI	Maximum Benefit	\$1,800
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets,	space heaters) and/or other f	forms of benefits?2 C Yes & No	
If yes, describe.			
N/A			
If any of the above questions the fields provided, attach a c		clanation or clarification that explanation here.	could not be made in

### Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE

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

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	MODEL PLAN							
	Section	on 3 - (	Cooling Assistance					
Eligibility, 2605(	c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2							
3.1 Designate Th	e income eligibility threshold used for th	e Cooling	component:					
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold				
1	All Household Sizes		HHS Poverty Guidelines	150.00%				
3.2 Do you have Cooling assistan	additional eligibility requirements for ce?	CYes	€ No					
3.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the p	policies for	cach.					
Do you require a	n Assets test?	CYes	€ No					
If yes, describe: N/	۸							
Do you have add	itional/differing eligibility policies for:							
Renters?		CYes	€ No					
If yes, describe:	A							
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing?	CYes	€ No					
If yes, describe:			-					
N/	A							
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent?	CYes	€ No					
If yes, describe:								
N/.	Α	201						
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:							
Older Adu	lts (60 years or older)?	∩ Yes	€ No					
If yes, describe:	- "							
N/a	A							
Individual	with a disability?	C Yes	€ No					
If yes, describe:								
N/A	Α							
Young chil	Young children? C Yes © No							
If yes, describe:			-	-				
N/A	Α							
Household	s with high energy burdens?	C Yes	€ No					
If yes, describe:								
N/A	4							
Other?		CYes	€ No					
If yes, describe:								

N/A			
Explanations of policies for each "yes" ch	ecked above:		
N/A			
3.4 Describe how you prioritize the provise	on of cooling assistance to vu	Inerable populations, e.g., benefit amount	s, early application periods,
N/A			
Determination of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Ass	urance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)		
3.5 Check the variables you use to determine	ne your benefit levels. (Check	all that apply):	
Income			
Family (household) size			
Home energy cost or need:			
Fuel type			
Climate/region			***
✓ Individual bill	***	<u> </u>	
Dwelling type			***
Energy burden (% of income	spent on home energy)		
Energy need			
Other - Describe:			
N/A			
Benefit Levels, 2605(h)(5) - Assurance 5, 2	605(c)(1)(B)		
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for th shown in the payment matrix.	e fiscal year for which this pla	n applies. Please note: the maximum and m	inimum benefits must be
Minimum Benefit	\$0	Maximum Benefit	\$0
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air c	onditioners) and/or other form	us of benefits? C Yes C No	
If yes, describe.	·	*	
N/A			
If any of the above questions the fields provided, attach a c			could not be made in

### Section 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE

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

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Add Household size Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Th  All Household Sizes HHS Poverty Guidelines  4.2 Provide your LHEAP program's definition for determining a crisis. If you administer multiple crisis assistance programs (wint and/or year-round), Include all program definitions.  LRBOI defines a crisis as an energy related need that may impact the health and/or safety of a household. Eligibility for ene crisis is based on the household's demonstration of an immediate need for assistance with home heating fuel, electricity, energy relater repairs or medically necessary energy service. Crisis means one (or more) of the following:  An individual or household has a past-due or shut off notice on an energy bill for his/her household.  Residential fuel tank is less than 25% of it's capacity, or fuel tank over 25% has been locked by the provideer and payment on according to the threat.  Individual or household has a stated need for a non-traditional fuel source (wood, corn, cherry pits, wood pellets).  Individual or household has received notice that prepayment on account is below \$100.00.  Notice from a licensed service provider that the homeowners furnace is inoperable and in need of repair.	de la
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LRBOI defines a life-threatening energy crisis as:	
<ul> <li>The household has experienced a disconnect of gas electric service, run out of propane or non-traditional heating source, or has a from a licensed provider that the funnace is inoperable or needs replacement.</li> <li>Service restoration is medically necessary for in-home medical equipment.</li> <li>The household does not have a temporary housing option while the emergency is resolved.</li> <li>The household is not protected under the MI Winter Protection Plan.</li> <li>The household has a precipitating factor that required the household choose between paying the energy bill over another vital neefood, medical expenses or clothing for children in the household.</li> </ul>	
Crisis Requirement, 2604(c)	
1.4 Within how many hours do you provide an intervention that will resolve the energy crisis for eligible households? 18Hours	
1.5 Within how many hours do you provide an intervention that will resolve the energy crisis for eligible households in life-threaten ituations? 18Hours	ing
Crisis Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A)	
Winter Summer Crisis Crisis	Year-Round Crisis
1.6 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for Crisis Assistance?	⊻
Do you require an Assets test?	<u> </u>
Oo you give priority in eligibility to:  Older Adults (60 years or older)?	

		CONTRACTOR AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE P	NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.	POTE TO THE POTE T				
Individuals with a disability?								
Young Childre	n?			~				
Households with high energy burdens?								
Other (Specify):								
In Order to receive o	risis assistance:							
Must the house	chold have received a shut-off notice or have a near empty tank?			V				
Must the household have been shut off or have an empty tank?								
Must the house	chold have exhausted their regular heating benefit?			V				
Must renters w	ith heating costs included in their rent have received an eviction notice?							
Must heating/c	ooling be medically necessary?			V				
Must the house	hold have non-working heating or cooling equipment?			V				
Other (Specify								
Do you have addition	al/differing eligibility policies for:							
Renters?								
Renters living	n subsidized housing?							
Renters with u	tilities included in the rent?							
Explanations of police	ies for each "yes" checked above:							
N/A								
Determination of Be	nefits							
4.8 How do you hand	lle crisis situations?							
<b>V</b>								
	Benefit Fast Track, no separate amount of crisis funds is issued. Rather benefits are issued to crisis customers within crisis response time frames.							
	Other - Describe:							
	N/A							
4.9 If you have a sep	trate component, how do you determine crisis assistance benefits?							
	Amount to resolve the crisis. \$0		ĺ					
Other - Describe:  Applicants for crisis assistance must show current need for assitance based on past-due/shut-off notices. Once need is established, payment may be made up to the fiscal year maximum, which could result in a credit balance on the energy account, funding permitted.								
Crisis Requirements,	7604(c)		***					
W 1991	oplications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographically accessible	to all househol	ds in the area t	o be served?				
€ Yes C No E	xplain.							
delivered to M	has offices in Manistee and Muskegon counties, and applications may be completed embers Services directly.  also works with social service entities to provide applications for enrolled members							
4.11 De unu mundo	and the state of t	37-11-035						
	individuals who are individuals with a disability the means to:  Is for crisis benefits without leaving their homes?							
G Yes C No	and actions where the title manage.	N. Comments						
If No, explain.		**		-				
N/A	Section 1							
Travel to the sites	at which applications for crisis assistance are accepted?		_					
F Yes C No		***						
If No, explain.								

N/A			- 10 N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	
If you answered "No" to both options in question	4.11, please	explain alte	native means of intake to those w	ho are homebound or physically
disabled?				
N/A				
Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)				
4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for each type of	f crisis assis	tance offere	d.	
Winter Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit				
Summer Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit			**	
Year-round Crisis \$1,800.00 maximum ben				
4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space h	leaters, lans	and/or oth	er forms of benefits?	
C Yes C No If yes, Describe				
N/A				
4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or repla	cement usin	g crisis fund	ls?	
€ Yes C No				
If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14, you must	complete qu	estion 4.15.		
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below to indicate ty	pe(s) of assis	tance provi	ded.	
	Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-round Crisis	-
Heating system repair			<b>V</b>	
Heating system replacement			Y	
Cooling system repair			V	
Cooling system replacement			V	
Wood stove purchase			V	
Pellet stove purchase			V	
Solar panel(s)				
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups				
Other (Specify):				\\
N/A				
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with e	nforce a moi	ratorium on	shut offs?	
F Yes C 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 an	y special dis	pensation re	ceived by LIHEAP clients during	or after the moratorium period.
State of Michigan Disconnect Policy, p municipality owned electric utility, or coopera notice with the MI Public Service Commission electric utility or cooperative electric utility th SHUT OFF SERVICE to any residential cust	ntive eletric un n by July 1. nat elects to N	tility may ele Notwithstand OT collect a	ect to not collect low-income energy ling any other provision of the act, low-income energy assistance fund	y assistance funding by annually filing a an electric utility, municipally owned ding under this section SHALL NOT

Winter protection policy: Elderly sixty-five (65) or older, recipients of Medicaid, Food Stamps or Department of Human Services cash assistance, full-time active military personnel or persons needing critical care or having a certified medical emergency. Households with income less than one hundred fifty (150) percent of the federal poverty guidelines must be in a payment plan.

Disconnection delay of twenty one (21) days with medical certificate if health of household member would be adversely impacted.

Certification of medical condition may be renewed another forty-two (42) days, and date for utility bills extended twenty-two (22) days. Year round shut off protection is available to all residents regardless of income with initial down payment of ten (10) percent of a customer's total bill on monthly budget plan. Customers called to full-time active military servcie during declared national or state emergency or war, may apply for shut off protection for nintey (90) days, and may request extensions by reapplying.

Deferred payments: Low-income customers must make monthly payments of at least seven (7) percent of thier estimated annual bill along with a portion of any past due amount. November 1 through March 31. Consumers Energy, DTF Energy and Cherryland Electric observe the MI Disconnect policy. Propane vendors do not, but will work with our program to ensure households have heating if obligations are made to pay part or all of the balance due.

There are no special dispensation received by LIHEAP clients.

4.18 If you experience a natural disaster, do you intend to utilize LIHEAP crisis funds to address disaster related crisis situations? • Yes No

If yes, describe

Crisis funds would be used to assist those affected by the natural disaster based on funds available to restore service, replace damaged equipment or purchase interim energy generating equipment for households with medically necessary energy needs.

### Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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Section	Section 5: WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE					
Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assur	rance 2					
5.1 Designate the income eligibility thresho	ld used for the Weather	rization component				
Add Househo	ld Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold			
I All Household Sizes		State Median Income	60.00%			
5.2 Do you enter into an interagency agreer No	nent to have another go	wernment agency administer a WEAT	HERIZATION component? C Yes 6			
5.3 If yes, name the agency and attach a co	y of the Internal Agree	ement or Contract.				
5.4 Is there a separate monitoring protocol	for weatherization? 🤇	Yes 6 No				
	***					
WEATHERIZATION - Types of Rules	HEAD	(Charles and Sans)				
5.5 Under what rules do you administer LI		(Cneck only one.)				
Entirely under LIHEAP (not DOE) r	ules					
Entirely under DOE WAP (not LIHE	AP) 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- eligible units or will become eligible within		re is permitted if at least 66% of units (	50% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are			
Weatherize shelters temporaril care facilities).	y housing primarily lov	v income persons (excluding nursing h	omes, prisons, and similar institutional			
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 E	OOE WAP maximum st	atewide average cost per dwelling unit.				
		ngs to Investment Ration (SIR ) standa	1000			
Other - Describe:	or subject to DOD Save	ngs to investment ration (SIR ) standa				
Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5						
5.6 Do you require an assets test?	G Yes C No					
5.7 Do you have additional/differing eligibil						
Renters	F Yes C No					
Renters living in subsidized housing?	Renters living in subsidized F Yes No					
Renters with utilities included in the rent?	Renters with utilities included in the C Yes C No					
5.8 Do you give priority in eligibility to:						
Older Adults?	FYes CNo					
Individuals with a disability?	G Yes C No					
Young Children?	FYes CNo					
House holds with high energy	€ Yes C No					

Other?	C Yes PNo				
If you selected "Yes" for any of the options in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field below.					
LIHEAP priority assistance is given to elderly fifty-five (55) and older, single parent households with children under six (6) years of age, and individuals or households with medical conditions.					
Renters: Weather requirements and where;	Renters: Weatherization agencies may weatherize a building containg rental dwelling units wherein occupants meet income eligibility requirements and where;				
<ul> <li>Written permission of the owner or authorized agent is given, and</li> <li>An agreement is signed by both parties, owner/agent and tenant witnessed by the Weatherization agency, that the tenant will not be subject to rent increases or eviction for a period of not less than eighteen (18) months.</li> <li>The weatherization work shall not enhance the value of the dwelling units.</li> </ul>					
Benefit Levels					
5.9 Do you have a maximum LI	HEAP weatherization benefit/e	xpenditure per household? © Yes C No			
5.9a If yes, what is the maxin					
5.10 Do you use an Average Co	st per Unit (ACPU). C Yes 6	No			
5.10a If so, what is the ACPU	Jamount? S0	10			
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1),	(R) & (D)				
ALCOHOL STATE OF THE STATE OF T		(Check all categories that apply.)			
Weatherization needs as		✓ 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		<b>✓</b> Doors			
Cooling system modifica	ations/repairs	<b>✓</b> Water Heater			
Water conservation mea	sures	✓ Cooling system replacement			
Roof top solar		Community solar projects			
Compact florescent light	f bulbs	Other - Describe:			
		er explanation or clarification that could not be made in a said explanation here.			

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### LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 6: Outreach, 2605(b)(3) - Assurance 3, 2605(c)(3)(A) 6.1 Select all outreach activities that you conduct that are designed to assure that eligible households are made aware of all LIHEAP assistance available: Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc. Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements. Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance. Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients. 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. ✓ Web Posting Email Texting **✓** Events Social Media Other (specify): LRBOI holds bi-annual member meetings, and Members Assistance has LIHEAP information available describing program benefits, and takes on-site applications. Members Assistance also publishes information in the LRBOI Currents newsmedia, and places information on the LRBOI website. 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 7 - Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4

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	Section 8: Agency Designation, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6 (Required for state Grant recipients and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico)				
8.1 Ho	w would you categorize the primary respons	sibility of your State ag	ency?		
	Administration Agency			·	
	Commerce Agency	**************************************		···	
	Community Services Agency	· .		**	
	Energy/Environment Agency		***************************************		-
	Housing Agency				
	State Department of Welfare (administers	TANF, SNAP, and/or	Medicaid)		
	Economic Development Agency				
	Other - Describe:		11(2)		
	e current list of subrecipient name, main off umber. <i>Used for Near hotline and OCS Servi</i> o			per, county(s) served, Co	ngressional District, and
If you	Alternate Outreach and Intake, 2605(b)(15) - Assurance 15  If you selected "State Department of Welfare (administers TANF, SNAP, and/or Medicaid)" in question 8.1, you must complete questions 8.2, 8.				
	3, and 8.4, as applicable.  8.2 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for heating assistance?				
8.3 Ho	8.3 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for cooling assistance?>				
8.4 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for crisis assistance?					
8.5 LII	TEAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization
8.5a W	ho determines client eligibility?				***************************************
	ho processes benefit payments to gas and evendors?				
8.5c wi vendor	no processes benefit payments to bulk fuel s?				
8.5d W measu	ho performs installation of weatherization res?				
Inch	Include a current list of subrecipient(s) name, main office address (do not list P.O. Box), phone				

num	ber, county(s) served, Congressional District, and UEI number.
	of your LIHEAP components are not centrally-administered by a state agency, you must complete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and, if able, 8.9.
8.6 W	hat is your process for selecting local administering agencies?
8.7 Ho	ow many local administering agencies do you use?
8.8 Ha	
8.9 If s	so, why?
	Agency was in noncompliance with Grant recipient requirements for LIHEAP -
	Agency is under criminal investigation
	Added agency
	Agency closed
	Other - describe
8.10 I No	f a subrecipient is no longer providing LIHEAP, are you aware of prior-year LIHEAP funds being mismanaged or misspent? C Yes
8.10	a If yes, please explain.
8.10 Weath	b If you are aware, were other federal programs impacted such as CSBG, SSBG, Head Start, TANF, and Department of Energy erization funding, etc. C Yes C No
8.10	c If yes, please explain.
8.10 8.10 Weath 8.10	b If you are aware, were other federal programs impacted such as CSBG, SSBG, Head Start, TANF, and Department of Energy serization funding, etc. Yes No

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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 funds?

LRBOI LIHEAP adheres to the fiscal controls and accounting procedures that have been established by the LRBOI Tribal government, the OMB A-133 circular and Generally Accepted Accounting Practices (GAAP) measures.

Members Assistance as the LHIEAP administration agency for LRBOI monitors expenses by reviewing obligations and expenditures through the revenue and expense reports, and by a spreadsheet that identifies beneficiaries, obligated amounts, payment and vendors.

The accounting system (MIP) is set up to reflect the award amounts, time frame for expenditures in the granting period, and calculates a percent spend for tracking to ensure fiscal utilization is consistent with the grant period. The revenue and expense reports detail amount expended, program sub account code, recipient tribal ID, vendor and the account number.

Vendors must be registered with LRBOI's purchasing department, via W-9 tax identification information to be eligible for payment,

Quarterly reports are provided to the agency, demonstrating the obligated funding and cumulative spend totals. All funds are obligated by fiscal year program with an assigned fund number, and expenditures are made under program guidance identifying administrative costs, carry-over (as applicable), as well as un-obligated amounts.

In program tracking via the MIP accounts system, vendor refunds are re-obligated (credited) back to the sub award category for LHEAP, and re-obligated to new applicants beneficiaries throughout the grant cycle.

Members Assistance reviews revenues and expenditure reports weekly and maintains records of obligations in the benficiaries files.

#### 10.1a Provide your definitions of the following:

#### Obligation

Obligations are funds set aside or committed for a specific use. In this program, funds are obligated by percentage for each area of use (heating, year round crisis, weatherization and administrative costs) up to 100% of the total award, and the use is defined in writing. Funds obligated for a specific use cannot be used for something else unless they are reallocated for that use. LRBOI establishes obligations by.

- · Approval letters to clients/notice to vendors.
- Purchase orders and check requests for LIHEAP expenditures.
- · Signed contracts with vendors for work to be performed, including specific amounts for certain work and completion of work
- Payments recorded in the program General Ledger, revenue and expense sheets.

#### Expenditures

Expenditures are the payment of funds, processed and approved for the purpose defined. Expenditures include payments to vendors, operational administrative costs, contracted work, employee salaries, and are accounted for in the fiscal record system (revenue and expense reports).

#### Expenditure timeframe

An expenditure timeframe is the specified period in which available funds can be obligated for a specific purpose. The LIHEAP grant award documents specify a grant period from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, and all funds must be obligated, expensed and accounted (paid out) by that date

#### Administrative costs

Administrative costs are those costs associated with the managment of the program. LRBOI uses administrative costs to pay employee salaries, benefits and supplies necessary to run the LIHEAP program

#### Audit Process

10.2. Is your LIHEAP program audited annually under the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A - 133?
\$\overline{\cap{C}}\$ Yes
\$\overline{\cap{C}}\$ No

10.2a - If yes, describe your auditor selection process.

	LRBOI seeks bids from	nindependent auditing firms licensed	to perform the duties, and awards	a contract for a period of up to three years
		the grant recipient (i.e. State/Tribe/ general reviews, or other governmen		material weakness or reportable condition t recently audited fiscal year.
No Findings				
Finding	Туре	Brief Summary	Resolved?	Action Taken
1				
10.4. Audits of	Local Administering	Agencies		•
What types of Select all that		nents do you have in place for local	administering agencies/district	offices?
l.ocs	l agencies/district offi	ces are required to have an annual	audit in compliance with Single	Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133
Loca	l agencies/district offi	ces are required to have an annual	audit (other than A-133)	
Loca	l agencies/district offi	ces' A-133 or other independent au	lits are reviewed by Grant recip	pient as part of compliance process.
<b>✓</b> Grat	nt recipient conducts f	iscal and program monitoring of lo	cal agencies/district offices	
		-		ingle Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133
Compliance N	lonitoring			
10.5. Describe	your monitoring pro	ess for compliance at each level bel	ow. Check all that apply.	***
Grant recipies	its have a policy in pla	ce for appropriate separation of du	ties and internal controls.	
✓ Inter	nal program review			
<b>✓</b> Depa	rtmental oversight			
✓ Seco	ndary review of invoice	es and payments		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Othe	r program review me	chanisms are in place. Describe:		
	N/A			
Local Adminis	stering Agencies/Distr	ict Offices:	10.10	
On-	site evaluation			
Anni	ıal program review		***	
☐ Mon	itoring through centr	ıl database		
☐ Desk	reviews			
Clier	t File Testing/Sampli	ng		
Othe	r program review me	chanisms are in place. Describe:	in and a second	
	N/A			
10.6 Explain, o	r attach a copy of you	r local agency monitoring schedule	and protocol.	
	N/A			
10.7. Describe	how you select local a	gencies for monitoring reviews. Att	ach a risk assessment if subreci	pients are utilized.
Site Visits:				
	N/A	20	44	
Desk Revie	ws:			
	N/A			
10.8. How ofter Annually	n is each local agency	monitored? Please attach a monitor	ing schedule if one has been dev	eloped.

10.9. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans? 0

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

12.1 How many fair hearings did the Grant recipient have in the prior federal Fiscal Year? 0

12.2 How many of those fair hearings resulted in the initial decision being reversed? N/A

12.3 Describe any policy and/or procedural changes made in the last federal Fiscal Year as a result of fair hearings?

N/A

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

The LRBOI LIHEAP appeals process includes the following steps:

- An initial review of redetermination is made at the administrative level. If the determination is upheld, the benficiary requests an appeal.
- Review of the appeal by the Members Assistance Director, a caseworker not involved with the determination, and a representative of the Ogema's office (Tribal Manager/Lead Staff).
- All materials related to the determination are reviewed, including program eligibility and award criteria.
- · Interviews are conducted with the beneficiary and the benefit administrator/determination staff
- . The panel must reach consensus of 2/3 on the determination, and issue a written determination within 14 days.
- . The determination is sent to the beneficiary and a copy is kept in the benficiary file.
- Determinations by the review panel that overturn the Members Assistance administrative decision must be put in writing and the funds are obligated for payment.
- Beneficiaries have the right to appeal denials by the review panel to the Ogema and Tribal Council for final disposition. If that step is taken, the determination is in writing and final.
- Determinations by the Ogema/Tribal Council that overturn a denial, are sent in writing to the Members Assitance department and obligated for payment, with copies to the beneficiary of the same.
- Determinations that uphold a denial are sent in writing to the Members Assitance department, copied to the benficiary and kept in the beneficiary record.

A denail determination or an appeal does not prohibit the beneficiairy from subsequent benefits or re-application to the program should there be a change in primary circumstances impacting the individual or the household.

12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

Applicants are informed of these rights at the time of application, at the time of denial of services and upon request.

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### LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP)

# **MODEL PLAN** Section 13: Reduction of home energy needs, 2605(b)(16) - Assurance 16 13.1 Describe how you use LIHEAP funds to provide services that encourage and enable households to reduce their home energy needs and thereby the need for energy assistance? NA 13.2 How do you ensure that you don't use more than 5% of your LIHEAP funds for these activities? NA 13.3 Describe the impact of such activities on the number of households served in the previous federal Fiscal Year. NA 13.4 Describe the level of direct benefits provided to those households in the previous federal Fiscal Year. NA

13.5 How many households received these services? n/a

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## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN

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

14.1 Do you plan to submit an application for the leveraging incentive program? • Yes  $\bigcap$  No

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

LRBOI maintains fiscal records of funds directly paid by LRBOI resources to supplant LIHEAP funded scopes of work.

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 he integrated and coordinated with LIHEAP?
1	I.RBOI Members Assistance program components; Low- Income Energy Assistance program and Home Repair.	LRBOI generated Tribal revenues.	The funds will be integrated into payment for energy conservation, weatherization and utility needs.

### Section 15 - Training

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## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP)

MODEL PLAN	
Section 15: Training	
15.1 Describe the training you provide for each of the following groups:	
a. Grant recipient Staff:	
Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
✓ As needed	
Other, describe:	
Employees are provided with policy manual	
Other, describe:	
As funding permits, Members Assistance administrative staff and employees are permitted to attend regional LIHEAP conferences and consultations, national conferences and webmars.	
b. Local Agencies:	,
Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe:	
On-site training	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe:	
Employees are provided with policy manual	
Other, describe:	
c. Vendors	
Formal training conference	
How often?	
Annually	
Biannually	
As needed	
Other, describe:	
Policies communicated through vendor agreements	

	Policies are outlined in a vendor manual  Other, describe:
	Policies are explained in phone conferences with providers and written vendor notifications.
6 Yes	

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

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

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## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN

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

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

NA

#### Section 17 - Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)

August 1987, revised 05/92, 02/95, 03/96, 12/98, 11/01 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OMB Clearance No.: 0970-013 ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Expiration Date: 02/28/2027 LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 17: Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10) 17.1 Fraud Reporting Mechanisms a. Describe all mechanisms available to the public for reporting cases of suspected waste, fraud, and abuse. Select all that apply. **Online Fraud Reporting Dedicated Fraud Reporting Hotline** V Report directly to local agency/district office or Grant recipient office Report to State Inspector General or Attorney General Forms and procedures in place for local agencies/district offices and vendors to report fraud, waste, and abuse V Other - Describe: LRBOI Whistleblower policy requires that fraud and abuse be reported and investigations are conducted by the Tribal prosecutor. b. Describe strategies in place for advertising the above-referenced resources. Select all that apply Printed outreach materials Posted in local administering agencies offices. 4 Addressed on LIHEAP application Website Other - Describe: 17.2. Identification Documentation Requirements a. Indicate which of the following forms of identification are required or requested to be collected from LiHEAP applicants or their household Collected from Whom? Type of Identification Collected Applicant Only All Adults in Household All Household Members Required Required Required Social Security Card is V photocopied and retained Requested Requested Requested Required Required Required Social Security Number (Without V actual Card) Requested Requested Requested Required Required Required Government-issued identification V (i.e.: driver's license, state ID, Tribal ID, passport, etc.) Requested Requested Requested

All Adults in

All Adults in

Household

All Household

All Household

Applicant Only

Requested

Applicant Only

Other

			Required	Requested	Required	Requested
1						
17.3. Citizenship/Legal Residency Ver	ification					
What are your procedures for ensuring benefits? Select all that apply.	ng LIHEAP recipies	its are U.S. citizen	s or qualified no	n-citizens who are	cligible to receive	LIHEAP
Clients sign an attestation of	citizenship or U.S. (	Citizen or Qualifie	d Non-Citizen			
Client's submission of certain	Social Security Ad	ministration card	s is accepted as pr	oof of U.S. Citizen	or Qualified Non-	Citizen.
Non-Citizens must provide do	ocumentation of imi	nigration status				
Citizens must provide a copy	of their birth certif	icate, naturalizati	on papers, or pass	port		
Non-Citizens are verified thro	ough the SAVE syst	em				
Tribal members are verified t	through Tribal enro	llment records/Ti	ribal ID card			
Other - Describe:				1/1		
17.4. Income Verification	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				5,00	
What methods does your agency utilize	e to verify househo	ld income? Select	all that apply.			
Require documentation of inco	me for all adult ho	isehold members				
Pay stubs						
Social Security award le	etters					
<b>✓</b> Bank statements						
✓ Tax statements					3/2	
Zero-income statements						
Unemployment Insuran	ce letters	- 300	**			
Other - Describe:						
N/A						
Computer data matches:						
Income information ma	tched against state	computer system	(e.g., SNAP, TAN	F)		
Proof of unemployment	benefits verified wi	th state Departme	ent of Labor			
Social Security Income v	verified with SSA		70			
Utilize state directory of	f new hires					
Other - Describe:						
N/A						
b. Describe any exceptions to the above	policies.					
17.5 Identification Verification		-				
Describe what methods are used to ver	rify the authenticity	of identification	documents provid	ed by clients or ho	usehold members.	Select all that
Verify SSNs with Social Securit	ty Administration					
Match SSNs with death records	s from Social Secur	ity Administration	or state agency			
Match SSNs with state eligibilit	ly/case managemen	l system (e.g., SN/	AP, TANF)			
Match with state Department o	f Lahor system					
Match with state and/or federa	l corrections system					
Match with state child support	system					
Verification using private softw	vare (e.g., The Worl	k Number)			×	
In-person certification by staff	(for tribal Grant re	cipients only)			- 20-	
Match SSN/Tribal ID number	with tribal database	or enrollment re	cords (for tribal C	Grant recipients on	ly)	
Other - Describe:						

17.6. Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality
Describe the financial and operating controls in place to protect client information against improper use or disclosure. Select all that apply.
Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent
Grant recipient L1HEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards
Employee training on confidentiality for:
Grant recipient employees
Local agencies/district offices
Employees must sign confidentiality agreement
Grant recipient employees
Local agencies/district offices
Physical files are stored in a secure location
Electronic files are protected in a secure location.
Other - Describe:
17.7. Verifying the Authenticity
What policies are in place for verifying vendor authenticity? Select all that apply.
All vendors must register with the State/Tribe.
All vendors must supply a valid SSN or TIN/W-9 form
Vendors are verified through energy bills provided by the household
Grant recipient and/or local agencies/district offices perform physical monitoring of vendors
Other - Describe and note any exceptions to policies above:
17.8, Benefits Policy - Gas and Electric Utilities
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
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
\'endor 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,

and other bulk fuel vendors? Select all that apply.
Vendors are checked against an approved vendors list
Centralized computer system/database is used to track payments to all vendors
Clients are relied on for reports of non-delivery or partial delivery
Two-party checks are issued naming client and vendor
Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only
Vendors are only paid once they provide a delivery receipt signed by the client
Conduct monitoring of bulk fuel vendors
Bulk fuel vendors are required to submit reports to the grant recipient.
Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism
Other - Describe:
17.10. Investigations and Prosecutions
Describe the Grant recipients procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients, staff, or vendors found to have committed fraud. Select all that apply.
Refer to state Inspector General
Refer to local prosecutor or state Attorney General
Refer to US DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline)
1.ocal agencles/district offices or Grant recipient conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public
Grant recipient attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process
Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? I 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 Grant recipient is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the Grant recipient knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the agency, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
- 3. For Grant recipients other than individuals, Alternate I applies.
- 4. For Grant recipients who are individuals, Alternate II applies.
- 5. Workplaces under grants, for Grant recipients other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the Grant recipient does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the Grant recipient must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the Grant recipients drug-free workplace requirements.
- 6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio studios).
- 7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the Grant recipient shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).
- 8. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grant recipients attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

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

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

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

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

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Alternate I. (Grant recipients Other Than Individuals)
The Grant recipient certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:,

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

central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

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

Place of Performance (That this must be physical address. No PO Boxes allowed.)

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians  * Address Line 1								
2608 Government Center Drive Address Line 2								
Address Line 3								
Manistee * City	MI * State	49660 * Zip Code						

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

Alternate II. (Grant recipients Who Are Individuals)

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

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☑ 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

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

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

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

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

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

- (8) provide assurances that,
  - (A) the State will not exclude households described in clause (2)(B) of this subsection from receiving home energy assistance benefits under clause (2), and
  - (B) the State will treat owners and renters equitably under the program assisted under this title;
- (9) provide that--
  - (A) the State may use for planning and administering the use of funds under this title an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the funds payable to such State under this title for a fiscal year; and
  - (B) the State will pay from non-Federal sources the remaining costs of planning and administering the program assisted under this title and will not use Federal funds for such remaining cost (except for the costs of the activities described in paragraph (16));
- (10) provide that such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures will be established as may be necessary to assure the proper disbursal of and accounting for Federal funds paid to the State under this title, including procedures for monitoring the assistance provided under this title, and provide that the State will comply with the provisions of chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code (commonly known as the "Single Audit Act");
- (11) permit and cooperate with Federal investigations undertaken in accordance with section 2608;
- (12) provide for timely and meaningful public participation in the development of the plan described in subsection (c);
- (13) provide an opportunity for a fair administrative hearing to individuals whose claims for assistance under the plan described in subsection (c) are denied or are not acted upon with reasonable promptness; and
- (14) cooperate with the Secretary with respect to data collecting and reporting under section 2610.
- (15) \* beginning in fiscal year 1992, provide, in addition to such services as may be offered by State Departments of Public Welfare at the local level, outreach and intake functions for crisis situations and heating and cooling assistance that is administered by additional State and local governmental entities or community-based organizations (such as community action agencies, area agencies on aging and not-for-profit neighborhood-based organizations), and in States where such organizations do not administer functions as of September 30, 1991, preference in awarding grants or contracts for intake services shall be provided to those agencies that administer the low-income weatherization or energy crisis intervention programs.
- \* This assurance is applicable only to States, and to territories whose annual regular LIHEAP allotments exceed \$200,000. Neither territories with annual allotments of \$200,000 or less nor Indian tribes/tribal organizations are subject to Assurance 15.
- (16) use up to 5 percent of such funds, at its option, to provide services that encourage and enable households to reduce their home energy needs and

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

By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is agreeing to the Assurances set out above.

### Plan Attachments

	PLAN ATTACHMENTS							
he followin	ng documents must be attached to this application							
	Delegation Letter is required if someone other than the Governor or Chairman Certified this Report.							
	Heating component benefit matrix, if applicable							
•	Cooling component benefit matrix, if applicable							
	Minutes, notes, or transcripts of public hearing(s).							
	Policy Manual.							
	Subrecipient Contract,							
	Model Plan Participation Notes for Tribes.							

## FY 2025

Ass	istance Accessed: Applicant Name:	State Control (text on a 10 to	ear-round Cr	one-time in the second	atherization _ Family Size:	_
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2	\$45,472	\$ 11,368.00		\$20,440	\$ 30,660.00	) ONEO STANDER JOSEPH
3	\$56,295			\$25,820	\$ 38,730.00	
4	\$67,091	\$ 16,772.75	12.52	\$31,200	\$ 46,800.00	
5	\$77,742	\$ 19,435.50	1000	\$36,580	\$ 54,870.00	
6		\$ 22,116.25			\$ 62,940.00	
	\$88,465			\$41,960	\$ 71,010.00	
7	\$90,475		1000	\$47,340		
8	\$92,486	\$ 23,121.50		\$52,720	\$ 79,080.00	\$19,770
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