



Recovery Update from the Iowa Office of Energy Independence

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The National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) recently released several documents that will be useful to the cities and counties who will receive **Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)** funding directly from the Department of Energy (DOE).

- Three sample applications for the directly-funded cities and counties can be found at <http://www.energy.iowa.gov/ARRA09/EECBG.html>
- The sample applications include completed project activity worksheets and Energy Efficiency & Conservation Strategies
- These documents offer a terrific example for cities and counties to use with their applications and provide an alternative to hiring consultants to complete this work
- All other cities and counties will apply for funding through the Office of Energy Independence (OEI)
- OEI and the directly-funded cities and counties will submit their applications to DOE on June 25, 2009
- Final applications to receive OEI's EECBG funding will not be available until DOE approves our application (DOE must respond by August 25, 2009)
- DOE webcast presentations for the EECBG program can be found at <http://www.eecbg.energy.gov/solutioncenter/webcasts/default.html>

OEI has received many requests for information regarding the recently-released application and instructions for OEI's **State Energy Program (SEP)**.

- The documents released so far are in draft form and should not be filled out or submitted to OEI
- Finalized applications and instructions cannot be released and no deadlines can be announced until DOE gives their approval for OEI's comprehensive application (DOE must respond by July 12, 2009)
- Individuals and organizations interested in SEP funding should begin their building audits and any other energy analyses as soon as possible in order to quickly complete OEI's SEP applications once released
- Interested individuals and organizations should also become familiar with the Energy Star Portfolio Manager software at www.energystar.gov

We're also pleased to announce that DOE has released additional information for the **Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability** programs and for **Fossil Energy Research & Development**.

- Maximum awards available under the **Smart Grid Investment Grant Program** have been increased from \$20 million to \$200 million
- Maximum awards available under the **Smart Grid Demonstration Projects** have been increased from \$40 million to \$100 million
- Both smart grid opportunities are still in draft form and finalized guidance is expected sometime this summer



- Five notices of intent to issue guidance for **Fossil Energy Research & Development** were also recently released and their links are included below

Finally, please remember that the deadline for **Advanced Research Projects** funding is next Tuesday, June 2nd.

- New guidance was released this week which provides step-by-step instructions on how to submit concept papers for project ideas
- The original and amended guidance documents are both included below

As always, thank you for your interest in the Recovery programs and in our activities. We look forward to working with you in the coming weeks.

Smart Grid Investment Grant Program

<https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=ebe206ba070c516398e5f68a1ad0979f&tab=core&tabmode=list&cck=1&au=&ck>

Smart Grid Demonstration Projects

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=WyBfJnBHbDsyyJkw3TKRQWLZ9pMTShVMVgDnLYgZCkpDSCyCskzv!-747979520?oppld=46836&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>

Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS) from Industrial Sources and Innovative Concepts for Beneficial CO2 Use

http://www.fossil.energy.gov/programs/sequestration/publications/arra/noi_iccs.pdf

Clean Coal Power Initiative

http://www.fossil.energy.gov/programs/sequestration/publications/arra/noi_arra_ccpi.pdf

Geologic Sequestration Training and Research

http://www.fossil.energy.gov/programs/sequestration/publications/arra/noi_geologic_sequestration_training_univ.pdf

Regional Sequestration Technology Training

http://www.fossil.energy.gov/programs/sequestration/publications/arra/noi_geologic_sequestration_training.pdf

Site Characterization of Promising Geologic Formations for CO2 Storage

http://www.fossil.energy.gov/programs/sequestration/publications/arra/noi_site_characterization.pdf

Advanced Research Projects Agency

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=1HgLJ25MN7TYvQG2yv5yGTwxGpj1wdkyvVb5Q2MmR6SQg7I42zsm!-1267850137?oppld=47045&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>