

NOTICES

Pollution Control Technology Grant Program; Opening of the Grant Application Acceptance Period

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Section 304 of the Alternative Energy Investment Act of 2008 (73 P. S. § 1649.304) (Act 1 or Act) authorizes the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) to award a total of \$25 million for "pollution control technology projects" installed on electric generating units and cogeneration units that have an installed capacity of less than 500 MW per unit that utilize coal, as defined under 25 Pa. Code § 123.202 (relating to definitions), as their primary fuel. The final eligibility criteria for the Pollution Control Technology Grant Program (Program) were published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on January 30, 2010.

The final criteria are summarized as follows:

- Grant applicants will be eligible to receive a pro rata share of the \$25 million available for each eligible electric generating or cogeneration unit at a facility with an installed capacity of less than 500 MW that utilizes coal, as defined under 25 Pa. Code § 123.202, as its primary fuel.
- Eligibility is limited to pollution control technology constructed or installed on the units to comply with regulatory requirements including the Clean Air Interstate Rule, the Clean Air Mercury Rule, the Pennsylvania Mercury Rule under 25 Pa. Code Chapter 123, and SO₂ and NOx emission reduction requirements established under 25 Pa. Code Chapters 121, 129 and 145 (relating to general provisions; standards for sources; and interstate pollution transport reduction).
 - The grant allocation will be based on the capital cost portion of each project.
- The owner or operator must have obtained a plan approval from the Department on or after January 1, 2006, but not later than December 31, 2009, and must have commenced construction or installed the controls no later than December 31, 2010.

Program grant applications will be accepted for a period of 120 days, through October 25, 2010. The operation of the pollution control technology will be a condition of any grant awarded by the Department. Grant application packets are available on the Department's web site at www.depweb.state.pa.us under "Air," and then "Permits." Applications can also be obtained by contacting the Department at (717) 787-9702.

Applicants must submit an original and three copies of the completed Program application to Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Quality, 12th Floor, Rachel Carson State Office Building, 400 Market Street, P. O. Box 8776, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8776. Applications must be postmarked or received by 4 p.m. on October 25, 2010. Facsimile transmissions will not be accepted.

Persons with questions or who need additional information, contact Randall Koppenhaver by at rakoppenha@ state.pa.us or (717) 787-9702.

JOHN HANGER, Secretary

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