FUND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS

Program: Minerals and Mining Projects - Tribal Energy Development Capacity Grant (TEDC)

Type of Funding: Non Recurring - One Time Competitive Grant

Funding Authority/Responsibility: 25 U.S.C. 2106 (Indian Mineral Development Act of 1982): 86 Stat 1940,

Pub.L. 97-382. 16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq. (Umatilla Basin Project Act), Pub.L. 100-557. Energy Policy Act of 2005

25 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. (Pub.L. 102-486, Title XXVI – The Energy Policy Act of 1992, § 2601, as amended Pub.L. 109-58, Title V, § 503(a), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 764.)

The Director, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development has responsibility for this program.

Criteria for Distribution: TEDC grants are funded through non-recurring appropriations made by the United States Congress in the Federal budget. These funds are provided on a yearly basis.

The DEMDs obligation under this solicitation is contingent on receipt of congressionally appropriated funds. No liability on the part of the U.S. Government for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Grant Officer for this grant and until the recipient receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Grant Officer.

- a. All payments under this Grant will be made by electronic funds transfer through the Treasury Financial Management Service, Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) site at http://www.asap.gov/. The Recipient must be registered with the BIA in ASAP.
- b. The Recipient will submit all official invoices to the Bureau Project Officer, not more than once per month.
- c. All payments will be deposited in the banking information designated by the Recipient in the System for Awards Management (SAM).

The TEDC program is to develop tribal management, organizational and technical capacity needed to maximize the economic impact of energy resource development on Indian land. The TEDC grant gives tribes the ability to develop or enhance their business and regulatory environment for energy resource development. Grant awards are discretionary, and subject to the availability of funds as appropriated by Congress on a yearly basis.

TEDC Proposed Projects must include building tribal capacity to:

- Develop organizational structures;
- Develop business entity structures;
- Develop or enhance regulatory functions.

All of the functions are related to building tribal energy development capacity for the purpose of strengthening tribal capacity for development and management of energy projects.

DEMD requires that grant proposals include: (1) a current tribal resolution authorizing the proposed project, (2) a proposal describing the planned activities and deliverable products; (3) a detailed budget estimate; and (4) a designated tribal lead.

Distribution Process:

- Release of solicitation posted to grants.gov for grant proposals (February each year)
- Close acceptance for any more grant proposals (90 days from release of solicitation)
- Review and ranking process for the grants (Within 30 days from close date)
- Applicants receiving an award will receive a written notification of funding which will demonstrate the intent to partially fund or to fund the project in full. Subsequent to notification of funding, a grant agreement will be made available to the tribe for review and signature. (Within 30 days of ranking process)
- Once the Grant Officer has received the signed agreement, a requisition will be processed and funds will be awarded and released to the tribe's Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) account. (Within 3 days of signature receipt)
- Those applicants not receiving an award will also be notified in writing. (Within 30 days)