

programmatic balance/priorities in making the recommendations.

6. Announce selections.

7. Contact selected applicants and request a completed grant application and final workplan.

8. Final Applications/Workplans reviewed and submitted for Funding Award.

EPA employees as well as GMP reviewers and/or panel members who intend to serve as reviewers and score project proposals will be required to sign a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form and will not be able to serve as a reviewer if they have a personal, familial, or financial or any other type of conflict of interest with any applicant that cannot be mitigated. If an individual has a conflict of interest with respect to a proposal, then they cannot review any proposals under this competition.

The Director of the Gulf of Mexico Program is the Approval Official who will make the final selection recommendations.

#### Anticipated Announcement Date

GMPO will post a list of all proposals selected for funding on or about August 31, 2006. The list will be posted at the following site: <http://www.epa.gov/gmpo>. All applicants, including those who are not selected for funding will be notified within 15 days by e-mail and postal mail.

#### VI. Award Administration Information

##### Award Notices

EPA has 60 days to issue an award following receipt of the complete, fundable Application Package. Final funding decisions are based upon the Application Packages.

##### Pre-award Review for Administrative Capability

Non-profit applicants that are recommended for funding will be subject to pre-award administrative capability reviews consistent with paragraphs 8.b, 8.c, and 9.d of EPA Order 5700.8 [http://www.epa.gov/ogd/grants/award/5700\\_8.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/ogd/grants/award/5700_8.pdf) and may be required to fill out an "Administrative Capability" form.

In accordance with Executive Order 12579, organizations that have been debarred or suspended from a program by any federal agency will not be eligible to receive an award or subaward through this solicitation.

##### Administrative and Reporting Requirements

The successful applicant will be required to adhere to the Federal grants requirements, particularly those found

in applicable OMB circulars on Cost Principles (A-21, A-87, or A-122), Administrative Requirements (A-102 or 110), and Audit Requirements (A-133) available from <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/>. This includes government-wide requirements pertaining to accounting standards, lobbying, minority or woman business enterprise, publication, meetings, construction, and disposition of property. EPA regulations governing assistance programs and recipients are codified in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Those requirements, GMPO-specific requirements currently in effect, and the application materials that will be needed by applicants ultimately selected in this process can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/gmpo>. The successful Federal applicant will be required to comply with the OMB Circular and appropriate sections of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations determined applicable by GMPO. This determination will be embodied in the terms and conditions of an interagency agreement.

##### Dispute Resolution Process

Assistance agreement competition-related disputes involving any applicant, including Federal applicants, will be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution procedures published in 70 FR (Federal Register) 3629, 3630 (January 26, 2005) which can be found at <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-1371.htm>. Copies of these procedures may also be requested by contacting [coblentz.esther@epa.gov](mailto:coblentz.esther@epa.gov).

##### Other Requirements

Please note that this is not a complete list of all regulations and policies that govern these funds. Our Grants Management Office Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/region4/grants/regulations.html> identifies other grant regulations that apply.

#### VII. Agency Contact

##### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Esther Coblentz,  
[Coblentz.esther@epa.gov](mailto:Coblentz.esther@epa.gov), Phone: 228-688-1281.

In accordance with EPA's Assistance Agreement Competition Policy (EPA Order 5700.5A1), EPA staff will not meet with individual applicants to discuss draft proposals, provide informal comments on draft proposals, or provide advice to applicants on how to respond to ranking criteria. Applicants are responsible for the contents of their applications/proposals.

However, EPA will respond to questions in writing from individual applicants regarding threshold eligibility criteria, administrative issues related to the submission of the proposal, and requests for clarification about the announcement.

#### VIII. Other information

Funding amounts are estimates of the maximum amount expected to be available for FY 2006-2007, based on our best available information. These amounts are subject to change without further notification, based on the amount of federal funds actually appropriated and allocated for these programs.

Although an Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424 and attachments) is not required when the proposal is submitted, we encourage you to review our grant application package at <http://www.epa.gov/gmpo> to become familiar with the information and certifications that will be required if your proposal is selected for funding.

Dated: June 8, 2006.

**Gloria D. Car,**

*Deputy Director, Gulf of Mexico Program Office.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2006-0344; FRL-8060-1]

#### Pollution Prevention Information Network Grants; Request for Applications

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the authority of the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990, EPA anticipates that approximately \$700,000 will be available to support grants to States in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 for programs to promote the use of successful pollution prevention techniques by businesses and technical assistance providers. This grant program seeks to increase access to pollution prevention information and ensure this information is available to all facilities, businesses, or technical assistance providers. Federal funds must be matched dollar for dollar in this grant program. The maximum cost of an application is \$240,000 with \$120,000 from Federal funding.

**DATES:** Applications must be received on or before July 31, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beth Anderson, Pollution Prevention Division (7409M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8833; fax number: (202) 564-8899; e-mail address: [anderson.beth@epa.gov](mailto:anderson.beth@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does This Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to States, State entities (colleges and universities), Tribes, and Intertribal Consortia. This notice may, however, be of interest to local governments, private universities, private nonprofit entities, private businesses, and individuals who are not eligible for this grant program. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

*B. How Can I Get Copies of This Document and Other Related Information?*

1. *Docket.* EPA has established a docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2006-0344; FRL-8060-1. Publicly available docket materials are available electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the OPPT Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Rm. B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr>.

**II. Overview**

The following listing provides certain key information concerning the application opportunity.

- *Federal agency name:* Environmental Protection Agency.
- *Funding opportunity title:* Pollution Prevention Information Network Grants.
- *Funding opportunity number:* EPA-OPPT-06-15.
- *Announcement type:* Request for applications.
- *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number:* 66.708.

- *Dates:* Applications must be received on or before July 31, 2006.

The full text of the grant announcement, along with detailed information, is available on the Agency's Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/p2home/grants/index.htm>. The full text of the grant announcement includes specific information regarding purpose and scope, activities to be funded, eligibility requirements, application and submission information, and application review information.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Grant programs-environmental protection, Pollution prevention.

Dated: June 7, 2006.

**Susan B. Hazen,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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**EXPORT-IMPORT BANK**

**[Public Notice 88]**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Export Import Bank of the U.S.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Export-Import Bank, as a part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to comment on the proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Our customers will be able to submit this form on paper or electronically. The form has been updated in the following ways:

- The application now accommodates requests for Finance Lease Guarantee coverage. Information on Lessees and Lessors is requested in those circumstances.
- The application accommodates requests for Foreign Dealer Insurance policies. A separate one-page attachment (Attachment IV) is required when the applicant requests this coverage.
- The format has been changed so that it accords with the on-line version of the form which will be made available later in 2006. Formatting changes include:
  - The names of the applicant and broker have been moved up to the first item.

—Section 1 has been relabeled "General Questions" instead of "Financing Type Requested".

—Requests for Special Coverages have been moved up in front of the Participants section.

- Information about a new participant, the agent, is now requested. Gathering this information helps Ex-Im Bank evaluate the creditworthiness of the transaction.

- Legal certifications have been updated.

Additional changes since we published the form in the **Federal Register** on April 7, 2006:

- Section 8 D. "Commitment Fee/Facility Fee Agreement (Guarantees and Credit Guarantee Facilities only)" has been added. This section was omitted in error from the previous submission but is currently asked on the existing version of the medium-term application form currently approved by OMB and posted on Ex-Im Bank's Web site. It does not represent a new question for customers.

- Attachment VI, Form of Fee letter has been added. This attachment provides a template fee letter that needs to be filled out and signed by the borrower in the following circumstances:

- The application is for a guarantee or a credit guarantee facility;
- The applicant is the guaranteed lender or the exporter, and
- The applicant is signing the application but the borrower is committing to pay the commitment or facility fee.

This is not a new letter but a more clear presentation of an existing requirement.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before July 17, 2006 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Please direct all comments to David Rostker, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information And Regulatory Affairs, NEOB, Room 10202, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-5897. Direct requests for additional information to Angela Beckham, Export-Import Bank of the U.S., 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, (800) 565-3946, extension 3418. For copies of the proposed form, please direct your request to Solomon Bush, Export-Import Bank of the U.S., 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, (800) 565-3946, extension 3353. A copy of the form is posted on our Web site at: [http://www.exim.gov/pub/pdf/eib03-02\\_prop.pdf](http://www.exim.gov/pub/pdf/eib03-02_prop.pdf).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**