

New Hampshire Implementation -American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Program Title: **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants**

Short Description: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants will go directly to larger cities and to counties; the State will receive funds under this program to sub-grant funds for energy efficiency and conservation projects to other municipalities

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$784,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$9,593,500

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Managing Agency: Office of Energy and Planning (“OEP”)

Status: Guidance issued on 3/26/07.

Award Criteria: Projects shall be for energy efficiency, renewable energy and carbon reduction; program design and process now being developed by OEP. New Hampshire must make certain energy related assurances to qualify for these funds.

Time Line for use: OEP must modify state energy plan to include revised goals on energy efficiency no later than 120 days after enactment – approximately June 12, 2009. Secretary of DOE has up to 120 days to approve; grants then provided to states; states then have 180 days to distribute to municipalities.

Details: ARRA - page 24.

- State Office of Energy and Planning Recovery web site:
<http://www.nh.gov/oep/recovery/>
- U.S. Department of Energy stimulus website:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/index.htm>

All information is the best available as of 5/7/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.