# Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

# **LIHEAP Model Plan Template**

Note: This template cannot be submitted as an application for LIHEAP funding. The template is for demonstration purposes only. A complete LIHEAP Model Plan must be submitted in the Online Data Collection System (OLDC) to be considered for funding. Formatting within OLDC may appear different than this document.



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		4a. Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): WP92EVJB9HF9	5. Date State:	Received By
		4b. Federal Award Identifier:	6. State	Application Identifier:
7. APPLICANT INFORM	AATION			
	epartment of Health & We	lfare		
*b. Address:	1			
*Street 1:	450 W. State Street	Street 2:		
*City:	Boise	County:		
*State:	Idaho	Province:		
*County:	Ada	*Zip/Postal Code:		83720
c. Organizational Unit:				
		Division Name: Division of		
Department Name:	Self-Reliance	Welfare		
		ntacted on matters involving the partment of Health and Huma		
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*First Name:	Lisa	*Last Name:		Johnson
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<b>*8. TYPE OF APPLICAN</b>	NT:			
State Government				
a. Is the applicant a Triba	al Consortium:			
No				
If yes, please attach at lea	st one of the following doci	uments:		
		eir state and the Consortium, s		the State Chief Executive
		te) and the Consortium Presid by the elected Tribal Chief or I		af agah triha in tha
	signed by the Consortium		[][]]	of each tribe in the
3. A current resolut	tion letter from each tribe i	in the Consortium, signed by t		
	LIHEAP on their behalf an	o state that the Consortium has ad needs to designate a time pe		
	JACU.	Catalog of Federal Domes Assistance Number	stic	CFDA Title:
9. CFDA NUMBERS AN	D TITLES	93568		Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
10 DESCRIPTIVE TITI	LE OF APPLICANT'S PRO	 DIECT·		Trogram
10. DESCRIPTIVE TITE		592011		

11. AREAS AFFECTED BY FUNDING:

State					
12. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF APPLICANT:					
2					
13. FUNDING PERIOD:	13. FUNDING PERIOD:				
a. Start Date: 10/1/2024	b. End Date: 9/30/2025				
*14. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY ST	*14. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?				
a. This submission was made available to the State und	er Executive Order 12372				
Process for review on:					
b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been se	elected by State for review.				
c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.					
*15. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY F	EDERAL DEBT?				
⊠ NO					
If yes, explain:					
16. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)					
**The list of certifications and assurances, or an intern announcement or agency specific instructions.	et site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the				
17a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official	17c. Telephone (area code, number, and extension)				
	208-334-0633				
17b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official on)	17d. Email Address:				
	Alex.Adams@dhw.idaho.gov				
17e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)					
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency ins	structions				

# Section 1 - Program Components

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

#### Section 1 – Program Components

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

# Section 1 Program Components

# **Program Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)**

prog	k which components you will operate under the LIHEAP ram. You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in this plan.)		es of °ation
		Start Date:	End Date:
$\boxtimes$	Heating assistance	10/1/2024	3/31/2025
	Cooling assistance		
$\boxtimes$	Weatherization assistance	10/1/2024	9/30/2026
	Summer Crisis assistance		

	Winter Crisis as	ssistance								
$\boxtimes$	Year-round crisis assistance				10/1/	2024	9/30/20	025		
Provide f	urther explanat	ion for the	e dates of o	operation,	if nec	essary	7			
End dates	are estimated, d	ependent o	n funding.							
Estimate	d Funding Alloc	ation, 260	4(C), 2605	<b>(k)(1), 260</b>	5(b)(9	9), 260	<b>05(b)(16)</b>	- Assurance	es 9 and 10	6
for each	ate what amoun component that ges must add up	you will o				e used		entage (%):		year totals populate)
	ng assistance							58.4%		
Cooli	ng assistance							0%		
-	er crisis assistan	ce						0%		
Winte	r crisis assistanc	e						0%		
Year-	round crisis assis	tance						13.4%		
Weath	nerization assista	nce						15%		
Carry	over to the follow	ving federa	l fiscal yea	ır				0%		
-	nistrative and pla		•					10%		
	to reduce hon			ding needs	assess	ment				
(Assu	rance 16)			Ç				3%		
Used	to develop and ir	nplement l	everages ad	ctivities				0.2%		
TOTAL:								100%		
administrati allotments of funds payab	recipients: direct-gr on up to 20% of the wer \$20,000 may us le that exceeds \$20, e Use of Crisis A	funds payabl e for planning 000. Any adn ssistance	e. Grant recip g and adminis ninistrative co F <b>unds, 260</b>	bients that are stration purpo osts in excess 05(c)(1)(C)	direct g ses up t of these	grant tri o 20% e limits	ibes, tribal of of the first S must be pai	organizations, o \$20,000 (or \$4, id from non-fec	r territories v 000) plus 109 leral sources.	vith % of the
	unds reserved fo	or winter o	erisis assist	tance that	have	not be	en expen	ded by Mar	ch 15 will	be
reprogra							1			
			ling assis		<u> </u>	1				
					<b>y):</b> Crisis is	•	ar-round			
Categorical Eligibility, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assurance 2, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(8A) - Assurance 8										
•	1.4 Do you consider households categorically eligible if at least one household member receives at least one of the following categories of benefits in the left column below?									
	Yes					No				
	If you answered "Yes" to question 1.4, you must complete the table below and answer questions 1.5 and									
		Hea	ting	Coo	oling		Cı	risis	Weath	erization
TANF		$\Box$ Yes	🖾 No	$\Box$ Yes		lo	$\Box$ Yes	🖾 No	$\Box$ Yes	🖾 No
SSI		🛛 Yes	□ No	$\Box$ Yes		lo	🛛 Yes	□ No	🛛 Yes	□ No
SNAP		🛛 Yes	□ No	$\Box$ Yes		lo	🛛 Yes	□ No	🛛 Yes	□ No
Means-te	sted Veterans	🛛 Yes	□ No	$\Box$ Yes		lo	🛛 Yes	□ No	🛛 Yes	□ No
program		• .•					• • •			• 11
eligible (i	ovide your defin .e., do all house in place?) and	hold mem	bers need	to receive	the be	nefits	or just o	ne member,	is there a	
during the Means-tes	ds having at leas LIHEAP Progra sted Veterans Pro ssistance Program	am Year (C ograms are	October 1st categorical	September	- 30th)	; Supp	olemental	Security Inc	ome (SSI)	, and/or
1.5 Do yo	u automatically	enroll ho	useholds w	vithout a d	irect a	nnua	application	tion?		
	Yes				$\boxtimes$	No				
If Yes, ex	plain:									
	do you ensure th						0	ly eligible ho l benefit am		from

The regular heat benefit amount is determined using a heating matrix which shows an average heating cost by region in the state. The heating benefit is based on the household income, fuel type, and energy burden. Categorically eligible households must still provide verification for any additional household income and all non-financial eligibility requirements.

financial	eligibility requirements.					
15 0	SNAP Nominal Payments					
	you allocate LIHEAP funds toward a nominal payment for SNAP households?					
	Yes 🛛 No					
	swered "yes" to question 1.7a, you must provide a response to questions 1.7b, 1.7c and 1.7d.					
	ount of Nominal Assistance: \$					
	luency of Assistance					
	Once per year					
	Once every five years					
	Other – Describe:					
<b>1.7d How</b>	v do you confirm that the household receiving a nominal payment has an energy cost or need?					
	Determination of Eligibility - Countable Income					
1.8. In de	termining a household's income eligibility for LIHEAP, do you use gross income or net income?					
$\boxtimes$	Gross Income					
	Net Income					
	Other – Describe:					
	t all the applicable forms of countable income used to determine a household's income eligibility					
for LIHE						
	Wages					
	Self - Employment Income					
	Contract Income					
$\boxtimes$	Payments from mortgage or Sales Contracts					
$\boxtimes$	Unemployment insurance					
$\boxtimes$	Strike Pay					
$\boxtimes$	Social Security Administration (SSA) benefits					
	Including Medicare deduction       Image: Excluding Medicare deduction					
$\boxtimes$	Supplemental Security Income (SSI)					
$\boxtimes$	Retirement/pension benefits					
	General Assistance benefits					
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits					
	Loans that need to be repaid					
	Cash gifts					
	Savings account balance					
	One-time lump sum payments, such as rebates or credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits,					
	etc. Jury duty compensation					
	Rental income					
	Income from employment through Workforce Investment Act (WIA)					
	Income from work study programs					
	Alimony					
	Child support					
	Interest, dividends, or royalties					
	Commissions					
	Legal settlements					
	Insurance payments made directly to the insured					
	Insurance payments made specifically for the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate					

	Veterans Administration (VA) benefits				
	Earned income of a child under the age of 18				
	Balance of retirement, pension, or annuity accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty				
	Income tax refunds				
	Stipends from senior companion programs, such as VISTA				
$\boxtimes$	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.)				
$\boxtimes$	Other: Annuities, Private Disability Insurance, Trust Fund Income or Workman's Compensation benefits. Infrequent, irregular, or unpredictable income from gifts or lottery winnings of more than thirty dollars (\$30) during the prior month.				
	f the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.				
	TAFI benefits are counted.				
ť	u have an online application process?				
X	Yes 🗆 No				
1.10a If ye	s, describe the type of online application (select all boxes that apply)				
$\boxtimes$	A PDF version of the application is available online and can be downloaded, filled out, and mailed, emailed, dropped off in-person, or faxed 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 local subgrant recipients have an online application that allows a customer to complete data entry and submit an application electronically for processing				
	Online application that is also mobile friendly				
	Other, please describe				
$\boxtimes$	Please include a link(s) to a statewide application, if available: <u>https://publicdocuments.dhw.idaho.gov/WebLink/Browse.aspx?id=30304&amp;dbid=0&amp;repo=PUBLIC-DOCUMENTS</u>				
1.10b Can	all program components be applied for online?				
$\boxtimes$	Yes 🗆 No				
If no, expla	in which components can and cannot be applied for online:				
1.11 Do yo	u have a process for conducting and completing applications by phone:				
Yes.					
1.12 Do yo	u or any of your subrecipients require in person appointments in order to apply?				
No.					
If yes, plea	se provide more information regarding why in-person appointments are required and in what				
	ces they are required.				
N/A					
	can applicants submit documentation for verification? Select all that apply:				
$\boxtimes$	In-person				
$\boxtimes$	Mail				
$\boxtimes$	Email				
	Portal application				
$\boxtimes$	Other, describe: drop-box and fax				

# Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE

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		Sect	ion 2 – Heat	ing As	sistance		
	, 2605(b)(2) - As						
2.1 Design	ate the income	eligibility thresh	old used for	the he	ating component:		
	Add	Household	l Size		igibility Guideline	-	Eligibility Threshold
		7			Median Income		<b>%</b>
<b>11</b>	1 11.4.	8			Poverty Guidelines	15	0%
		l eligibility requi	rements for		No		
	Yes the environminate	boxes below and	l dogoniho th				
	uire appropriate		i describe th		Yes	$\square$	No
If yes, desc					105		NO
II yes, uese							
Do vou hav	ve additional or	differing eligibil	ity policies f	or:			
Renters?		888	, <b>F</b>		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If yes, desc	ribe:			1		1	1
<b>Renters</b> liv	ing in subsidize	d housing?			Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If yes, desc	ribe:			•	·		
Renters wi	th utilities inclu	ded in the rent?		$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
•			as a financia	l respo	nsibility for heating c	osts v	when the utility bill is
not in a hou	sehold member	name.					
D							
Do you giv Older adul	e priority in elig	gibility to:			V		NT-
					Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If yes, desc	nde:						
Individual	s with a disabilit	v?			Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If yes, desc		· <b>J</b> •			105		
II yes, dese	1100.						
Young chil	dren?				Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If yes, desc					1.00		
<b>,</b> ,							
Household	s with high ene	rgy burdens?			Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If yes, desc	ribe:						
					_		
Other?				$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
If yes, desc	ribe:						
• Mu	st reside in Idah	0					
					irectly or through ren	tal co	sts.
		2605(b)(5) - Assu	,				
	• •	-	on of heatin	g assis	stance to vulnerable	popul	ations, e.g., benefit
	early application		fourilies who		und a LUIEAD havef	4 410 0	
							prior year have one or HEAP benefit receive
					0		or the program year is
\$25.				e j'une			or the program year is
	the variables yo	ou use to determi	ne your ben	efit lev	vels. (Check all that	apply	):
$\boxtimes$	Income						
$\boxtimes$	Family (house)	nold) size					
$\boxtimes$	Home energy c	ost or need:					
X	Fuel type						
$\boxtimes$	Climate/region						
	Individual bill						
	Dwelling type						

$\boxtimes$	Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)					
	Energy need					
	Other - Describe: Households with no specific heat cost obligation (included in rent) will receive the minimum benefit.					
Benefit Lev	vels, 2605(b)(5)	- Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)				
2.6 Describ	e estimated be	nefit levels for the fiscal year	for wh	ich this plan applies.	Please note, the	
maximum	and minimum b	penefits must be shown in the	payme	ent matrix.		
Minimum I	Benefit \$75 Maximum Benefit \$1,226					
2.7 Do you	2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, space heaters) or other forms of benefits?					
$\boxtimes$	Yes			No		
If yes, desc	If yes, describe.					
During a governor-declared disaster or state emergency, a portion of the LIHEAP grant funds may be used for						
home heating supply shortages experienced by participant households.						
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the						
fields prov	ided, attach a d	ocument with said explanati	on here	e.		

# Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE

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LOW IN	COME HOME ENERGY A			(LIHEAP)	
	MODEI Section 3 – Coo				
Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - As		ming As	sistance		
•	eligibility threshold used for	r the co	oling component:		
Add	Household size	1	gibility Guideline	Eligibilit	ty Threshold
N/A			<b>C</b>	<b></b>	•
3.2 Do you have additional	l eligibility requirements for	· coolin	g assistance?		
□ Yes			No		
3.3 Check the appropriate	boxes below and describe t	he poli	cies for each.		-
Do you require an Assets t	test?		Yes		No
If yes, describe:					
	differing eligibility policies	1	T		T
Renters?			Yes		No
If yes, describe:					
Dontong living in gubgidige	d housing?		V		N.
Renters living in subsidize	a nousing:		Yes		No
If yes, describe:					
Renters with utilities inclu	ded in the rent?		Yes		No
If yes, describe:					110
Do you give priority in elig	gibility to:				
Older adults?			Yes		No
If yes, describe:		÷		-	-
				_	
Individuals with a disabilit	y?		Yes		No
If yes, describe:					
			1		•
Young children?			Yes		No
If yes, describe:					
Households with high ener	rgy burdens?		Yes		No
If yes describe.					

Other?	Yes	No
If was descember		

If yes, describe:

Determinati	ion of Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
	3.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of cooling assistance to vulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amounts, early application periods, etc.					
3.5 Check t	he variables you use to determine your benefit levels. (Check all that apply):					
	Income					
	Family (household) size					
	Home energy cost or need:					
	Fuel type					
	Climate/region					
	Individual bill					
	Dwelling type					
	Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)					
	Energy need					
	Other - Describe:					
	els, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
	e estimated benefit levels for the fiscal year for which this plan applies. Please note, the nd minimum benefits must be shown in the payment matrix.					
Minimum Be						
	provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air conditioners) and/or other forms of benefits?					
	Yes 🗆 No					
If yes, descri	be.					
If any of the	e above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the					
	ded, attach a document with said explanation here.					

#### Section 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE

Seci	1011 4 - CRISIS ASS	DISTANCE		
U.S. Department of Health and Human Ser	rvices A	August 1987, revised 05/92, 0	2/95, 03/96, 12/98, 11/01	
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MODEL PLAN				
	Section 4 – Crisis As	sistance		
Eligibility, 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2				
4.1 Designate the income eligibility thr	eshold used for the c	ooling component:		
Add	Household size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility	
			Threshold	
	7	State Median Income	60%	
	8	HHS Poverty	150%	
		Guidelines		
4.2 Provide your LIHEAP program's	definition for determi	ning a crisis. If you admin	ister multiple crisis	
assistance programs (i.e. winter, summ	er, or year-round), in	clude all program definitio	ons.	
Idaho defines a crisis as a situation where	e an eligible household	:		
• Has a utility service that is disco	nnected; their service i	s pending disconnection sta	itus; or	
• Has less than 48 hours of bulk fu				
<ul> <li>Household requires a utility pole or gas line hookup for the primary heat source or another energy source when a lack of access would result in a health or safety concern in the home.</li> </ul>				

• The household cannot maintain a payment agreement with the utility company and the account will move into the pending disconnection process and will make the household ineligible for future payment

arrangements.						
4.3 What constitutes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u>						
When an eligible household contains at least one household member with an illness or medical condition that						
poses an immediate risk due to the loss of						
	energy source to operate a medical device or store medication.					
Crisis Requirement, 2604(c)						
4.4 Within how many hours do you provide an intervention that will resolve the energy crisis for eligible						
households? 48 hours						
4.5 Within how many hours do you pr		hat will resolve the energ	y crisis for eligible			
households in life-threatening situatio	ns? 18 hours					
Crisis Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A)		0 0	V D 10			
A ( De mars hanne a différence) all'all'ille	Winter Crisis	Summer Crisis	Year-Round Crisis			
4.6 Do you have additional eligibility			$\boxtimes$			
requirements for crisis assistance? 4.7 Check the appropriate boxes below	y to indicate type(s) of	assistance provided				
Do you require an assets test?						
<b>Do you give priority in eligibility to:</b> Older adults?						
Individuals with a disability?						
Young children?						
Households with high energy burdens?						
Other?						
In Order to receive crisis assistance:						
Must the household have received a						
shut-off notice or have a near empty			$\boxtimes$			
tank?						
Must the household have been shut off						
or have an empty tank?						
Must the household have exhausted						
their regular heating benefit? Must renters with heating costs						
included in their rent have received an			$\boxtimes$			
eviction notice?						
Must heating or cooling be medically		_				
necessary?						
Must the household have non-working						
heating or cooling equipment?						
Other?						
Do you have additional or differing eli	gibility policies for:					
Renters?						
Renters living in subsidized housing?						
Renters with utilities included in the						
rent?						
Explanations of policies for each "yes" c	hecked above:					
Household must reside in Idaho and the		home heating costs, either	directly or thorough			
rental costs. Verification of disconnectio						
household that they have less than 48 ho	urs of bulk fuel must be	on file to receive crisis.				
Determination of Benefits						
4.8 How do you handle crisis situations						
$\boxtimes$	Separate component.					
		separate amount of crisis f				
		risis customers within crisis	s response time			
	frames.					
	Other - Describe:					
4.9 If you have a separate component,	how do you determine	crisis assistance benefits	?			
	Amount to resolve	\$ 1.500.00				

	the crisis.				
		Other - Describe: Crisis benefits are based on actual need, verified by a			
$\boxtimes$	01	bill or billing portal. Payment is made to the utility vendor and/or the customer, for bulk fuel, up to the maximum benefit of \$1,500.00.			
	customer, for bull	c fuel	, up to the m	aximum benef	ît of \$1,500.00.
Crisis Requirements, 2604(c)	•••		•		
4.10 Do you accept applications for en households in the area to be served?	ergy crisis assistan	ce at	sites that a	re geographic	cally accessible to all
$\boxtimes$	Vac		Na		
	Yes		No		
Explain. Crisis applications are accepted at any cor	nmunity action agen	ev of	fice in Idah		
4.11 Do you provide individuals with a				J.	
Submit applications for crisis benefits	•				
	Yes		No		
If no, explain.	105		110		
Travel to the sites at which application	s for crisis assistar	ice ai	e accepted	?	
$\boxtimes$	Yes		No		
If no, explain.		1			
If you answered "No" to both options i	n question 4.11, pl	ease	explain alte	ernative mean	s of intake to those
who are homebound or physically disa			-		
Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)					
4.12 Indicate the maximum benefit for	* *	assis	tance offer		
Winter Crisis	Maximum Benefit			\$0	
Summer Crisis	Maximum Benefit \$0				
Year-Round Crisis	Round CrisisMaximum Benefit\$ 1,500.00 <b>b you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, space heaters, fans) or other forms of benefits?</b>				
	1	, fans	1	forms of bene	fits?
	Yes		No		
If yes, describe.			6.4 1 111		1 1 10
During a governor-declared disaster or st home heating supply shortages experienc				EAP grant fund	as may be used for
4.14 Do you provide for equipment rep				nds?	
	Yes		No	14.5 •	
If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14					
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below	, you must compic	ii qi	1.511011 7.13	•	
to indicate type(s) of assistance	Winter Crisis		Summ	er Crisis	Year-Round Crisis
provided.					
Heating system repair					
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):					
	uanlı with anfanaa	0.000	notonium	u abut offa?	
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you				on shut ons:	
	Yes		No	4.00	
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.1	lo, you must respo	nd to	question 4	.17.	
4.17 Describe the terms of the morator	rium and any snee	ial di	snensation	received by T	IHEAP clients
during or after the moratorium period	• -	ai ul	spensation	received by L	
Households that include alderly, disables					

Households that include elderly, disabled or children that are customers of a regulated utility qualify. The plan allows you to pay less than the full amount of your bill during the winter months (November 1 through March

31). Regulated utilities also are not allowed to discontinue services to customers with a past due amount during the moratorium if the customer contacts a regulated utility to declare they are unable to pay.

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:						
In the event of state or federal declared natural or manmade disaster, Idaho may request permission to use						
LIHEAP resources to provide emergency services to low-income individuals and families in the						
designated disaster area.						
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the						
fields provided, attach a document with	h said explanation	here.				

#### Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE

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	LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN Section 5 – Weatherization Assistance				
	Eligibility, 2605(c)(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assurance 2				
5.1 Des	signate the income eligibility threshold used for	1	zation component		
Add	Household Size	Eligibility Guideline HHS	Eligibility Threshold		
	All Household Sizes		200%		
	you enter into an interagency agreement to have erization component?	e another gov	ernment agency administer a		
	Yes	🖾 No			
5.3 If y	es, name the agency and attach a copy of the int	ernal agreem	ent or contract.		
5 4 Ta 41	and a concrete monitoring protocol for weather	ization?			
5.4 IS U ⊠	here a separate monitoring protocol for weather Yes	$\square No$			
	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 followin differ (Check all that apply):	ng DOE WAP	rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules		
$\boxtimes$	Income Threshold				
$\boxtimes$	Weatherization of entire multi-family housing structure is permitted if at least 66% of units (50% in 2- and 4-unit buildings) are eligible units or will become eligible within 180 days.				
	Weatherize shelters temporarily housing primarily low-income persons (excluding nursing				
$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe:				
	Mostly under DOE WAP rules, with the follow differ (Check all that apply.)	wing LIHEAP	rule(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules		
	Income threshold				
	Weatherization not subject to DOE WAP				
	Weatherization measures are not subject t				
$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe: Weatherization of multi-family housing structures is permitted if at least 50% of units are eligible units where significant energy-efficiency improvement would occur if the building were weatherized, and authorization has been provided by the grantee. Agencies may use a Grantee-Approved "Deemed Measures" List as an alternative to completing a full energy				

audit if dwellings are weatherized solely using LIHEAP funds. Weatherization not subject to DOE WAP maximum statewide average cost per dwelling unit. Weatherization measures are not subject to DOE Savings to Investment Ratio (SIR) standards.

Eligibility	, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5		· · ·		
5.6 Do you	ı require an assets test?				
	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No		
5.7 Do you	ı have additional or differing eligibility poli	cies for:			
Do you ree	quire an assets test?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
Do you ha	ve additional or differing eligibility policies	for:			
Renters?		$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Renters liv	ing in subsidized housing?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
Renters wi	th utilities included in the rent?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
Do you giv	ve priority in eligibility to:		·		·
Older adult	ts?	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Individuals	with a disability?	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Young chil	ldren?	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Household	s with high energy burdens?	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Other?			Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
If you selected "Yes" for any of the options in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, you must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field below.					
Applicants that rent their homes are required to obtain an Owner and Renter agreement as outlined in the DOE- Approved Idaho Weatherization Operations Manual (IWOM).					
Idaho considers the presence of elderly, disabled or children, under 19, in the household as well as households with high energy burdens as priority demographics for weatherization.					
Benefit Le	vels				

	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	what is the maximum:	\$	
• •	s of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)		
	What LIHEAP weatherization measures do you p		
$\boxtimes$	Weatherization needs assessments/audits	$\square$	Energy-related roof repair
$\boxtimes$	Caulking and insulation	$\boxtimes$	Major appliance Repairs
$\boxtimes$	Storm windows	$\square$	Major appliance replacement
$\boxtimes$	Furnace/heating system modifications/repairs	$\boxtimes$	Windows/sliding glass doors
$\boxtimes$	Furnace replacement	$\boxtimes$	Doors
$\boxtimes$	Cooling system modifications/repairs	$\boxtimes$	Water Heater
$\boxtimes$	Water conservation measures	$\boxtimes$	Cooling system replacement
	Compact florescent light bulbs		Community Solar projects
	Rooftop solar		Other - Describe: Attic floor installation, duc sealing, general heat waste reduction, LED bulbs and Spray Foam insulation. Portable space heaters for participants with failed heating systems, during the heating season. Other low-cost or cost-effective energy conservation measures specifically allowed under the grantee's deemed measures list.

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	Section 6 – Outreach				
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:					
$\boxtimes$	Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc.				
$\boxtimes$	Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements.				
$\boxtimes$	Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance.				
$\boxtimes$	Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients				
$\boxtimes$	Inform low-income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance at application intake for other low-income programs.				
$\boxtimes$	Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups.				
$\boxtimes$	Web posting				
$\boxtimes$	Email				
$\boxtimes$	Texting				
$\boxtimes$	Events				
$\boxtimes$	Social Media				
$\boxtimes$	Other (specify): presentations at community meetings and at interagency meetings				
	y of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the s provided, attach a document with said explanation here.				

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

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Sect	ion 7: Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance	4	
7.1 D	7.1 Describe how you will ensure that the LIHEAP program is coordinated with other programs available		
to lo	to low-income households (TANF, SSI, WAP, etc.).		
$\boxtimes$	Joint application for multiple programs		
Indic	cate programs included:		
$\boxtimes$	Intake referrals to or from other programs		
Indic	cate programs included:		
	One-stop intake centers		
	Other - Describe:		
If an	y of the above questions require further explana	tion or clarification that could not be made in the	
	s provided, attach a document with said explana		
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#### Section 8 - Agency Designation, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6

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	Section 8 – Agency Designation					
	Section 8: Agency Designation, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6 (Required for state grant recipients and the					
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico) 8.1 How would you categorize the primary responsibility of your state agency?						
8.1 F	Administration Agency	nary responsibility	y of your state a	gency:		
	Commerce Agency					
	Community Services Agency					
	State Department of Welfare Age	ncy (administers TA	ANF, SNAP, and	/or Medicaid)		
	Economic Development Agency					
	Other - Describe: rnate Outreach and Intake, 2605(I					
•	ou selected ''Welfare Agency'' in q	uestion 8.1, you m	ust complete qu	uestions 8.2, 8.3, ar	nd 8.4, as	
	icable. Iow do you provide alternate outr	each and intake fo	r heating assist	ance?		
0.2 1	iow do you provide alternate out	cach and make 10	in nearing assist			
8.3 F	Iow do you provide alternate outr	each and intake fo	or cooling assist:	ance?		
8.4 H	Iow do you provide alternate outr	each and intake fo	or crisis assistan	ce?		
8.5 LIHEAP Component Heating Cashing Crisis Weatherization						
	inistration	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization	
	Who determines client	Community	N/A	Community		
eligił				•	Community	
	bility?	Action		Action	Action	
		Action Agencies		Action Agencies		
	Who processes benefit payments	Action Agencies State	N/A	Action Agencies State	Action	
		Action Agencies State Administration	N/A	Action Agencies State Administration	Action	
to ga	Who processes benefit payments s and electric vendors?	Action Agencies State Administration Agency		Action Agencies State Administration Agency	Action	
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- **Community Council of Idaho.** 317 Happy Day Blvd. #180 Caldwell, ID 83607 (208)454-1652, Bingham, Bonneville, Canyon, Cassia, Power, Twin Falls. ID-01 & ID-02, UEI# HZQDEFQUU8N7
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- South Central Community Action Partnership. 550 Washington St. S Twin Falls, ID 83301, (208) 733-9351, Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Twin Falls. ID-02, UEI# TVEYWJUKMKR9

- SouthEastern Idaho Community Action Agency, Inc. 641 N. 8th Ave. Pocatello, ID 83201 (208)232-1114, Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Caribou, Franklin, Oneida, Power. ID-02, UEI# ET2BAK2AQMK4
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If any of your LIHEAP components are not centrally administered by a state agency, you must complete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and, if applicable, 8.9.

8.6 What is your process for selecting local administering agencies?

In Idaho, Community Action Agencies are exempt from the bidding process for subgrants. In the Department of Purchasing bid exemption, Community Action Agencies are defined as follows:

Community Action Agencies - Community Action Agencies and other neighborhood-based organizations providing direct services as detailed in the CSBG Act, Public Law 105-285 (42 US Code 9901); community action associates who provide CSBG administrative oversight responsibilities.

8.7 How many local administering agencies do you use? 7			
8.8 Have you changed any local administering agencies in the last year?			
$\Box$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No			
8.9 If so, why?			
Agency was in non-compliance with grant recipient requirements for LIHEAP -			
□ Agency is under criminal investigation.			
□ Added agency			
□ Agency closed			
□ Other – describe			
8.10 If a subrecipient is no longer providing LIHEAP, are you aware of prior-year LIHEAP funds being			
mismanaged or misspent?			
$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No			
8.10a If yes, please explain:			
8.10b If you are aware, were other federal programs impacted such as CSBG, SSBG, Head Start, TANF,			
and Department of Energy Weatherization funding, etc.			
$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No			
8.10c if yes, please explain:			
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 9 - Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7

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Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7				
9.1 Do you make payments directly to home energy sup	opliers	s?		
Heating	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Cooling		Yes		No
Crisis	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
Are there exceptions?	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
If yes, Describe. Idaho sends payments via ACH or by state warrant to utility companies who have signed up to be				
LIHEAP vendors. Idaho makes payments directly to the participants when the household's heat is included in the				
rent and when there is not an available home energy supplier with a current LIHEAP vendor agreement on file (i.e.,				
when the household utilizes bulk fuel).			0	( ) /

	9.2 How do you notif	y the client of the amount of assistance	paid?
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All participants receive a benefit determination letter in-person, by mail or by electronic message.

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?** We perform monitoring of home energy suppliers to verify that the payment was applied to the customer account correctly and timely.

9.4 How do you assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP assistance?

We perform monitoring of home energy suppliers to ensure LIHEAP households are treated the same as other customers. We require home energy suppliers to sign a vendor agreement where they agree to not treat LIHEAP customers differently than non-LIHEAP eligible customers.

9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households?

□ Yes

⊠ No

If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take.

Attach a copy of the template statewide vendor agreement or a policy that indicates local agreements must adhere to statewide policies and assurances.

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 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10) - Assurance 10

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Section 10 – Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit

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

10.1. How do you ensure proper fiscal accounting and tracking of funds? Be specific about tracking of grant award, tracking of expenditures, tracking vendor (benefit) refunds, fiscal reporting process, and fiscal software systems being used.

LIHEAP funds are distributed between Administrative, Program Support, Leveraging and Assurance 16 categories up to the grant award amount. Each funding category is assigned a project number and tracked to ensure that expenditures do not exceed the amount allocated to the budget category. Subgrantee's submit monthly invoices that are reviewed for allowability of expenditures, and to ensure funding does not exceed the amount allocated in the subgrant/budget category. Vendor refunds are reviewed by the Program and are logged. Vendors are required to provide information that explains the refund so that the original issuance date can be identified. Program notifies fiscal of the correct program year to record the refund. Idaho uses LUMA as their fiscal software system.

Subgrant Expenditures:

Subgrant Recipients are required to submit monthly invoices by the 15th of the month, for the prior month. Invoices are reviewed for completeness and accuracy by a separate unit at Health and Welfare. Part of this review involves ensuring that the Subgrantee has enough funding to be reimbursed. The Program Manager reviews expenditures monthly to monitor progress of fund expenditures. Subgrantee's are contacted prior to the end of the contractual period to review remaining funding, discuss ability to spend out allocated funding and perform Subgrant amendments to adjust funding that will not be expended to other Subgrantee's, if needed.

Tracking Funds:

LIHEAP funds are tracked by funding categories using assigned project numbers. New project numbers are assigned at the start of each Program Year. This allows us to track funds that are issued as benefit and spent by the Grantee and Subgrantee's. The Grantee maintains a project number for their Administrative/Indirect costs and LIHEAP Benefits issued. Subgrantee's receive new project numbers, each season, for Administrative Funding, Assurance 16, Leveraging and LIHEAP Weatherization funds. Funding from other grant types (disaster, IIJA, etc.) is tracked the same way.

LIHEAP Refunds:

LIHEAP funds that are returned come to the Grantee. We track these funds and record the refund on the participant file and in a tracking log. We require the vendor provide us the information about funds to identify who they are

for, what Program Year they came from and why they are being returned.

10.1a Provide Definition	is for the following:
Obligation:	Funds issued as a LIHEAP benefit or spent by the Grantee prior to September 30 <sup>th</sup> of the current Program Year and funds that are put into Subgrant are considered obligated.
Expenditures:	Benefits issued to eligible LIHEAP households and funds spent by the Grantee for program Administration on or before September 30 <sup>th</sup> of the current Program Year, and allowable costs spent by Subgrantees during the two-year availability of funds.
Expenditure timeframe:	Ninety percent of the funds must be spent or obligated before September 30 <sup>th</sup> of the current program year. The remainder of funds must be spent by September 30 <sup>th</sup> of the second year.
Administrative costs:	Administrative Costs cannot exceed 10% of the federal award. <i>This amount is</i> <i>determined at a state level.</i> Administrative funding is split between the Grantee and the local community action agencies through Subgrant. Subgrantee funding is determined by formula. Administrative cost are the funds necessary for the proper administration and management oversight of the Idaho LIHEAP program, including all costs, both direct and indirect, associated with the general administration and coordination of the program; supportive services including accounting, human resource, and procurement; development of policies, goals, and objectives; participant intake and eligibility determination; and monitoring.
Audit Process	
10.2. Is your LIHEAP p	program audited annually under the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A - 133?
□ Yes	⊠ No
10.2a If yes, describe you	ur auditor selection process.

10.3. Describe any audit findings of the grant recipient (i.e., state, tribe, territory) rising to the level of a material weakness or reportable condition cited in the single audits, inspector general reviews, or other government agency reviews from the most recently audited fiscal year.

□ No Findir	ngs	r	1	
Finding	Туре	Brief Summary	Resolved?	Action Taken
Low-Income Home	Material	During fiscal year 2023,		The Program will develop a
Energy Assistance	Weakness,	the LIHEAP program		process to work with the
Program (LIHEAP)	Noncompliance	was required to submit		Information Management and
performance and		one program		Analysis Team (IMAT)
special reports did		performance report and		within the division to compile
not include a review		six program special		the data for the Low-Income
for accuracy and		reports to the federal		Home Energy Assistance
compliance prior to		government. The		Program (LIHEAP) reports.
submission.		Department's LIHEAP		Program will review the
		program manager		completed reports for
		compiles the program		accuracy. All reports will then
		performance report and		be submitted to the Bureau
		program special reports.		Chief, as a second review of
		The reports are submitted		accuracy, prior to submission
		by the same program		to Federal Partners.
		manager to the Office of		Documentation will be
		Community Services.		maintained to support the
		The reviews and the		preparation, review, and
		approvals for all seven		approval steps. The process
		reports tested were not		outlines a timeline to have
		documented. There was		reports prepared and reviewed
		no documented review		ahead of the established
		for accuracy nor		deadline. Program will
		approval of the reports.		communicate with our
			Federal Partner if	
		annual special reports		circumstances arise that
		were not submitted		would prevent a report from

	1	timely	haing submitted by an
		timely.	being submitted by an established deadline to
			receive an extension.
The review and	Significant	The LIHEAP utilizes a	Testing of the updated
approval of the	Deficiency	software to determine	benefits matrix will be
annual updates to	Denetency	eligibility and benefit	completed by the Program
the Low-Income		amounts for applicants	annually, and the results will
Home Energy		based on energy burden	be documented using an
Assistance Program		and qualifying factors.	established scenario testing
(LIHEAP) benefits		There is a benefits matrix	script. Results of the testing
matrix were not		within the software,	will be documented and
documented.		which is updated	submitted to the Bureau
		annually. Each year, the	Chief, as a second review of
		Department's LIHEAP	accuracy and compliance,
		program staff update the	prior to moving the updated
		benefits matrix with any	matrix into the production
		required changes. The	environment. Documentation
		review and approval of	will be maintained to support
		the changes were	the review and approval.
		completed by program	
		staff, who met in-person	
		and completed testing	
		scenarios to verify the accuracy of the	
		information. After the	
		test results were	
		reviewed and no errors	
		identified, the matrix	
		information was	
		uploaded into software	
		production prior to the	
		start of the heating	
		season. The review and	
		approval of the changes	
		to the benefits matrix	
		were not documented.	
		Verbal confirmation was	
		provided to the program	
		manager.	
The review of the Low-Income Home	Material Weakness	The LIHEAP requires earmarking which limits	The Program will document
Energy Assistance	weakness	the percentage of grant	the current process regarding the preparation, review, and
Program (LIHEAP)		funds that can be spent	approval of the Low-Income
earmarking		on administration,	Home Energy Assistance
compliance		weatherization, and	Program (LIHEAP) budget
requirements was		leveraging programs.	that includes maintaining the
not documented.		The monitoring of	documentation of the
		LIHEAP earmarking	earmarking reviews that are
		requirements was	being completed. The
		completed by the	program will prepare the
		program manager on a	Low- Income Home Energy
		spreadsheet that tracked	Assistance Program
		expenditures and	(LIHEAP) budget. This
		appropriate limitations to	budget will be submitted to
		ensure compliance was	the Bureau Chief, as a second
		met. However, there was	review of accuracy and
		no documented review	compliance, to include review
		for accuracy nor	of earmarking limits, prior to
		approval of the tracking	routing the Annual State Plan for review and submittal or
		spreadsheet.	the allocation of any funding.
<u> </u>			the anocation of any fulluling.

					Documentation will be
					maintained to support the
					review and approval.
		Administering A	0		
	s? Select all the	at apply.			istering agencies or district
$\boxtimes$		and district office Circular A-133.	s are required to have an ann	nual audit in co	mpliance with Single Audit
	Local agencies	and district office	s are required to have an ani	ual audit (othe	er than A-133).
$\boxtimes$	Local agencies part of complia		A-133 or other independent	audits are revi	iewed by Grant recipient as
$\boxtimes$	Grant recipient	t conducts fiscal ar	nd program monitoring of lo	cal agencies or	district offices.
$\boxtimes$		and district office Circular A-133.	s are required to have an ann	ual audit in co	mpliance with Single Audit
	pliance Monitor				
			ss for compliance at each le	evel below. Ch	eck all that apply.
	t recipient emp				
$\boxtimes$	Internal progra				
$\boxtimes$	Departmental of	<u> </u>			
$\boxtimes$		ew of invoices and			
			ns are in place. Describe:		
Loca		Agencies or Dist	rict Offices:		
	On-site evaluat	tion			
$\boxtimes$	Annual program	m review			
$\boxtimes$	Monitoring through central database				
$\boxtimes$	Desk reviews				
$\boxtimes$	Client File Testing/Sampling				
10.6 I	Explain or attac	h a copy of your	local agency monitoring sc	hedule and pr	otocol.
Annu fiscal of sub high 1	al monitoring re administrative a ogrants and subg isk may have an	views are complet and program/contra rant amendments increased frequer	ed and includes desk review actual compliance. Risk asse o identify Subgrantees with cy of monitoring.	of policy, processments are per a higher level of	erformed prior to the issuance of risk. Agencies identified as
	•	0	encies for monitoring revie	ws. Attach a r	risk assessment if
	cipients are uti	1		· D1/27	
Site V			tri-annual on-site monitorin		-1/- 1
	Reviews:		eive monthly file monitored		
10.8.	Annually	ch local agency h	ionitoreu : riease attach a m	sintoring sched	ule if one has been developed.
	Biannually				
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		<u> </u>	rently on corrective action	-	
			urther explanation or clar th said explanation here.	ncation that c	could not be made in the

# Section 11 - Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, 2605(b)(12) - Assurance 12, 2605(c)(2)

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# Section 11 – Timely and Meaningful Public Participation Section 11: Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, 2605(b)(12), 2605(C)(2)

**11.1** How did you obtain input from the public in the development of your LIHEAP plan? Select all that apply. Note: Tribes do not need to hold a public hearing but must ensure participation through other means.

mear	leans.				
	Tribal Council meetin	g(s)			
$\boxtimes$	Public Hearing(s)				
$\boxtimes$	Draft Plan posted to w	by ebsite and available for comment.			
$\boxtimes$	Hard copy of plan is a	vailable for public view and comment.			
	Comments from appli	cants are recorded.			
$\boxtimes$	Request for comments on draft Plan is advertised.				
$\boxtimes$	Stakeholder consultation meeting(s)				
	Comments are solicited during outreach activities.				
$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe:				
Publi	Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Only				
11.3 I	List the date and locati	ion(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the proposed use and distribution of			
your	LIHEAP funds?				
	Date	Event Description			
1	8/01/2024	Virtual Public Hearing held using WebEx.			
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**11.4.** How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)? **11.5** Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s).

**11.6** What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of public participation and solicitation of input?

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

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Section 12 – Fair Hearings

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

**12.1 How many fair hearings did the grant recipient have in the prior federal Fiscal Year?** Zero

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

N/A

12.3 Describe any policy 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 or not acted upon in a timely manner.

The household is given an eligibility determination notice upon completion of their application. LIHEAP participants and applicants have the right to request an administrative appeal or fair hearing if they disagree with the Department's decision. The participant's appeal rights are included on the eligibility determination notice and on the formal 'Notice of Denial' letter. If the participant feels they were wrongly denied services, the direct service provider holds a conference with the participant in attempt to resolve the issue. If the matter cannot be resolved, the direct service provider assists the household with completing the appeal form and submits the appeal request to the Department of Health and Welfare's Fair Hearing Unit.

Standard fair hearing procedure:

Appeal requests must be received within 30 days of the date of decision. The customer may complete the Fair Hearing Request form, submit a written request including their name, address, phone number and the issue they are contesting, or verbally request an appeal by calling the Department. Once a fair hearing request is received, the Fair Hearing Unit contacts the customer to discuss the basis of the hearing, address the customer's concerns

and clarify the action taken by the Department. If the contested issues is adequately addressed, the customer may elect to withdraw his/her appeal request. If the issue cannot be resolved, the appeal is scheduled with the hearing officer for a telephonic hearing. The hearing officer will mail or email a Notice of Scheduled Hearing to the customer and Department representative including the date, time and instructions for calling into the hearing. Once the hearing has taken place the hearing officer has 14 days to issue a preliminary order of decision, which is sent to the Department and the customer. If the individual does not agree with the hearing officer's decision, he or she has an opportunity to appeal the decision by filing a Petition for Review which is managed by the Administrative Procedures Section. Instructions and timeframes for requesting a Petition for Review are included in the preliminary order of decision.

#### 12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

This information is on the front page of LIHEAP application and the household is given an eligibility notice upon completion of their application. The participant's appeal rights are included on the eligibility notice and on the 'Notice of Denial.' The language aligns with other programs (SNAP, TAFI, etc.)

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

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Section 13 – Reduction of Home Energy Needs

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?

- Include information on level payment plans during energy education, targeted to vulnerable populations and fixed income participants;
- In-home energy education to support installation of utility-provided kit materials;
- Purchase of low cost/no cost energy conservation items for non-regulated electric utility customers;
- Leverage supplemental payments for participants who were unable to obtain their LIHEAP benefits;
- Referral to the Weatherization Assistance Program;
- Referral to available utility-funded energy conservation programs/services; and
- Advocacy on behalf of households with home energy vendor to prevent disconnection.

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

We calculate up to 5% of the LIHEAP award as the maximum amount of funding. This amount is divided between the Subgrantee's using a funding formula. Assurance 16 funds are assigned a project number that is used by the Subgrantee's when they submit invoices. Program reviews each invoice for allowable costs and to ensure expenditures do not exceed the funding allocated.

13.3 Describe the impact of such activities on the number of households served in the previous federal Fiscal Year? Impact can be measured in many different ways: using logic models, data tracking systems, process evaluation, impact evaluation, number of households served versus applied, and performance management for example.

A large impact of A16 services is utility shut off prevention and referral to the weatherization program. In the previous federal fiscal year, 11,576 households were in danger of having their utilities shut off and 9,975 of those households were identified as receiving services that preventing them from being shut off. In addition, 8,637 of 9,617 households experienced improved energy efficiency and/or energy burden reduction in their home.

# **13.4 Describe the level of direct benefits provided to those households in the previous federal Fiscal Year.** 5.9% of LIHEAP benefits were paid directly to the household.

**13.5** How many households received these services?

Approximately 21,230 households received A16 services.

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#### Section 14 – Leveraging Incentive Program

Section 14: Leveraging Incentive Program, 2607(A)

14.1 Do you plan to submit an application for the leveraging incentive program?

⊠ Yes

□ No

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

Direct Service Providers pursue enhanced heat and weatherization funding through leveraging activities according to the guidelines set in the LIHEAP regulations outlined in 45 CFR 96.87, in DOE Grant Guidance and 10 CFR 440. Direct Service Providers will ensure all funds obtained from leveraging are used to increase LIHEAP impact on heating assistance and expand energy efficiency services and/or increase the number of dwelling units receiving weatherization services.

14.3 For each type of resource 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 benefit?	What is the source(s) of the resource?	How will the resource be integrated and coordinated with LIHEAP?
Cash Donations	Benefit	Community Members	Cash donations are used to offset utility bill assistance to low- income households.
Energy Education Funding	Resource	Regulated electric utilities	Avista, Idaho Power, Rocky Mountain Power, Intermountain Gas, Dominion Energy and AM Conservation provide funding to agencies to provide services such as: individualized education, host energy education events, and develop printed materials or provide energy conservation kits to customers, which increases the impact of bill assistance through energy conservation and education.
Donated Winter Clothing/Blankets	Benefit	Community Members	Donations of warm clothing and blankets to agency to be used to benefit low-income households and individuals.
Utility Funding for Weatherization	Benefit	Local Businesses	Funding allocated to agencies by utilities to be used to provide weatherization services to low- income housing.
Keep Kids Warm Program	Benefit	Regulated Utilities	Idaho Power, Intermountain Gas and the Salvation Army provide funding used to cover costs not allowable under LIHEAP.
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#### Section 15 - Training

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Section 15 – Training

Section 15: Training

**15.1 Describe the training you provide for each of the following groups: a. Grant recipient Staff:** 

$\boxtimes$	Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference				
How o	ften?				
	Annually				
	Biannually				
$\boxtimes$	As needed				
	Other - Describe:				
$\boxtimes$	Employees are provided with policy manual				
	Other - Describe:				
b. Loc	al Agencies:				
$\boxtimes$	Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference				
How o	ften?				
$\boxtimes$	Annually				
	Biannually				
$\boxtimes$	As needed				
$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe: Training is provided at least annually. Subgrantee staff may request or receive additional training as needed.				
$\boxtimes$	Employees are provided with policy manual				
	Other - Describe:				
c. Ven					
$\square$	Formal training provided virtually, on-site, and/or formal training conference				
How o					
	Annually				
	Biannually				
$\boxtimes$	As needed				
	Other - Describe:				
$\boxtimes$	Policies communicated through vendor agreements				
	Policies are outlined in a vendor manual				
15.2 D	15.2 Does your training program address fraud reporting and prevention?				
$\boxtimes$	Yes 🛛 Vo				

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

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16.1 Describe your progress toward meeting the data collection and reporting requirements of the four required LIHEAP performance measures. Include timeframes and plans for meeting these requirements and what you believe will be accomplished in the coming federal Fiscal Year.

Idaho continues to collect data on the four required LIHEAP performance measures. The four required measures are as follows:

-Energy Burden Targeting (all households)

-Energy Burden Targeting (high burden households)

-Restoration of Home Energy Service

-Prevention of Loss of Home Energy Service

Idaho evaluates data collection related to federal reporting requirements quarterly to minimize inaccurate data. This is expected to continually improve the quality of data collected within the statewide database.

Idaho's LIHEAP Intake Manual is reviewed annually to include any policy and/or process improvements to support integrity of data collection. Collection of the four data points related to the Performance Data form were incorporated into this policy manual. This manual is used by LIHEAP intake staff and program managers.

Idaho hosts monthly meetings with our subgrantee's to discuss challenges with program delivery and to identify solutions. Changes to current process are then incorporated into the policy manual to ensure high-quality program implementation and accurate data collection.

Idaho's vendor agreement requires vendors to submit cost and consumption data reports annually. The data will be analyzed in preparation for reporting on the LIHEAP Performance Measures report.

Idaho will continue to review LIHEAP performance measure data to aid in interpreting the state's approach to enhancing LIHEAP program delivery.

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	raud Reporting Mechanism		· · /					
a. Des	cribe all mechanisms availa	ble to	the public for repo	rting	cases of suspected w	vaste,		
fraud	, and abuse. Select all that a	oply.						
$\boxtimes$	Online Fraud Reporting							
$\boxtimes$	Dedicated Fraud Reporting	Hotli	ne					
$\boxtimes$	Report directly to local ager	ncy/di	strict office or Grant	recipi	ient office			
	Report to State Inspector Ge	eneral	or Attorney General					
$\boxtimes$	Forms and procedures in pla	ice fo	r local agencies/distr	ict off	fices and vendors to r	eport		
	fraud, waste, and abuse							
	Posted in local administering	g age	ncies offices					
	Other - Describe:							
b. Des	scribe strategies in place for	adve	rtising the above ref	ferenc	ced resources. Select	all t	nat	
apply	1							
	Printed outreach materials							
$\square$	Addressed on LIHEAP appl	icatio	on					
$\boxtimes$	Website							
	Printed outreach materials							
	Other - Describe: Idaho state	ewide	e 2-1-1 customer care	-line				
17.2.1	dentification Documentation	n Rec	quirements					
	icate which of the following					o be		
collect	ted from LIHEAP applicant	s or t	heir household men					
_		Collected from Whom?						
Type of	of Identification Collected		Applicant ()nly		All Household			
		Housenoid Membe		Members				
	Security card is			· ·				
photoc	copied and retained		Requested		Requested		Requested	
	Security number (Without	mber (Without $\boxtimes$ Required $\square$ Required $\square$ Required $\square$ Requested $\square$ Requested $\boxtimes$ Requested		<u>^</u>				
actual	Card)			Requested				
Gover	rnment-issued identification		Required		Required		Required	
card (i	i.e., driver's license, state ID,	$\boxtimes$	Requested		Requested		Requested	

Tri	ibal ID, passport, etc.)						
		Applicant	Applicant	All Adults	All Adults	All	All
	Other	Only	Only	in	in	Household	Household
	otilor	Required	Requested	Household	Household	Members	Members
	Desumented Defusees		1	Required	Requested	Required	Requested
1	Documented Refugees and Lawful Permanent		П			$\boxtimes$	
1	Resident (LPR) visa						
<b>b.</b> ]	Describe any exceptions	s to the above	policies.		I	I	
	plicants do not have to p						
	blicant is living temporar	•				Ų	
	uired. The reason that an						
	he intake database. The vide an SSN during prog						
-	curity number. If a house					÷	
	y will be unable to partic	•		·	r		, , . , . , . , . , . , . , . , .
17.	3 Identification Verifica	ation					
	scribe what methods ar		•	icity of identif	ication docum	ents provided	by clients
or	household members. Se			1			
		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 death records from Social Security Administration of state agency Match SSNs with state eligibility/case management system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)					
		Match with state Department of Labor system					
		Aatch with state Department of Labor system Aatch with state and/or federal corrections system					
		Match with state child support system					
		Verification using private software (e.g., The Work Number)					
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	*	In-person certification by staff (for tribal grant recipients only) Match SSN/Tribal ID number with tribal database or enrollment records (for tribal grant					
	recipients only)					-	
$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe: In	-person certifi	cation by staff	, duplicate SSN	I check in state	wide database	
	4. Citizenship or Legal						
	nat are your procedures n-citizens who are quali					or qualified	
						n	
	Client's submission	Clients sign an attestation of citizenship or U.S. citizen or qualified non-citizen. Client's submission of Social Security cards is accepted as proof of U.S. citizen or qualified					
	non-citizen.						
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					ation papers, or	r passport.	
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$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe: F		•	households, st	ate eligibility	system provide	s verification
	through SSA and SA	AVE interfaces	5.				
	5. Income Verification	anner utiliza	to vorify hour	abold in come	Coloct all the	t apply	
	nat methods does your aRequire document					it apply.	
	^	ation of meon		nousenoiu mer			
	-	ard letters					
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	-	ments					
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$\boxtimes$	Income information matched against state computer system (e.g., SNAP, TANF)
$\boxtimes$	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. I	Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality
	ibe the financial and operating controls in place to protect client information against
impro	per use or disclosure. Select all that apply.
$\square$	Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent
$\square$	Grant recipient LIHEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards.
$\square$	Employee training on confidentiality for:
$\square$	Grant recipient employees
$\square$	Local agencies/district offices
$\boxtimes$	Employees must sign confidentiality agreement
$\boxtimes$	Grant recipient employees
$\square$	Local agencies/district offices
$\square$	Physical files are stored in a secure location.
$\square$	Electronic files are protected in a secure location.
$\boxtimes$	Other - Describe: Electronic files are uploaded and stored in the statewide database which includes
	privacy/confidentiality safeguards.
	Verifying the Authenticity
-	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: Each LIHEAP energy vendor must sign a vendor agreement in order to receive LIHEAP payments.
17.8. I	Senefits Policy - Gas and Electric Utilities
	policies are in place to protect against fraud when making benefit payments to gas and
	ic 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.
$\square$	Payments to utilities and invoices from utilities are reviewed for accuracy.
$\boxtimes$	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.
	Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above and provide enforcement
$\boxtimes$	mechanism.

	Other - Describe: verification of current utility bill must be obtained from the applicant or vendor. Vendor
$\boxtimes$	monitoring is conducted to ensure payment processing meets timelines, is accurate and that customers are
	not treated adversely.
17.9. I	Senefits Policy - Bulk Fuel Vendors
What	procedures are in place for averting fraud and improper payments when dealing with
	uel suppliers of heating oil, propane, wood, and other bulk fuel vendors? Select all that
apply.	
	Vendors are checked against an approved vendor list.
$\square$	Centralized computer system/database is used to track payments to all vendors.
$\square$	Clients are relied on for reports of non-delivery or partial delivery.
	Two-party checks are issued naming client and vendor.
$\boxtimes$	Direct payment to households is 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.
$\square$	Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement
	mechanism
	Other - Describe:
-	Investigations and Prosecutions
	ibe the Grant recipient's procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud,
	ny sanctions placed on clients, staff, or vendors found to have committed fraud. Select
	it apply.
	Refer to state Inspector General.
	Refer to local prosecutor or state Attorney General.
	Refer to U.S. DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline).
	Local agencies/district offices or Grant recipient conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public.
	Grant recipient attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process.
$\boxtimes$	Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? 12 months
$\boxtimes$	Contracts with local agencies require that employees found to have committed fraud are reprimanded and/or terminated.
$\boxtimes$	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

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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.
- 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 Non-procurement 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 Non-procurement 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 a 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

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families August 1987, revised 05/92, 02/95, 03/96, 12/98, 11/01 OMB Clearance No.: 0970-0075 Expiration Date: 02/28/2027

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Section 19 – Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

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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 STATEWIDE AND STATE AGENCY-WIDE certifications, and for notification of criminal drug convictions. For the Department of Health and Human Services, the central point 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 recipient'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 grant recipient shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).

Definitions of terms in the Non-procurement 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 recipient's 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 recipient's 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 recipient'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 grant recipient'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 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 (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

\* Address Line 1, do not enter P.O. Box

450 W. State Street

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

*City	*State	*Zip Code
Boise	Idaho	83702
Check if the	ere are workplaces on file that are not identified	ed here. Alternate II. (Grant recipients
Who Are In	dividuals)	
unlawf conduc (b) If co conduc calenda agency	e grant recipient certifies that, as a condition of ul manufacture, distribution, dispensing, pos- eting any activity with the grant; onvicted of a criminal drug offense resulting et of any grant activity, he or she will report the ar days of the conviction, to every grant office designates a central point for the receipt of st al point, it shall include the identification num	session, or use of a controlled substance in from a violation occurring during the he conviction, in writing, within 10 er or other designee, unless the Federal uch notices. When notice is made to such
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#### Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

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#### Section 20 – Certification Regarding Lobbying

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.

#### Section 21: Assurances

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

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-forprofit 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.

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#### **Plan Attachments**

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## **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).

**Optional: Policy Manual** 

Optional: Subrecipient contract

Optional: Model Plan Participation notes for Tribes