

Department of Energy Golden Field Office 15013 Denver West Parkway Golden, CO 80401

September 2, 2015

Maia Davis Senior Environmental Planner Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments 777 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20002

SUBJECT: Funding Opportunity Announcement Number DE-FOA-0001315: Notice of Opportunity for Technical Assistance for Climate Action Champions, Application Titled: Building Capacity for Advanced Microgrid Deployment in the National Capitol Region, **App #: 1315-1510**

Dear Ms. Davis:

The Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) has completed its evaluation of the application submitted in response to the subject Notice of Opportunity for Technical Assistance (NOTA), and I am pleased to inform you that your application has been selected for negotiations leading to technical assistance.

This notice does not constitute a commitment to provide technical assistance, only an intent to move forward with negotiations. The Technical Assistance Provider and DOE will be contacting you to follow up on the next steps to move forward.

In the immediate future, DOE will work with the proposed Technical Assistance Provider to determine the cost of the proposed technical assistance. If the cost estimate exceeds the applicable ceiling, DOE and the proposed Technical Assistance Provider will work with the your organization to revise the scope to ensure it does not exceed the limit. Please be advised, in the unlikely event that DOE and your organization cannot reach agreement, DOE may cancel the selection.

Prior to authorizing the use of Federal funds for the technical assistance project, DOE must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). You will be asked to provide certain information regarding the proposed project to inform the NEPA review process and it is important that you do so in a timely manner. Please note, should you move forward with the

project activities in advance of DOE completing the NEPA review process, you are doing so at the risk of not receiving technical assistance.

On behalf of EERE, I would like to congratulate you on your selection for negotiations leading to technical assistance. I look forward to working with you to successfully complete negotiations.

Sincerely,

andrew Rittgers

Andrew Rittgers Contracting Officer

- cc: Linda Silverman, DOE Technology Manager
- cc: Steve Palmeri, DOE Technical Project Officer
- cc: Stuart Freudberg, MWCOG Deputy Executive Director