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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Energy to accept and expend federal grant funds in the amount of \$48,126 from the U.S. Department of Transportation - Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (USDOT-PHMSA) for non-gas related work performed in the enforcement of the Underground Utility Damage Prevention System effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

These federal grant funds are to be budgeted in the One Call Grant accounting unit as follows:

02-52-52-520010-18990000 One Call Grant				
Class - Account	Class Description	Current FY24 Budget	Request	Modified FY24 Budget
<b>Expenses</b>				
041 - 500801	AUDIT FUND SET ASIDE	\$0	\$49	\$49
050 - 500109	PERSONAL SERVICE TEMP APPOI	\$0	\$33,688	\$33,688
060 - 500601	BENEFITS	\$0	\$14,389	\$14,389
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$48,126</b>	<b>\$48,126</b>
<b>Revenue</b>				
000-407735-16	One Call Grant	\$0	\$48,126	\$48,126
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$48,126</b>	<b>\$48,126</b>

### EXPLANATION

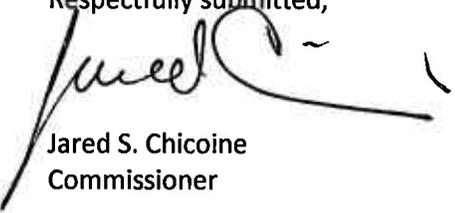
The enforcement of New Hampshire laws pertaining to gas related DigSafe violations is funded, in part, through a USDOT Natural Gas Pipeline Safety grant. USDOT also provides partial funding for the enforcement of non-gas related DigSafe activities. The Department requests authorization to accept and expend \$48,126 in USDOT-PHMSA grant funds for non-gas DigSafe enforcement activities, related to telephone, cable, electric, water, and sewer facilities, and to budget the funds as follows:

- Class 041-500801 Audit Set Aside Fund will be used to cover the 0.1% charge of the federal grant funds for audit purposes.
- Class 050-500109 Personal Service Temp Appointment – Part Time Salaries will be used to support the portion of salary costs for current staff associated with the non-gas DigSafe enforcement. No new employees will be hired.
- Class 060-500601 Benefits will be used to cover the benefits costs associated with current staff time spent on non-gas DigSafe enforcement.

In the event that Federal funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support these expenditures.

Your consideration of our request is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



Jared S. Chicoine  
Commissioner

**ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT**

1. Award No. 693JK32340016PSOC		2. Modification No.	3. Effective Date 09/22/2023	4. CFDA No. 20.721
5. Awarded To EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHI Attn: Paul Kasper 21 S FRUIT ST STE 10 CONCORD NH 033012428		6. Sponsoring Office PHH Grants and Registration 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington DC 20590		7. Period of Performance 10/01/2023 through 09/30/2024
8. Type of Agreement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Other	9. Authority		10. Purchase Request or Funding Document No. PH956-23-0029	
11. Remittance Address EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHI Attn: JANE LEMIRE 21 SOUTH FRUIT STREET CONCORD NH 033013834		12. Total Amount Govt. Share: \$48,126.00  Cost Share : \$0.00  Total : \$48,126.00		13. Funds Obligated This action: \$48,126.00  Total : \$48,126.00
14. Principal Investigator		15. Program Manager REX EVANS Phone: 217-801-8014		16. Administrator PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SA Acquisition Services Division 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, East Bldg, Washington DC 20590
17. Submit Payment Requests To PHMSA Delphi eInvoicing System <a href="https://einvoice.esc.gov">https://einvoice.esc.gov</a>		18. Paying Office PHMSA Delphi eInvoicing System <a href="https://einvoice.esc.gov">https://einvoice.esc.gov</a>		19. Submit Reports To
20. Accounting and Appropriation Data 5172323TB5.2023.PSGRT02020.50D0207000.41050.61000000.0000000000.0000000000.0000000000.0000000000				
21. Research Title and/or Description of Project				
For the Recipient		For the United States of America		
22. Signature of Person Authorized to Sign 		25. Signature of Grants/Agreements Officer TREMAYNE WOODING TERRY: Digitally signed by TREMAYNE WOODING TERRY Date: 2023.09.22 09:41:07 -04'00'		
23. Name and Title Paul Kasper, Director Enfor		24. Date Signed 9/26/23	26. Name of Officer TREMAYNE TERRY	27. Date Signed