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The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
and
His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu,
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Energy to accept and expend Federal Funds in the amount of \$2,471,268 from the United States Department of Energy, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

Funding to be budgeted as follows:

02-52-52-520510-40470000 BIL GRID RESILIENCY

Class	Class Description	Current FY25 Budget	Request	Modified FY25 Budget
000/404590-16	FEDERAL FUNDS	\$6,596,311	\$2,471,268	\$9,067,579
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$6,596,311	\$2,471,268	\$9,067,579
020/500200	CURRENT EXPENSES	\$1,447	\$0	\$1,447
	EQUIPMENT NEW REPLACEMENT			
030/500301		\$7,680	\$0	\$7,680
037/500173	TECHNOLOGY-HARDWARE	\$589	\$0	\$589
038/500175	TECHNOLOGY-SOFTWARE	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
039/500180	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$595	\$500	\$1,095
040/501587	INDIRECT COSTS	\$66,272	\$22,342	\$88,614
041/500801	AUDIT FUND SET ASIDE	\$6,599	\$2,471	\$9,070
059/500117	TEMP FULL TIME	\$126,283	\$74,500	\$200,783
060/500601	BENEFITS	\$80,538	\$21,750	\$102,288
066/500543	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
070/500704	IN STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEME	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
072/500573	GRANTS FEDERAL	\$6,288,808	\$2,347,705	\$8,636,513
080/500710	OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REIMB	\$12,000	\$0	\$12,000
	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$6,596,311	\$2,471,268	\$9,067,579

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EXPLANATION

The Department of Energy received these funds from the US Department of Energy’s Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid as a result of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The amount awarded is based on a federal formula, with each state and territory receiving a set amount, provided the state or territory filed a compliant application. These funds will be used by the Department of Energy to provide grants to electric distribution utilities in the state to complete improvements to their distribution systems that reduce the frequency and duration of outages. The Department of Energy has now received the second tranche of this grant, with additional allocations being made by the US Department of Energy over the next eight years.

Funds are requested for the following purposes:

Class 039 – Telecommunications	Telecom and data costs
Class 040 – Indirect Costs	Department indirect costs.
Class 041 – Audit Fund Set Aside	.1% audit fund set aside requirements.
Class 059 – Temp Full time	Current personnel doing work on the program
Class 060 - Benefits	Benefits for personnel doing work on the program
Class 066 – Employee Training	Training for personnel
Class 072 – Grants-Federal	Grants to Municipalities

In the event Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



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Commissioner

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Fiscal Situation

02-52-52-520510-40470000 BIL GRID RESILIENCY

Total Grant Award to Date	\$9,091,065
Less: Original Amount Requested	<u>\$6,619,797</u>
Requested Action	\$2,471,268

ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

1. Award No. DE-GD0000030		2. Modification No. 0001	3. Effective Date 07/09/2024	4. CFDA No. 81.254
5. Awarded To Executive Office Of The State Of New Hampshi Attn: Leonard Rautio 21 S Fruit St Ste 10 Concord NH 033012428		6. Sponsoring Office Grid Deployment Office (GD) U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, SW Forrestal Building , GD-1 Washington DC 20585		7. Period of Performance 09/01/2023 through 04/30/2032
8. Type of Agreement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Other	9. Authority See Page 2		10. Purchase Request or Funding Document No. 24GD000361	
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: \$9,091,065.00 Cost Share : \$1,363,660.00 Total : \$10,454,725.00		13. Funds Obligated This action: \$2,471,268.00 Total : \$9,091,065.00
14. Principal Investigator	15. Program Manager Joshua T. Metz Phone: 3048909423		16. Administrator U.S. DOE/NETL NATIONAL ENERGY TECH LAB 3610 Collins Ferry Road Morgantown WV 26505-2353	
17. Submit Payment Requests To Payment - Direct Payment from U.S. Dept of Treasury		18. Paying Office Payment - Direct Payment from U.S. Dept of Treasury		19. Submit Reports To See Attachment 3
20. Accounting and Appropriation Data See Schedule				
21. Research Title and/or Description of Project Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) - PREVENTING OUTAGES AND ENHANCING THE RESILIENCE OF THE ELECTRIC GRID FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES AND INDIAN TRIBES				
For the Recipient			For the United States of America	
22. Signature of Person Authorized to Sign			25. Signature of Grants/Agreements Officer 	
23. Name and Title	24. Date Signed	26. Name of Officer Jessica L. Adams		27. Date Signed 07/09/2024