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### **DETAILED MODEL PLAN (LIHEAP)**

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### **Mandatory Grant Application SF-424**

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### **Section 1 - Program Components**

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## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(LIHEAP) MODEL PLAN SF - 424 - MANDATORY

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THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT OF 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13)Use of this model plan is optional. However, the information requested is required in order to receive a Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant in years in which the grantee is not permitted to file an abbreviated plan. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### Section 1 Program Components

Program Components, 2605(a), 2605(b)(1) - Assurance 1, 2605(c)(1)(C)

(No	Check which components you will operate under the LIHEAP program. te: You must provide information for each component designated here as requested elsewhere in plan.)	Dates of Operation	
		Start Date	End Date
>	Heating assistance	10/01/2018	04/01/2019
>	Cooling assistance	04/02/2019	09/30/2019
>	Crisis assistance	10/01/2018	09/30/2019
>	Weatherization assistance	10/01/2018	09/30/2019

Provide further explanation for the dates of operation, if necessary

 $Estimated\ Funding\ Allocation,\ 2604(C),\ 2605(k)(1),\ 2605(b)(9),\ 2605(b)(16)\ -\ Assurances\ 9\ and\ 16$ 

1.2 Estimate what amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used for each component that you will operate: The total of all percentages must add up to 100%.			
Heating assistance	26.25%		
Cooling assistance	26.25%		
Crisis assistance	22.50%		
Weatherization assistance	15.00%		
Carryover to the following federal fiscal year	0.00%		
Administrative and planning costs	10.00%		
Services to reduce home energy needs including needs assessment (Assurance 16)	0.00%		
Used to develop and implement leveraging activities	0.00%		
TOTAL	100.00%		

Alternate Use of Crisis Assistance Funds, 2605(c)(1)(C)										
1.3 The funds reserved for winter crisis assistance that have not been expended by March 15 will be reprogrammed to:										
>	Heat	Heating assistance					Cooling assistance			
	Wear	therization assistance					Otl	her (specify:)		
Cate	gorical Eligibilit	y, 2605(b)(2)(A) - Assurance 2, 20	605(	e)(1)(A), 2605(b)(8	8A) - /	Assurance 8	*			
1.4 D		ouseholds categorically eligible i					follo	wing categories of	ben	efits in the left
_		s" to question 1.4, you must comp	olete	the table below a	nd an	swer questions 1.	.5 an	d 1.6.		
				Heating	1	Cooling	Ī	Crisis		Weatherization
TANI	7		•	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	•	Yes O No	$\odot$	Yes O No
SSI			•	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	•	Yes O No	•	Yes O No
SNAP	1		•	Yes O No	⊙	Yes O No	•	Yes O No	$\odot$	Yes C No
Mean	s-tested Veterans	Programs	•	Yes O No	•	Yes O No	•	Yes O No	•	Yes C No
		Program Name		Heating		Cooling		Crisis		Weatherization
Other	(Specify) 1			C Yes C No		C Yes C No		C Yes C No		C Yes C No
1.5 D	o you automatic	ally enroll households without a	dire	ct annual applicat	tion?	O Yes 💿 No				
	s, explain:									
when No di	determining eli fferentiation is m	re there is no difference in the tre gibility and benefit amounts? ade on the source(s) of household viewed and signed by a tribal progr	inco	nes. All sources of	_				_	_
SNA	P Nominal Payme	ents								
		LIHEAP funds toward a nomina	l pay	ment for SNAP h	ouseh	olds? O Yes •	No			
		s" to question 1.7a, you must pro								
1.7b	Amount of Nom	inal Assistance: \$0.00								
1.7c l	Frequency of As	sistance								
1	Once Per Year									
	Once every five	e years								
	Other - Describ	oe:								
1.7d	How do you con	firm that the household receiving	g a n	ominal payment h	nas an	energy cost or n	eed?			
Dete	main ation (CTI)	hilia. Caustalla I								
		bility - Countable Income		HEAD Jane		inoppe and t		0.9		
1.8. 1	Gross Income	household's income eligibility for	ı LI	near, ao you use	gros:	s income or net ii	icom	c:		
Net Income										
100										
1.9. S	Select all the app Wages	licable forms of countable incom	e use	ea to determine a	nouse	nota's income eli	igibil	ity for LIHEAP		
>	Self - Employm	ent Income								
>	Contract Incon	ne								
	Payments from	mortgage or Sales Contracts								
~	✓ Unemployment insurance									

	<u>                                       </u>								
	Strike Pay								
>	Social Security Administration (SSA ) benefits								
	<b>&gt;</b>	Including MediCare deduction		Excluding MediCare deduction					
<	Supp	lemental Security Income (SS	<b>I</b> )						
>	Retir	ement / pension benefits							
	Gene	ral Assistance benefits							
	Temp	orary Assistance for Needy F	amilie	s (TANF) benefits					
	Supp	lemental Nutrition Assistance	Progi	ram (SNAP) benefits					
	Wom	en, Infants, and Children Sup	pleme	ental Nutrition Program (WIC) benefits					
	Loan	s that need to be repaid							
	Cash	gifts							
	Savin	gs account balance							
	One-t	ime lump-sum payments, suc	h as re	ebates/credits, winnings from lotteries, refund deposits, etc.					
	Jury	duty compensation							
>	Rental income								
	Incon	ne from employment through	Work	force Investment Act (WIA)					
	Incon	ne from work study programs							
>	Alimo	ony							
	Child	support							
	Inter	est, dividends, or royalties							
	Comi	nissions							
	Legal	settlements							
	Insur	ance payments made directly	to the	insured					
	Insur	ance payments made specifica	ally for	r the repayment of a bill, debt, or estimate					
>	Veter	ans Administration (VA) bendance	efits						
	Earn	ed income of a child under the	age o	f 18					
	Balar	ace of retirement, pension, or	annuit	y accounts where funds cannot be withdrawn without a penalty.					
	Incon	ne tax refunds							

Stipends from senior companion programs, such as VISTA						
Funds received by household for the care of a foster child						
Ameri-Corp Program payments for living allowances, earnings, and in-kind aid						
Reimbursements (for mileage, gas, lodging, meals, etc.)						
Other						
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.						

### **Section 2 - HEATING ASSISTANCE**

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Section 2 - Heating Assistance							
Eligibility, 2605(t	b)(2) - Assurance 2						
2.1 Designate the	e income eligibility threshold used for the	heating co	omponent:				
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold			
1	All Household Sizes		State Median Income	60.00%			
2.2 Do you have additional eligibility requirements for HEATING ASSITANCE?							
2.3 Check the ap	propriate boxes below and describe the p	olicies for	each.				
Do you require a	nn Assets test ?	C Yes	<b>⊙</b> No				
Do you have add	litional/differing eligibility policies for:						
Renters?		C Yes	<b>⊙</b> No				
Renters Li	ving in subsidized housing ?	O Yes	<b>⊙</b> No				
Renters wi	ith utilities included in the rent ?	Oyes	⊙ <sub>No</sub>				
Do you give prio	rity in eligibility to:						
Elderly?		<b>⊙</b> Yes	C <sub>No</sub>				
Disabled?		• Yes	C <sub>No</sub>				
Young chil	dren?	⊙ Yes C No					
Household	s with high energy burdens ?	C Yes ⊙ No					
Other? To	otal Household income is 60%	• Yes	C <sub>No</sub>				
All applicants mu			Ya Nation. We will service all those who meet that risk allows us to precertify these households.	e requirement with equal priority.			
Determination of	Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(	(1)(B)					
2.4 Describe how you prioritize the provision of heating assistance tovulnerable populations, e.g., benefit amounts, early application periods, etc.  Our application asks for verification regarding family size, income, age and disabilities. We know our tribal people and the situations. All needs are addressed according to the individual needs. Knowing those who are at risk allows us to precertify these households.							
2.5 Check the va	riables you use to determine your benefit	levels. (Cł	neck all that apply):				
<b>✓</b> Income							
Family (household) size							
W Home energy cost or need:							
<b>✓</b> Fuel							
Climate/region							
<b>✓</b> Indi							
	elling type						
Energy burden (% of income spent on home energy)							

✓ Energy need									
Other - Describe:	Other - Describe:								
Disabled Household Member									
Elderly Household Member									
House with child age 6 or younger									
Total Household income is 60%									
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)	1								
Beliefit Ecvels, 2005(b)(3) - Assurance 3, 2005(c)(1)(B)	,								
2.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for FY 2018:									
Minimum Benefit	\$300	Maximum Benefit	\$600						
2.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., blankets, space heat	ers) and/or other fo	rms of benefits? • Yes No							
If yes, describe.									
For eligible households the tribe will purchase blankets	and/or throws for the	elderly, homebound and disabled. Generators, space heate	ers or kerosene						
heaters are purchased as needed, as funds are available.									
If any of the above questions require f	urther explana	tion or clarification that could not be ma	ide in the						
fields provided, attach a document wit	h said explana	tion here.							

### **Section 3 - COOLING ASSISTANCE**

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	Section 3 - Cooling Assistance						
Eligibility, 26050	(c)(1)(A), 2605 (b)(2) - Assurance 2						
	he income eligibility threshold used for the	e Cooling	component:				
Add	Household size		Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold			
1	All Household Sizes		State Median Income	60.00%			
3.2 Do you have COOLING ASSI	e additional eligibility requirements for ITANCE?	<b>⊙</b> Yes	C <sub>No</sub>				
3.3 Check the ar	ppropriate boxes below and describe the p	·					
Do you require a	an Assets test ?	O Yes	€ No				
Do you have add	ditional/differing eligibility policies for:						
Renters?		O Yes	€ No				
Renters L	iving in subsidized housing ?	C Yes	<b>⊙</b> No				
Renters w	vith utilities included in the rent ?	Oyes	<b>⊙</b> No				
Do you give price	ority in eligibility to:						
Elderly?		<b>⊙</b> Yes	C No				
Disabled?		<b>⊙</b> Yes	C No				
Young chi	ildren?	<b>⊙</b> Yes	C No				
Household	ds with high energy burdens ?	C Yes	⊙ No				
Other? To	otal Household income is 60%	<b>⊙</b> Yes	C No				
Explanations of	f policies for each "yes" checked above:						
All applicants mu	oust be an enrolled citizen of United Cheroked	e AniYunV	ViYa Nation				
We will service a	all those who meet the requirements with equ	ual priority	:				
We know our trib	bal people and their situations. Knowing tho	se who are	at risk allows us to precertify these households.				
3.4 Describe hov	w you prioritize the provision of cooling as	ssistance to	ovulnerable populations,e.g., benefit amounts,	, early application periods, etc.			
Our application asks for verification regarding family size, income, age and disabilities. We know our tribal people and their situations. All needs are addressed according to their individual needs. Knowing those who are at risk allows us to precertify these households.							
Determination of	f Benefits 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(	(1)(B)					
3.5 Check the va	ariables you use to determine your benefit	levels. (C	heck all that apply):				
<b>✓</b> Income							
Family (ho	ousehold) size						
✓ Home ener	rgy cost or need:						
	el type						

✓ Climate/region								
☑ Individual bill								
<b>✓</b> Dwelling type								
Energy burden (% of income spent on ho	ome energy)							
<b>☑</b> Energy need								
Other - Describe:								
Disabled Household Member								
Elderly Household Member								
Household with child age 6 or younger								
Total Household income is 60%								
Benefit Levels, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5, 2605(c)(1)(B)								
3.6 Describe estimated benefit levels for FY 2018:								
Minimum Benefit \$300 Maximum Benefit \$600								
3.7 Do you provide in-kind (e.g., fans, air conditioners) and/or other forms of benefits? • Yes O No								
If yes, describe.								
For eligible households the tribe will purchase fans or window air conditioning units for the elderly, homebound and disabled. Generators, floor fans, window air condition units, window fans are purchased as needed, as funds are available.								
If any of the above questions require full fields provided, attach a document with		tion or clarification that could not be ma	de in the					

### **Section 4 - CRISIS ASSISTANCE**

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	Section 4: CRISIS ASSISTANCE								
Eligibility - 2604	Eligibility - 2604(c), 2605(c)(1)(A)								
4.1 Designate th	e income eligibility threshold used for the crisis com	ponent							
Add Household size Eligibility Guideline Eligibility Threshold									
1	All Household Sizes	State Median Income	60.00%						
4.2 Provide your	r LIHEAP program's definition for determining a c	risis.							
A crisis can be an	ny number of circumstances to include but not limited t	0:							
Loss of job or red	duction in hours								
Climate extremes	s causing high energy costs								
Utility cutoff due	e to act of God or due to loss or reduction in income								
	ng system functions diminished or inoperable								
	ig system functions unminished of moperable								
4.3 What constit	tutes a <u>life-threatening crisis?</u>								
A sudden reducti	ion in Household Income-Primary wage earner has died	or become disabled; or loss of job							
Dwelling is burne	ed or damaged by an act of God								
Utility has alread	ly been shut off/shot off notice								
Medical necessity	у								
Empty Energy fu	nel tank								
Home heating/co	poling system inoperable, needs repair or assistance								
Needs for repairs	s or replacement of energy appliance that has failed to p	provide safe heating or cooling.							
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								
Crisis Requirem	nent. 2604(c)								
	many hours do you provide an intervention that wil	l resolve the energy crisis for eligible househo	lds? 24Hours						
4.5 Within how 12Hours	many hours do you provide an intervention that wil	l resolve the energy crisis for eligible househo	lds in life-threatening situations?						
Crisis Eligibility,	. 2605(c)(1)(A)								
	additional eligibility requirements for CRISIS	⊙ Yes ○ No							
ASSISTANCE?									
4.7 Check the appropriate boxes below and describe the policies for each									
Do you require a	an Assets test ?	C Yes O No							
Do you give prio	ority in eligibility to :								
Elderly?		⊙ Yes ○ No							
Disabled?		⊙ Yes ○ No							
Young Ch	Young Children?								

Households with high energy burdens?		C Yes O No	
Other? We will service all those who meet the requirements with equal priority		€ Yes C No	
In Order to receive crisis assistance:			
Must the household have received a shut-off notice or have a near empty tank?		€ Yes C No	
Must the househol	d have been shut off or have an empty tank?	⊙ Yes C No	
Must the househol	d have exhausted their regular heating benefit?	C Yes € No	
Must renters with received an eviction noti	heating costs included in their rent have ce ?	⊙ Yes C No	
Must heating/cooli	ng be medically necessary?	⊙ Yes C No	
Must the househol equipment?	d have non-working heating or cooling	○ Yes	
Other? Home dest	royed by fire or an act of God	⊙ Yes C No	
Do you have additional /	differing eligibility policies for:		
Renters?		C Yes O No	
Renters living in su	ubsidized housing?	C Yes O No	
Renters with utilit	ies included in the rent?	C Yes ⊙ No	
Explanations of policies	for each "yes" checked above:		
	enrolled citizen of United Cherokee AniYunWiYa	Nation	
Determination of Benefits			
4.8 How do you handle c	risis situations?		
>	Separate component		
	Fast Track		
Other - Describe:			
4.9 If you have a separat	e component, how do you determine crisis assista	ance benefits?	
~	Amount to resolve the crisis.		
	Other - Describe:		
Crisis Requirements, 2604	ł(c)		
4.10 Do you accept applications for energy crisis assistance at sites that are geographically accessible to all households in the area to be served?			
<b>⊙</b> Yes <b>○</b> No Expl	ain.		
Applications can be picked up at various locations, tribal office, via the internet or through postal service			
4.11 Do you provide individuals who are physically disabled the means to:			
Submit applications for crisis benefits without leaving their homes?			
€ Yes C No If No	o, explain.		
Travel to the sites at which applications for crisis assistance are accepted?			
If you answered "No" to both options in question 4.11, please explain alternative means of intake to those who are homebound or physically disabled?			
Benefit Levels, 2605(c)(1)(B)			
4.12 Indicate the maxim	um benefit for each type of crisis assistance offer	ed.	
Winter Crisis	Winter Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit		
Summer Crisis \$0.00 maximum benefit			
	\$0.00 maximum benefit		
Summer Crisis Year-round Crisis	•		

4.13 Do you provide in-kind (e.g. blankets, space heaters, fans) and/or other forms of benefits?				
• Yes O No If yes, Describe				
For eligible households the tribe will purchase blanker generators, floor fans, window fans and window air co			elderly, homebound and disabled. Space heaters, kerosene heaters, chased as needed, as funds are available.	
4.14 Do you provide for equipment repair or repla	cement using	g crisis fund	ds?	
• Yes • No				
If you answered "Yes" to question 4.14, you must o	complete qu	estion 4.15.		
4.15 Check appropriate boxes below to indicate type	oe(s) of assis	tance provid	ided.	
	Winter Summer Crisis Crisis			
Heating system repair			<b>▽</b>	
Heating system replacement			✓	
Cooling system repair			✓	
Cooling system replacement			✓	
Wood stove purchase			✓	
Pellet stove purchase			✓	
Solar panel(s)				
Utility poles / gas line hook-ups			✓	
Other (Specify): Water Heaters			✓	
4.16 Do any of the utility vendors you work with en	nforce a mor	atorium on	shut offs?	
⊙ Yes ○ No				
If you responded "Yes" to question 4.16, you must	respond to	question 4.1	17.	
4.17 Describe the terms of the moratorium and any	special disp	ensation re	eceived by LIHEAP clients during or after the moratorium period.	,
Most utitlity companies (ie. electric companies) charg	e a fee when	the utility is	s cut off.	
Most utility companies (ie. electric companies) charge a reconnect fee that must be paid in addition to any other charges.				
Most propane companies will charge an additional fee if fuel tank is empty.				
If any of the above questions require fields provided, attach a document w			ion or clarification that could not be made in the ion here.	

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### **Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE**

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Section 5: WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE				
Eligibility, 2605(c)	o(1)(A), 2605(b)(2) - Assur	rance 2		
5.1 Designate the i	ncome eligibility threshol	d used for the Weatheriz	cation component	
Add	Househo	old Size	Eligibility Guideline	Eligibility Threshold
1	All Household Sizes		State Median Income	60.00%
5.2 Do you enter in No	nto an interagency agreen	nent to have another gov	ernment agency administer a WEATF	HERIZATION component? C Yes •
5.3 If yes, name th	e agency.			
5.4 Is there a separ	rate monitoring protocol	for weatherization? 💽 Y	es C No	
WEATHERIZAT	ION - Types of Rules			
5.5 Under what ru	les do you administer LII	HEAP weatherization? (	Check only one.)	
Entirely und	ler LIHEAP (not DOE) ru	ules		
Entirely und	ler DOE WAP (not LIHE	AP) rules		
<b>✓</b> Mostly unde	er LIHEAP rules with the	following DOE WAP ru	le(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules of	liffer (Check all that apply):
Incom	e Threshold			
Weath	erization of entire multi-f	family housing structure	is permitted if at least 66% of units (5	50% in 2- & 4-unit buildings) are eligible
	ne eligible within 180 days		<u> </u>	8, 8
Weath care facilities).	erize shelters temporarily	y housing primarily low i	ncome persons (excluding nursing ho	mes, prisons, and similar institutional
Other	- Describe:			
Mostly unde	er DOE WAP rules, with t	the following LIHEAP ru	ile(s) where LIHEAP and WAP rules	differ (Check all that apply.)
Income Threshold				
Weath	erization not subject to D	OE WAP maximum stat	ewide average cost per dwelling unit.	
Weath	Weatherization measures are not subject to DOE Savings to Investment Ration (SIR ) standards.			
Other - Describe:				
Eligibility, 2605(b)(5) - Assurance 5				
5.6 Do you require	e an assets test?	C Yes O No		
5.7 Do you have ad	dditional/differing eligibil	ity policies for :		
Renters		⊙ Yes ◯ No		
Renters livin housing?	ng in subsidized	⊙Yes ○No		
5.8 Do you give priority in eligibility to:				
Elderly?		⊙ Yes C No		
Disabled?		• Yes O No		

Young Children?	• Yes O No		
House holds with high energy burdens?			
Other? We will service all those who meet the requirements with equal priority	⊙ Yes O No		
If you selected "Yes" for any of the options below.	s in questions 5.6, 5.7, or 5.8, yo	u must provide further explanation of these policies in the text field	
		omes with exception being made to include landlord in determination of ment, landlord portion and if any renters portion).	
We will service all those who meet the requir	ements with equal priority.		
Benefit Levels			
5.9 Do you have a maximum LIHEAP wea	therization benefit/expenditure	per household? • Yes O No	
5.10 If yes, what is the maximum? \$2,500			
Types of Assistance, 2605(c)(1), (B) & (D)			
5.11 What LIHEAP weatherization measures do you provide ? (Check all categories that apply.)			
Weatherization needs assessments/a	nudits	Energy related roof repair	
<b>✓</b> Caulking and insulation		Major appliance Repairs	
Storm windows		Major appliance replacement	
Furnace/heating system modification	ns/ repairs	Windows/sliding glass doors	
Furnace replacement		<b>✓</b> Doors	
Cooling system modifications/ repair	irs	<b>☑</b> Water Heater	
Water conservation measures		Cooling system replacement	
Compact florescent light bulbs		Other - Describe: Underpinning for mobile homes	
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the			

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### Section 6 - Outreach, 2605(b)(3) - Assurance 3, 2605(c)(3)(A)

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Section 6: Outreach, 2605(b)(3) - Assurance 3, 2605(c)(3)(A)
6.1 Select all outreach activities that you conduct that are designed to assure that eligible households are made aware of all LIHEAP assistance available:
Place posters/flyers in local and county social service offices, offices of aging, Social Security offices, VA, etc.
Publish articles in local newspapers or broadcast media announcements.
Include inserts in energy vendor billings to inform individuals of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance.
Mass mailing(s) to prior-year LIHEAP recipients.
Inform low income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHEAP assistance at application intake for other low-income programs.
Execute interagency agreements with other low-income program offices to perform outreach to target groups.
Other (specify):
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the

### Section 7 - Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4

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	Section 7: Coordination, 2605(b)(4) - Assurance 4
7.1 Desc WAP, et	ribe how you will ensure that the LIHEAP program is coordinated with other programs available to low-income households (TANF, SSI, c.).
<b>&gt;</b>	Joint application for multiple programs
<b>&gt;</b>	Intake referrals to/from other programs
<u>~</u>	One - stop intake centers
	Other - Describe:

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### Section 8 - Agency Designation,, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6

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Section 8: Agency Designation, 2605(b)(6) - Assurance 6 (Required for state grantees and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico)					
8.1 How	would you categorize the primary respons	ibility of your Stat	e agency?		
>	Administration Agency				
	Commerce Agency				
V	Community Services Agency				
	Energy / Environment Agency				
	Housing Agency				
	Welfare Agency				
	Other - Describe:				
Alternate Outreach and Intake, 2605(b)(15) - Assurance 15  If you selected "Welfare Agency" in question 8.1, you must complete questions 8.2, 8.3, and 8.4, as applicable.  8.2 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for HEATING ASSISTANCE?  8.3 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for COOLING ASSISTANCE?					
8.4 How do you provide alternate outreach and intake for CRISIS ASSISTANCE?					
8.5 LIHI	EAP Component Administration.	Heating	Cooling	Crisis	Weatherization
8.5a Wh	o determines client eligibility?	Other	Other	Other	Other
8.5b Who processes benefit payments to gas and electric vendors?  Other  Other					
8.5c who vendors	processes benefit payments to bulk fuel	Other	Other	Other	
	8.5d Who performs installation of weatherization measures?  Other		Other		
•	of your LIHEAP component lete questions 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, and		•	ered by a state a	gency, you must
8.6 What is your process for selecting local administering agencies?					

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We adm	inister this program through our Office
8.7 How	many local administering agencies do you use? 1
8.8 Have	e you changed any local administering agencies in the last year?
8.9 If so	, why?
	Agency was in noncompliance with grantee requirements for LIHEAP -
	Agency is under criminal investigation
	Added agency
	Agency closed
	Other - describe
	of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

### Section 9 - Energy Suppliers,, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7

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Section 9: Energy Suppliers, 2605(b)(7) - Assurance 7
9.1 Do you make payments directly to home energy suppliers?
Heating • Yes O No
Cooling • Yes O No
Crisis • Yes O No
Are there exceptions? O Yes O No
If yes, Describe.
9.2 How do you notify the client of the amount of assistance paid?  The original bills are presented to the tribal representative and the original information is kept on file at our Administrative Office after the criteria has been met. The tribal person is told in person, by phone or mail once payment determination is made. The payment is mailed within 48 hours or hand delivered when required. If the bill presented is a cut off notice, the individual is contacted as soon as possible. We immediately call and then fax and/or email confirmation to the utility of payment and mail the payment as soon as the funding is available.
9.3 How do you assure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the actual cost of the home energy and the amount of the payment?  The majority of the bills are presented and paid to city or county utilites. When filling a propane tank, the bill will be presented and paid and receipt given upon delivery. It is done in this fashion because there are minimum amounts of purchase for propane tank companies. Some propane companies will produce a quote. In these instances the pricing is usually only available for 10 days making it necessary to expedite processing these applications. When paying for wood, most of the time there are set rates for so much. We talk to them in advance also for verification and presentation of a bill. We have established a working relationship with the local utilities and/or vendors through phone and email. Any new vendors introduced by a citizen are contacted and an agreement is reached by phone or email. The citizens notify us if at any time their vendor does not credit their account the amount paid and we immediately contact the vendor to determine what is needed to correct this.
9.4 How do you assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of their receipt of LIHEAP assistance?  All applications are handled with confidentiality and are citizens of United Cherokee AniYunWiYa Nation. We communicate with the citizens and their vendors by telephone or emails to assure there is no conflict or adverse treatment. We have established working relationships and communication with the local vendors by phone and email. Any new vendors are contacted by phone and we work out any agreements necessary by phone or email as needed.
9.5. Do you make payments contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households?  O Yes No
If so, describe the measures unregulated vendors may take.
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fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

### Section 10 - Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10) - Assurance 10

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### Section 10: Program, Fiscal Monitoring, and Audit, 2605(b)(10) 10.1. How do you ensure good fiscal accounting and tracking of LIHEAP funds? We have a Tribal LIHEAP Treasurer Chairperson to ensure accurate records are kept. We also have a LIHEAP Committee to complete our checks and balances. We have a bank account that is exclusively for the LIHEAP Program, money in-money out corresponding with the bills presented. We will also backtrack through our Tribal Treasurer and our Tribal LIHEAP Treasurer. An Independent Audit can be taken any time. Audit Process 10.2. Is your LIHEAP program audited annually under the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A - 133? C Yes O No 10.3. Describe any audit findings rising to the level of material weakness or reportable condition cited in the A-133 audits, Grantee monitoring assessments, inspector general reviews, or other government agency reviews of the LIHEAP agency from the most recently audited fiscal year. No Findings 🗹 Finding Туре **Brief Summary** Resolved? Action Taken 10.4. Audits of Local Administering Agencies What types of annual audit requirements do you have in place for local administering agencies/district offices? Select all that apply. Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit in compliance with Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133 Local agencies/district offices are required to have an annual audit (other than A-133) Local agencies/district offices' A-133 or other independent audits are reviewed by Grantee as part of compliance process. Grantee conducts fiscal and program monitoring of local agencies/district offices Compliance Monitoring 10.5. Describe the Grantee's strategies for monitoring compliance with the Grantee's and Federal LIHEAP policies and procedures: Select all that apply Grantee employees: ~ Internal program review V Departmental oversight Secondary review of invoices and payments Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe: Local Administering Agencies / District Offices: On - site evaluation

Monitoring through central database
Desk reviews
Client File Testing / Sampling
Other program review mechanisms are in place. Describe:
United Cherokee does not receive federal funds equal or greater than \$100,000 in any fiscal year. We have a bank account that is exclusively for the LIHEAP Program, money in-money out corresponding with the bills presented. We will also backtrack through our Tribal Treasurer and our Tribal LIHEAP Treasurer. An Independent Audit can be taken any time.
10.6 Explain, or attach a copy of your local agency monitoring schedule and protocol.
We maintain records of all information concerning our tribal citizens and any additional information through LIHEAP will create it's own filing system with all physical information for the individual or families to be created and maintained specifically for this purpose. Also we will use Quickbooks Accounting Software to keep in house computer records.
10.7. Describe how you select local agencies for monitoring reviews.
Site Visits:
N/A
Desk Reviews:
N/A
10.8. How often is each local agency monitored ?
There are weekly and monthly committee meetings
10.9. What is the combined error rate for eligibility determinations? OPTIONAL
10.10. What is the combined error rate for benefit determinations? OPTIONAL
10.11. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans for eligibility and/or benefit determination issues? 0
10.12. How many local agencies are currently on corrective action plans for financial accounting or administrative issues? 0
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### Section 11 - Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, , 2605(b)(12) - Assurance 12, 2605(c)(2)

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Section 11: Timely and Meaningful Public Participation, 2605(b)(12), 2605(C)(2)			
11.1 How did you obtain input from the public in the development of your LIHEAP plan? Select all that apply.			
▼ Tribal Council meeting(s)			
Public Hearing(s)			
Draft Plan posted to website and available for comment			
Hard copy of plan is available for public view and comment			
Comments from applicants are recorded			
Request for comments on draft Plan is advertised			
Stakeholder consultation meeting(s)			
Comments are solicited during outreach activities			
Other - Describe:			
11.2 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of this participation?  No changes have been made to our plan this Fiscal Year.			
Public Hearings, 2605(a)(2) - For States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Only			
11.3 List the date and location(s) that you held public hearing(s) on the proposed use and distribution of your LIHEAP funds?			
Date Event Description			
11.4. How many parties commented on your plan at the hearing(s)?			
11.5 Summarize the comments you received at the hearing(s).			
11.6 What changes did you make to your LIHEAP plan as a result of the comments received at the public hearing(s)?			
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the			

#### Section 12 - Fair Hearings, 2605(b)(13) - Assurance 13

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### Section 12: Fair Hearings, 2605(b)(13) - Assurance 13

- 12.1 How many fair hearings did the grantee have in the prior Federal fiscal year? 0
- 12.2 How many of those fair hearings resulted in the initial decision being reversed? 0
- 12.3 Describe any policy and/or procedural changes made in the last Federal fiscal year as a result of fair hearings?

No Hearings

#### 12.4 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are denied.

Upon receipt of the application and information to apply through the tribe for LIHEAP, the individual or family will be notified of the decision concerning their case at the time the application is received either in person, by phone or by mail. If the applicant is disastisfied with the outcome after turning in all paperwork and has been denied, they may request in writing, a hearing with the Tribal LIHEAP Review Committee, which meets on a weekly basis. Here they may offer more information for reevaluation. The Tribal LIHEAP Review Committee is staffed by the Chairman: Judy Dixon, Vice Chairman: Lowrey Hesse, Treasurer: Donna Bridges and Secreatry: Mara Burke. Applicants who still disagree with the decision may ask for a hearing with Tribal Council which meets at the begining of each month and can be called into Special Session to review dispute within 24-48 hours.

#### 12.5 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

All potential recipients are informed of their rights on the application so there is no question that an appeal process is available to all.

#### 12.6 Describe your fair hearing procedures for households whose applications are not acted on in a timely manner.

Upon the receipt of the application and information to apply through the tribe for LIHEAP, the individual or family will be notified of the decision concerning their case in writing. If the applicant is dissatisfied with the outcome after turning in all paperwork and has been denied, they may request in writing, a hearing with the Tribal LIHEAP Review Committee, which meets on a weekly basis. Here they may offer more information for reevaluation. The Tribal LIHEAP Review Committee is staffed by the Chairman: Judy Dixon, Vice Chairman: Lowrey Hesse, Treasurer: Donna Bridges and Secretary: Mara Burke. Applicants who still disagree with the decision may ask for a hearing with Tribal Council which meets at the beginning of each month and can be called into Special Session to review dispute within 24-48 hours.

#### 12.7 When and how are applicants informed of these rights?

All potential recipients are informed of their rights on the application so there is no question that an appeal process is available to all.

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### Section 13 - Reduction of home energy needs,2605(b)(16) - Assurance 16

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Section 13: Reduction of home energy needs, 2605(b)(16) - Assurance 16
13.1 Describe how you use LIHEAP funds to provide services that encourage and enable households to reduce their home energy needs and thereby the need for energy assistance?
NA
13.2 How do you ensure that you don't use more than 5% of your LIHEAP funds for these activities?
NA
13.3 Describe the impact of such activities on the number of households served in the previous Federal fiscal year.
NA
13.4 Describe the level ofdirect benefitsprovided to those households in the previous Federal fiscal year.
NA
13.5 How many households applied for these services? 0
13.6 How many households received these services? 0
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### Section 14 - Leveraging Incentive Program ,2607A

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14.1 Do you plan to submit an application for the leveraging incentive program?  $\bigcirc$  Yes  $\bigcirc$  No

14.2 Describe instructions to any third parties and/or local agencies for submitting LIHEAP leveraging resource information and retaining records.

14.3 For each type of resource and/or benefit to be leveraged in the upcoming year that will meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R.  $\hat{A}$  § 96.87(d)(2)(iii), describe the following:

Resource What is the type of resource or benefit ?		What is the source(s) of the resource ?	How will the resource be integrated and coordinated with LIHEAP?		
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### **Section 15 - Training**

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Section 15: Training					
15.1 Describe the training you provide for each of the following groups:					
a. Grantee Staff:					
Formal training on grantee policies and procedures					
How often?					
Annually					
Biannually					
As needed					
Other - Describe:					
Employees are provided with policy manual					
Other-Describe:					
b. Local Agencies:					
Formal training conference					
How often?					
Annually					
Biannually					
As needed					
Other - Describe:					
On-site training					
How often?					
Annually					
Biannually					
As needed					
Other - Describe:					
Employees are provided with policy manual					
Other - Describe					
c. Vendors					
Formal training conference					
How often?					
Annually					
Biannually					
As needed					
Other - Describe:					

✓ Polic	cies communicated through vendor agreements
Polic	cies are outlined in a vendor manual
Othe	er - Describe:
15.2 Does you Yes	r training program address fraud reporting and prevention?
	the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the vided, attach a document with said explanation here.

### Section 16 - Performance Goals and Measures, 2605(b)

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Section 16: Performance Goals and Measures, 2605(b) - Required for States Only

16.1 Describe your progress toward meeting the data collection and reporting requirements of the four required LIHEAP performance measures. Include timeframes and plans for meeting these requirements and what you believe will be accomplished in the coming federal fiscal year.

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### Section 17 - Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)

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Section 17: Program Integrity, 2605(b)(10)					
17.1 Fraud Reporting Mechanisms					
a. Describe all mechanisms availab	le to the public for reporting cases of	suspected waste, fraud, and abuse. Se	lect all that apply.		
Online Fraud Reporting	g				
Dedicated Fraud Repor	ting Hotline				
Report directly to local	agency/district office or Grantee offic	e			
Report to State Inspecto	or General or Attorney General				
Forms and procedures i	in place for local agencies/district offic	ces and vendors to report fraud, waste	e, and abuse		
Other - Describe:					
b. Describe strategies in place for a	dvertising the above-referenced resou	rces. Select all that apply			
Printed outreach mater	ials				
Addressed on LIHEAP	application				
Website					
Other - Describe:					
17.2. Identification Documentation	Requirements				
a. Indicate which of the following for members.	orms of identification are required or	requested to be collected from LIHE.	AP applicants or their household		
	Collected from Whom?				
Type of Identification Collected	Applicant Only	All Adults in Household	All Household Members		
Social Security Card is photocopied and retained	Required	Required	Required		
	Requested	Requested	Requested		
Social Security Number (Without actual Card)	Required	Required	Required		
	Requested	Requested	Requested		
Government-issued identification card (i.e.: driver's license, state ID,	Required	Required	Required		
(i.e.: driver's incense, state ID, Tribal ID, passport, etc.)	Requested	Requested	Requested		

	Other	Applicant Only Required	Applicant Only Requested	All Adults in Household Required	All Adults in Household Requested	All Household Members Required	All Household Members Requested
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b. Describe any exceptions to the above policies.							
17.	3 Identification Verification						
De:	scribe what methods are used to ver ly	rify the authenticity	of identification	documents provid	ed by clients or hou	sehold members.	Select all that
Ī	Verify SSNs with Social Securit	ty Administration					
Ī	Match SSNs with death records	s from Social Secur	ity Administration	n or state agency			
	Match SSNs with state eligibilit	ty/case managemen	t system (e.g., SNA	AP, TANF)			
	Match with state Department o	f Labor system					
	Match with state and/or federa	l corrections systen	1				
	Match with state child support	system					
	Verification using private softw	vare (e.g., The Wor	k Number)				
•	In-person certification by staff	(for tribal grantees	only)				
•	Match SSN/Tribal ID number	with tribal databas	e or enrollment re	cords (for tribal g	rantees only)		
	Other - Describe:						
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_	4. Citizenship/Legal Residency Veri nat are your procedures for ensurin		ombors are U.S. a	itizans or alians w	ho are qualified to	roggiva I IUEAD I	panafita? Salaat
	hat apply.	g that household in	embers are 0.5. c	itizens of anens w	no are quanneu to i	eceive LineAi i	enents: Select
	Clients sign an attestation of c	itizenship or legal ı	residency				
	Client's submission of Social S	Security cards is acc	cepted as proof of	legal residency			
	Noncitizens must provide docu	umentation of imm	igration status				
	Citizens must provide a copy of	of their birth certifi	cate, naturalizatio	on papers, or pass	port		
	Noncitizens are verified throu	gh the SAVE system	n				
•	Tribal members are verified the	hrough Tribal enro	llment records/Tr	ibal ID card			
	Other - Describe:						
17.	5. Income Verification						
_	nat methods does your agency utilize	e to verify househol	ld income? Select	all that apply.			
•	Trequire documentation of meet	me for all adult hou	isehold members				
	Pay stubs						
	Social Security award le	tters					
<u> </u>	<b>Bank statements</b>						
_	✓ Tax statements						
	Zero-income statements						
_	<b>✓</b> Unemployment Insuran	ce letters					
	Other - Describe:						
	Computer data matches:						
	Income information mat	tched against state	computer system (	(e.g., SNAP, TANI	F)		
	Proof of unemployment	benefits verified w	ith state Departme	ent of Labor			
	Social Security income verified with SSA						
	Utilize state directory of	new hires					
	Other - Describe:						

17.5. Protection of Frinaça and Confidentiality  Policy in place prohibiting release of information without written consent  ✓ Grantee LHBEAP database includes privacy/confidentiality safeguards  ✓ Employee training on confidentiality for:  ✓ Grantee Long ageniewidistrict offices  □ Incell ageniewidistrict offices  □ Incell ageniewidistrict offices  □ Incell ageniewidistrict offices  □ Physical files are stored in a secure location  □ Other - Describe:  17.7. Verifying the Authenticity  What policies are in place for verifying vendor authenticity? Select all that apply.  □ All vendors must ragister with the State Trible.  □ All vendors must supply a valid SSN or TN/W-9 form  □ Vendors are verified through energy hills provided by the household  □ Grantee and/or local agencie/district offices speciform physical monituring of vendors  □ Other - Describe and note any exceptions to policies above:  17.8. Benefits Policy - Gas and Electric Utilities  What policies are in place to protect against fraud when making henefit payments to gas and electric utilities on hebalf of clients? Select all that apply.  □ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Applicants required to submit proof of physical residency  ✓ Centralized computer system/database tracks payments to all utilities  □ Centralized computer system/database tracks payments to all utilities  □ Centralized computer system/database tracks payments to all utilities  □ Payment behave  ○ Centralized computer system/database tracks payments on all utilities  ○ Centralized computer system/database tracks payments proof provents approved to database and payment approved  ○ Centralized computer system/database tracks payments for accuracy  ✓ Compute	
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17.9. Benefits Policy - Bulk Fuel Vendors					
What procedures are in place for averting fraud and improper payments when dealing with bulk fuel suppliers of heating oil, propane, wood, and other bulk fuel vendors? Select all that apply.					
Vendors are checked against an approved vendors list					
Centralized computer system/database is used to track payments to all vendors					
Clients are relied on for reports of non-delivery or partial delivery					
Two-party checks are issued naming client and vendor					
Direct payment to households are made in limited cases only					
Vendors are only paid once they provide a delivery receipt signed by the client					
Conduct monitoring of bulk fuel vendors					
Bulk fuel vendors are required to submit reports to the Grantee					
Vendor agreements specify requirements selected above, and provide enforcement mechanism					
Other - Describe:					
17.10. Investigations and Prosecutions					
Describe the Grantee's procedures for investigating and prosecuting reports of fraud, and any sanctions placed on clients/staff/vendors found to have committed fraud. Select all that apply.					
Refer to state Inspector General					
Refer to local prosecutor or state Attorney General					
Refer to US DHHS Inspector General (including referral to OIG hotline)					
✓ Local agencies/district offices or Grantee conduct investigation of fraud complaints from public					
Grantee attempts collection of improper payments. If so, describe the recoupment process					
Clients found to have committed fraud are banned from LIHEAP assistance. For how long is a household banned? Permanently					
Contracts with local agencies require that employees found to have committed fraud are reprimanded and/or terminated					
<b>✓</b> Vendors found to have committed fraud may no longer participate in LIHEAP					
Other - Describe:					
If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the					

fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.

### Section 18: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
- 3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.BrBbr.
- 4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 5. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

- 7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled ``Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
- 9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, [[Page 33043]] should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled ``Certification Regarding Debarment,

Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

## Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility an Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
- **☑** By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out above.

Section 19: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988: 45 CFR Part 76, Subpart, F. Sections 76.630(c) and (d)(2) and 76.645(a)(1) and (b) provide that a Federal agency may designate a central receipt point for STATE-WIDE AND STATE AGENCY-WIDE certifications, and for notification of criminal drug convictions. For the Department of Health and Human Services, the central pint is: Division of Grants Management and Oversight, Office of Management and Acquisition, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 517-D, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20201.

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Instructions for Certification)

- 1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the agency, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
- 3. For grantees other than individuals, Alternate I applies.
- 4. For grantees who are individuals, Alternate II applies.
- 5. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
- 6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio studios).
- 7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously

identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).

8. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

Controlled substance means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

Conviction means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

Criminal drug statute means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance:

Employee means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All direct charge employees; (ii) All indirect charge employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and, (iii) Temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals)

The grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:,

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --
- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
- (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
- (f)Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
- (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).
- (B) The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

1531 Blount Avenue  * Address Line 1		
Address Line 2		
Address Line 3		
Guntersville  * City	AL * State	35976 <b>* Zip Code</b>

Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Alternate II. (Grantees Who Are Individuals)

- (a) The grantee certifies that, as a condition of the grant, he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant;
- (b) If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, he or she will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to every grant officer or other

designee, unless the Federal agency designates a central point for the receipt of such notices. When notice is made to such a central point, it shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

[55 FR 21690, 21702, May 25, 1990]

**☑** By checking this box, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out above.

#### Section 20: Certification Regarding Lobbying

The submitter of this application certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, ``Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, ``Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any

person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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#### Assurances

Assurances (1) use the funds available under this title to--(A) conduct outreach activities and provide assistance to low income households in meeting their home energy costs, particularly those with the lowest incomes that pay a high proportion of household income for home energy, consistent with paragraph (5); (B) intervene in energy crisis situations; (C) provide low-cost residential weatherization and other cost-effective energy-related home repair; and (D)plan, develop, and administer the State's program under this title including leveraging programs, and the State agrees not to use such funds for any purposes other than those specified in this title; (2) make payments under this title only with respect to--(A) households in which one or more individuals are receiving--(i)assistance under the State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act: (ii) supplemental security income payments under title XVI of the Social Security Act; (iii) food stamps under the Food Stamp Act of 1977; or (iv) payments under section 415, 521, 541, or 542 of title 38, United States Code, or under section 306 of the Veterans' and Survivors' Pension Improvement Act of 1978; or

(B) households with incomes which do not exceed the greater of -

- (i) an amount equal to 150 percent of the poverty level for such State; or
- (ii) an amount equal to 60 percent of the State median income;

(except that a State may not exclude a household from eligibility in a fiscal year solely on the basis of household income if such income is less than 110 percent of the poverty level for such State, but the State may give priority to those households with the highest home energy costs or needs in relation to household income.

- (3) conduct outreach activities designed to assure that eligible households, especially households with elderly individuals or disabled individuals, or both, and households with high home energy burdens, are made aware of the assistance available under this title, and any similar energy-related assistance available under subtitle B of title VI (relating to community services block grant program) or under any other provision of law which carries out programs which were administered under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 before the date of the enactment of this Act;(4) coordinate its activities under this title with similar and related programs administered by the Federal Government and such State, particularly low-income energy-related programs under subtitle B of title VI (relating to community services block grant program), under the supplemental security income program, under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, under title XX of the Social Security Act, under the low-income weatherization assistance program under title IV of the Energy Conservation and Production Act, or under any other provision of law which carries out programs which were administered under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 before the date of the enactment of this Act:(5) provide, in a timely manner, that the highest level of assistance will be furnished to those households which have the lowest incomes and the highest energy costs or needs in relation to income, taking into account family size, except that the State may not differentiate in implementing this section between the households described in clauses 2(A) and 2(B) of this subsection;
- (6) to the extent it is necessary to designate local administrative agencies in order to carry out the purposes of this title, to give special consideration, in the designation of such agencies, to any local public or private nonprofit agency which was receiving Federal funds under any low-income energy assistance program or weatherization program under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 or any other provision of law on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act, except that -
- (A) the State shall, before giving such special consideration, determine that the agency involved meets program and fiscal requirements established by the State; and

- (B) if there is no such agency because of any change in the assistance furnished to programs for economically disadvantaged persons, then the State shall give special consideration in the designation of local administrative agencies to any successor agency which is operated in substantially the same manner as the predecessor agency which did receive funds for the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made;
- (7) if the State chooses to pay home energy suppliers directly, establish procedures to --
- (A) notify each participating household of the amount of assistance paid on its behalf;
- (B) assure that the home energy supplier will charge the eligible household, in the normal billing process, the difference between the actual cost of the home energy and the amount of the payment made by the State under this title;
- (C) assure that the home energy supplier will provide assurances that any agreement entered into with a home energy supplier under this paragraph will contain provisions to assure that no household receiving assistance under this title will be treated adversely because of such assistance under applicable provisions of State law or public regulatory requirements; and
- (D) ensure that the provision of vendor payments remains at the option of the State in consultation with local grantees and may be contingent on unregulated vendors taking appropriate measures to alleviate the energy burdens of eligible households, including providing for agreements between suppliers and individuals eligible for benefits under this Act that seek to reduce home energy costs, minimize the risks of home energy crisis, and encourage regular payments by individuals receiving financial assistance for home energy costs;
- (8) provide assurances that,
- (A) the State will not exclude households described in clause (2)(B) of this subsection from receiving home energy assistance benefits under clause (2), and
- (B) the State will treat owners and renters equitably under the program assisted under this title;
- (9) provide that--
- (A) the State may use for planning and administering the use of funds under this title an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the funds payable to such State under this title for a fiscal year; and
- (B) the State will pay from non-Federal sources the remaining costs of planning

and administering the program assisted under this title and will not use Federal funds for such remaining cost (except for the costs of the activities described in paragraph (16));

- (10) provide that such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures will be established as may be necessary to assure the proper disbursal of and accounting for Federal funds paid to the State under this title, including procedures for monitoring the assistance provided under this title, and provide that the State will comply with the provisions of chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code (commonly known as the "Single Audit Act");
- (11) permit and cooperate with Federal investigations undertaken in accordance with section 2608;
- (12) provide for timely and meaningful public participation in the development of the plan described in subsection (c);
- (13) provide an opportunity for a fair administrative hearing to individuals whose claims for assistance under the plan described in subsection (c) are denied or are not acted upon with reasonable promptness; and
- (14) cooperate with the Secretary with respect to data collecting and reporting under section 2610.
- (15) \* beginning in fiscal year 1992, provide, in addition to such services as may be offered by State Departments of Public Welfare at the local level, outreach and intake functions for crisis situations and heating and cooling assistance that is administered by additional State and local governmental entities or community-based organizations (such as community action agencies, area agencies on aging and not-for-profit neighborhood-based organizations), and in States where such organizations do not administer functions as of September 30, 1991, preference in awarding grants or contracts for intake services shall be provided to those agencies that administer the low-income weatherization or energy crisis intervention programs.
- \* This assurance is applicable only to States, and to territories whose annual regular LIHEAP allotments exceed \$200,000. Neither territories with annual allotments of \$200,000 or less nor Indian tribes/tribal organizations are subject to Assurance 15.
- (16) use up to 5 percent of such funds, at its option, to provide services that encourage and enable households to reduce their home energy needs and thereby the need for energy assistance, including needs assessments, counseling, and assistance with

energy vendors, and report to the Secretary concerning the impact of such activities on the number of households served, the level of direct benefits provided to those households, and the number of households that remain unserved.

#### **Plan Attachments**

PLAN ATTACHMENTS
The following documents must be attached to this application
• Delegation Letter is required if someone other than the Governor or Chairman Certified this Report.
Heating component benefit matrix, if applicable
Cooling component benefit matrix, if applicable
Minutes, notes, or transcripts of public hearing(s).

### **List of Cell Level Attachments**

	File Name	Location
1	2019 Cooling Component Benefit Matrix wth State Median.pdf	Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.
2	2019 Heating Component Benefit Matrix wth State Median.pdf	Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.
3	LIHEAP Weatherization Policy.docx	Section 5 - WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE If any of the above questions require further explanation or clarification that could not be made in the fields provided, attach a document with said explanation here.
4	WhiteheadTribal-StateAgreement.pdf	Plan Attachments
5	WhiteheadCountiesListed.pdf	Plan Attachments  • Delegation Letter is required if someone other than the Governor or Chairman Certified this Report.

# ESTIMATED STATE MEDIAN INCOME, BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE AND BY STATE, FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2019

		60	60 Percent of Estimated State Median Income2					
	EstimatedSMI for	60 percent of estimated SMI	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	6-
States	four- person families 1	for four-person	Person	Person	Person	Person	Person	Person
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Alabama	\$70,380	\$42,228	\$21,959	\$28,715	\$35,472	\$42,228	\$48,984	\$55,741

#### **Cooling Component Benefit Matrix**

Minimum Assistance provided	\$300
Additional assistance provided if:	
(1) Elderly	\$ 75
(2) Disabled	\$ 75
(3) Total Household income is 60%	\$ 75
(4) Applicant with Children age 6 or younger	<u>\$ 75</u>
Maximum Assistance	\$600

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#### **Heating Component Benefit Matrix**

Minimum Assistance provided	\$300
Additional assistance provided if:	
(1) Elderly	\$ 75
(2) Disabled	\$ 75
(3) Total Household income is 60%	\$ 75
(4) Applicant with Children age 6 or younger	\$ 75
Maximum Assistance	\$600

#### **LIHEAP Weatherization Policy**

Funding is limited to 15% of grant award. This will need to be calculated annually and as additional funding is made available.

Eligibility requirements are the same as the requirements for heating/cooling assistance and crisis.

Priority will be given to:

- 1. Households who have not used weatherization funding
- 2. Households with "at risk" individuals (elderly, disabled, young children)

Applicants that are renting must consult with their landlords concerning repairs they wish to be made and receive a written agreement from the landlord detailing what repairs the landlord will be responsible for, what repairs they wish to be covered by the Weatherization assistance and any repairs they will personally make.

Funding will not be made available for weatherization use until 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of Fiscal year unless an emergency arises.

Upon receipt of an application for weatherization assistance:

- 1. The LIHEAP coordinator will arrange to have a representative evaluate the household
- 2. After consult with representative all necessary arrangements will be made to initiate the repairs

If no representative is available to assess the repairs the individuals applying for assistance will need to get quotes stating the repairs needed, cost of material and labor. These must be received in our office before the application can be approved for assistance.

Once repairs are completed all receipts must be received in our office no later than 10 days after work has been completed. Failure to return receipts will result in the household being listed as ineligible for further weatherization assistance.

A representative will be sent to the residence to confirm the work has been completed and there is no need for further repairs.

Payment will be provided to the vendor providing the material and/or laborer. We will not make a payment to the individual applying for assistance.

Repairs covered by weatherization may include:

- Caulking/weather stripping
- Insulation
- Storm windows/doors
- Heating system repairs or replacement
- Do-it-yourself weatherization kits
- Water heaters
- Energy related roof repair
- Underpinning for mobile homes
- Water conservation measures

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## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Bill Johnson Director

## STATE OF ALABAMA January 8, 2008

Chief Gina Williamson United Cherokee Ani-Yun-Wiya Nation 6407 Jarmon Road Guntersville, AL 35976

Dear Ms. Williamson:

This letter is to confirm your count of 499 tribal member households which may be eligible for LIHEAP assistance in FY 2008. We do not have data that would indicate this household count might be inaccurate; therefore, we agree with your records.

We agree to coordinate services in order to avoid duplication.

If you have any questions, please call me at (334) 242-5365.

Sincerely,

Willie Whitehead, Section Chief Energy & Weatherization Programs

Energy, Weatherization and

Technology Division

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CC:

Nick St. Angelo, Director

Division of Energy Assistance

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Roland Matthews

Dear Mr. Whitehead:

The United Cherokee Ani-Yun-Wiya Nation will administer the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program for the Tribe. Until further notice, we will serve eligible United Cherokee households in the counties listed below.

County	Cherokee households at or below greater of 150% of poverty Or 60% SMI
Blount	15
Calhoun	4
Cherokee	6
Cleburne	6
Colbert	14
Cullman	24
Dekalb	86
Etowah	21
Fayette	3
Franklin	2
Jackson	150
Jefferson	18
Lamar	2
Lauderdale	4
Lawrence	2 3
Limestone	3
Madison	13
Marshall	64
Marion	3
Morgan	41
St Clair	2
Walker	12
Winston	4
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Sincerely,

Total

Gina Williamson Principal Chief/Tribal Chairperson United Cherokee Ani-Yun-Wiya Nation

### **List of Form Level Attachments**

	File Name
1	Agenda for LIHEAP grant.docx
2	Section 4 Crisis Assistance Amendment.docx

#### Tribal Council August 7, 2018

#### Invocation

**Prayer Requests:** Sylvia Gale Slocumb, Abigail Davidson, Carson Chamblee, Mara Burke, Ramona Lesa, Mary Gold Talley, Roger White, Donna Bridges, Gene Gold, Sue Morrison, Reesa Gentle, Buddy Stone, the Bridges family, Morningdove Smith and April Dixon (in Iraq)

#### **Minutes**

#### **Treasury Report**

Bills to be paid: Rent through September, Utilities, Phone and Tom Burke.

#### **Old Business**

- ByLaws- Sent to Charles Yow he will advise when he has a chance to review
- Patch Competition The announcement has been placed in Newsletter, Facebook and website
- Sam Wisner Charles Yow took Sam out to dinner and visited his home. He stated Sam's home is in bad shape. He is looking into whether the debt has been forgiven that brought about the land being signed over. Will advise once he knows for sure.
- Communication Fee reminder 844 mailed out, 59 have been returned bad address. Cost to send out \$373.00, we have already received \$1,080 in fees from the second notice, total profit from second notice \$707.00.
- RC&D Grant submitted the grant to go to the tribe in 2019 for our Outreach. One trifold has already been printed and another is in the planning as well as additional brochures possibly being combined into a media kit. Waiting for confirmation sometime in September as to whether we will receive this funding.
- AIR spoke with accountants and was advised any profit from sale of herbs should not affect tribes 501(c)3 since any profit would go towards supporting the tribes Outreach/Educational programs

#### **New Business**

- Waterloo beginning preparation for Waterloo: Steve and Judy will bring rope, need to make sure rebar makes it to Waterloo for circle. Bob Upton will serve as AD. Thinking of asking Skyhawk Smith to me Head Man. Waiting to hear of Makole Chamblee will be available and will serve as Head Lady. Waiting to hear of Lucas Bridges can serve as MC.
- LIHEAP Council and guests to review Model plan
- Next Council Meeting First Tuesday in October

#### **Adjourn - EXECUTIVE Order**

#### Section 4 Crisis Assistance Amendment/Attachment

Policy/plan for handling furnace repair and replacement

When an application for assistance is received and approved for assistance with furnace repair or replacement we contact our consultant to appraise the condition of the furnace to determine what will be required. If the family does not have a backup heat system we provide one or two stand-alone heater(s) based on the size of the home and household size. When we have funding available we purchase several of these units to keep at the office for emergency situations. If we do not have any on hand we will send someone to purchase any that are needed at the time of the crisis within 12 hours of application being accepted and approved. Depending on the determination made by our consultant as to what action is taken. If the unit can be repaired we determine if our consultant can do the repairs or if it will require repair by a separate company specializing in furnace/heater repair. If our consultant can repair the unit he will acquire the necessary quotes for parts needed for repairs, a check will be issued to purchase the necessary parts and he will have the repairs done within 12 to 24 hours. If a repairman is needed from a separate company we instruct the citizen on how to go about acquiring the necessary quotes to have the repairs or replacement done. If necessary we will speak with the company doing the repairs or replacement to make any necessary arrangements for payment of cost. In these cases the payment is made to the company providing the work required to repair or replace the unit. Once the necessary repairs are completed we will contact the citizens to insure the work has been done and it is functioning. If necessary we will send our consultant back out to the home to do additional inspections.