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**SUBJECT:** DE 10-024, DE 10-212, DE 13-298, DE 15-302, DE 16-614, and DE 17-172:  
Approval of Additional Fiscal Year 2022 Renewable Energy Fund Program Budget  
Allocations

**Summary**

This memorandum confirms Department of Energy (Department) approval for additional program budget allocations from the Renewable Energy Fund (REF) for fiscal year 2022 (FY22) as set forth in the Funding Allocations by Program (Table 2) on page 2. Further, the Department informs stakeholders of the following actions:

- As of November 1, 2021, the Department will no longer accept applications for the Residential Solar Rebate program as that program has received applications in excess of its allocation of FY22. Applicants will be notified as soon as possible as to their application status.
- For the remaining programs, FY22 applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis.
- The Department will continue to accept new applications for rebate programs until specific program funding allocations are fully utilized.
- Waitlists will be established for each Residential rebate program up to an amount of \$25,000 when the program receives applications in excess of its funding allocation.
- Waitlists will be establish for each Commercial and Industrial rebate program up to an amount of \$50,000 when the program receives applications in excess of its funding allocation.
- Requests for Proposals will be issued by the Department for renewable energy generation projects in the Non-Residential Sector (C&I Competitive Grant program) or for the Low and Moderate Income Community Solar Grant (LMI Grant program) programs with total grant funding available noted in Table 2.

**Funding Analysis**

Based on the REF FY22 Statement of Appropriation, \$2,000,000 is available for allocation to FY22 grant and rebate programs. On September 3, 2021, the Department authorized the allocation of \$1,000,000 to enable Department staff to open the rebate programs to new applications; this memorandum authorizes the allocation of an additional \$1,000,000. Table 1, on the next page, presents the statutorily required funding breakdown between sectors.

**Table 1: Program Funding Allocations by Sector**

<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>FY22 Preliminary Rebate and Grant Program Funds</b>
\$900,000	Funds allocated to Residential Sector (45%)
\$1,100,000	Funds allocated to Commercial & Industrial (non-residential) Sector (55%)

Table 2 summarizes the allocation of funding to specific Residential, and Commercial and Industrial programs supported by the REF and meeting the program funding requirements of RSA 362-F.

**Table 2: Funding Allocations by Program**

	<b>Sept. 3, 2021 Program Allocations for FY22</b>	<b>Oct. 29, 2021 Program Allocations for FY22</b>	<b>Total Program Allocations for FY22</b>
<b>Residential</b>			
Solar PV Rebates	\$165,000	\$220,000	\$385,000
Bulk-Fed Pellet Central Heating Rebates	\$135,000	\$ 30,000	\$165,000
LMI Grant (min 15%)	\$150,000	\$200,000	\$350,000
<i>sub-total</i>	<i>\$450,000</i>	<i>\$450,000</i>	<i>\$900,000</i>
<b>Commercial &amp; Industrial</b>			
Solar Rebates	\$200,000	\$ 80,000	\$280,000
Bulk-Fed Pellet Central Heating Rebates	\$50,000	\$ 20,000	\$70,000
Competitive Grants	\$300,000	\$450,000	\$750,000
<i>sub-total</i>	<i>\$550,000</i>	<i>\$550,000</i>	<i>\$1,100,000</i>
<b>Total Residential and C&amp;I</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>

The Department strongly encourages all applicants for new projects to use the updated Step 1 application form and all applicants for payment after September 3, 2021 to use the updated Step 2 application form.