Regional Economic Development and GHG Reduction Program

1. **Question Ref:** Q_1537 **Question Type:** Threshold

Is the project an energy efficiency, renewable energy, or carbon abatement measure that results in greenhouse gas reductions?

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Project funds must be used for energy efficiency, renewable energy, or carbon abatement measures that result in greenhouse gas reductions, in accordance with the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) regulations and the Operating Plan for Investments in New York under the CO2 Budget Trading Program and the CO2 Allowance Auction Program.

If you answer no to this question, you are not eligible to receive funding under the Regional Economic Development and Greenhouse gas Reduction Program. To view the Regional Greenhouse Gas Operating Plan please visit: www.nyserda.ny.gov/en/Programs/Energy-and-Environmental-

Markets/~/media/Files/EDPPP/Energy%20and%20Environmental%20Markets/RGGI/Dr aft%20RGGI%20Op%20Plan%20Summary%20Doc%20May%2016th.ashx

For a list of currently available NYSERDA programs please visit: www.nyserda.ny.gov/Funding-Opportunities.aspx

2. **Question Ref:** Q_1532 **Question Type:** Threshold

Is the applicant either a Business, Agri-business, Municipality (e.g. county, town, city, or village), local development corporation, business or municipal improvement district, public and private institution (e.g. universities, colleges, hospitals, schools), or Non Profit organization or entity located in New York State?

HELP SECTION

Groups of eligible applicants can submit a joint application, however one eligible applicant must be identified as the lead applicant on behalf of the group or consortium.

Federal facilities are not eligible.

3. **Question Ref:** Q_184 **Question Type:** Basic

NYS Assembly District(s) where the project is located. (please enter a number between 1 and 150 that represents your Assembly District)

HELP SECTION

Click **HERE** to determine your Assembly district.

4. **Question Ref:** Q_190 **Question Type:** Basic

NY Senate District(s) where the project is located. (please enter a number between 1 and 62 that represents your Senate District)

HELP SECTION

Click **HERE** to determine your Senate district.

5. Optional Question Header:

Applicant Information

Question Ref: Q_546 **Question Type:** Basic

Legal Name of Applicant

6. **Question Ref:** Q_547 **Question Type:** Basic

Contact First Name

7. **Question Ref:** Q_549 **Question Type:** Basic

Type of Applicant (select all that apply)

8. **Question Ref:** Q_550 **Question Type:** Basic

If you are a DBA, what is your DBA name?

9. **Question Ref:** Q_551 **Question Type:** Basic

Applicant Street Address

10. **Question Ref:** Q_552 **Question Type:** Basic

Applicant City

11. **Question Ref:** Q_553 **Question Type:** Basic

Applicant State

12. **Question Ref:** Q_554 **Question Type:** Basic

Applicant Zip Code. (please use Zip+4 if known)

13. **Question Ref:** Q_555 **Question Type:** Basic

Applicant Email Address

14. **Question Ref:** Q_556 **Question Type:** Basic

Select an applicant ID type from the list below that you normally use to identify your organization on application forms.

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Applicants will be required to provide the specified ID number upon request by the funding agencies.

15. **Question Ref:** Q_561 **Question Type:** Basic

Additional Contact Email Address

16. **Question Ref:** Q_562 **Question Type:** Basic

Additional Contact Phone Number. (please include area code)

17. **Question Ref:** Q_565 **Question Type:** Basic

Project City

18. **Question Ref:** Q_568 **Question Type:** Basic

Project State

19. **Question Ref:** Q_572 **Question Type:** Basic

Project Latitude

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Click HERE to determine Latitude

20. **Question Ref:** Q_573 **Question Type:** Basic

Project Longitude

HELP SECTION

Click HERE to determine Longitude

21. Optional Question Header:

Project Description

Question Ref: Q_575 **Question Type:** Basic

Project Description. Concisely describe the project, indicating the location, what will be planned, designed, and/or constructed, the issues/opportunities to

be addressed, and expected outcomes and deliverables. Additional details will be collected later in the application process.

22. **Question Ref:** Q_580 **Question Type:** Basic

Status of Permits

23. **Question Ref:** Q_582 **Question Type:** Basic

Estimated Service Life

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List the estimated service life/useful life of capital expenditure that is the focus of this request.

24. **Question Ref:** Q_616 **Question Type:** Basic

For more than one project location, please provide full address(es) for each location. If Not Applicable, indicate "NA".

25. **Question Ref:** Q_651 **Question Type:** Basic

Applicant Telephone Number, (please include area code)

26. **Question Ref:** Q_928 **Question Type:** Basic

Project Street Address: if the project does not have a definite street address, please skip to "Project without a Street Address" below.

27. **Question Ref:** Q_929 **Question Type:** Basic

Current State of Project Development (i.e. planning, preliminary engineering, final design, etc)

28. **Question Ref:** Q_930 **Question Type:** Basic

Explain what makes your project a regional economic priority - for example creates jobs, economic investment, sustainability and community revitalization, etc.

29. **Question Ref:** Q_969 **Question Type:** Basic

If you are a business, have you been certified as an Minority or Womenowned Business Enterprise (MWBE)?

30. **Question Ref:** Q_970 **Question Type:** Basic

Additional Project Contact Last Name

31. **Question Ref:** Q_971 **Question Type:** Basic

Project Without a Street Address: please enter a description of the project location. Include project starting/ending street addresses, cities & zip codes if applicable.

32. **Question Ref:** Q_972 **Question Type:** Basic

Project county or counties.

33. **Question Ref:** Q_973 **Question Type:** Basic

Status of State and/or Federal Environmental Review.

34. **Question Ref:** Q_975 **Question Type:** Basic

Estimated Project Timeline: including project start/completion dates, estimates for design, permitting and construction or other major steps.

35. **Question Ref:** Q_976 **Question Type:** Basic

Statement of Need

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Provide a brief summary of the need for the project in the geographic area proposed, the project's financing needs, including funding gaps and, where applicable, describe the additional short and long term jobs that will be created through the development of the proposed project.

36. **Question Ref:** Q_1034 **Question Type:** Basic

Project Zip Code. (please use Zip+4 if known)

37. **Question Ref:** Q_1049 **Question Type:** Basic

Contact Last Name

38. Question Ref: Q_1050 Question Type: Basic

Contact Title

39. **Question Ref:** Q_1051 **Question Type:** Basic

Additional Contact Title

40. **Question Ref:** Q_1052 **Question Type:** Basic

Additional Project Contact First Name

41. **Question Ref:** Q_1053 **Question Type:** Basic

If project review pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) has been completed has a Finding of No Significant Impact or Record of Decision been issued?

42. **Question Ref:** Q_1054 **Question Type:** Basic

If National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Record of Decision has been issued, please explain (include date of Record of Decision).

43. **Question Ref:** Q_1056 **Question Type:** Basic

If review of the project is underway pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), please indicate the lead agency (if applicable).

44. **Question Ref:** Q_1603 **Question Type:** Basic

Was this project or a phase of this project awarded funding in CFA Round I?

45. **Question Ref:** Q_1604 **Question Type:** Basic

If yes, with which agency(s)?

46. **Question Ref:** Q_1605 **Question Type:** Basic

If funding was received in a prior round of the CFA, indicate the amount of funding received.

47. **Question Ref:** Q_1767 **Question Type:** Attachment

If you have supporting documentation such as engineering analysis, project design documents, energy savings analysis, etc please attach them to your CFA.

48. **Question Ref:** Q_1546 **Question Type:** Attachment

What are the amounts and sources of applicant cost-share for this project? Provide letters of commitment demonstrating the cash or in-kind contributions towards completion of the project.

49. **Question Ref:** Q_1543 **Question Type:** Attachment

Provide an attachment that explains the assumptions and methodologies used to estimate the number of direct and indirect jobs created or retained within the counties that comprise the Regional Economic Development Council through implementation of proposed project?

50. Optional Question Header:

NYSERDA Regional Economic Development and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program

Question Ref: Q_1533

Question Type: Standard Question

Please indicate which of the applicant types you best represent:

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Federal facilities are not eligible.

51. **Question Ref:** Q_1754

Question Type: Standard Question

Please select your project category

52. **Question Ref:** Q_1534

Question Type: Standard Question

Does the project fall within one or more of the following end-use sectors?

53. **Question Ref:** Q_1569

Question Type: Standard Question

If Other End-use Sector, please explain.

54. Question Ref: Q_1535

Question Type: Standard Question

Is the applicant seeking between \$250,000 and \$1,500,000 for this project?

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NYSERDA plans to award up to \$12 million to fund projects. Funds are derived from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) and included in New York State's approved RGGI Operating Plan. A maximum of \$1.5 million will be awarded per project. The minimum amount that can be requested per project is \$250,000. Cost-share of at least 25% of total project cost is required, however higher cost-shares and leveraging of funds is encouraged and will be considered in evaluating proposals (see Scoring Criteria below). Eligible cost-share can be comprised of cash and/or in-kind contributions and must be derived from sources other than NYSERDA programs.

No single region (as defined by the REDCs) can receive more than 25% of the available funds.

NYSERDA expects to make approximately 15 awards. NYSERDA reserves the right to award all or none of the funds based on technical level of the proposals received.

55. **Question Ref:** Q_1759

Question Type: Standard Question

Will/Does the project or facility location pay the System Benefits Charge/Renewable Portfolio Standard (SBC/RPS) on its natural gas and/or electric utility bill? Click on help for more information on SBC/RPS.

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Customers of Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, National Grid, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation contribute to the System Benefits Charge/Renewable Portfolio Standard (sometimes referred to as SBC/RPS on customer utility bills).

56. **Question Ref:** Q_1538

Question Type: Standard Question

Explain how funding for this project or measures for which funding is sought does not duplicate current NYSERDA program funds, or if applicable, how the project or measures complements other programs available through NYSERDA.

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NYSERDA will assist applicants to determine if the project, in whole or in part, is eligible for consideration through other current NYSERDA programs and solicitations. Questions can be submitted to REDGHG@nyserda.ny.gov.

NYSERDA reserves the right to disqualify a project if it is determined that the project is eligible for other NYSERDA funds. A list of the current available funding opportunities

from NYSERDA can be found at: www.nyserda.ny.gov/Funding-Opportunities/Current-Funding-Opportunities.aspx

More information is available through the REDGHG Program guidance document

57. **Question Ref:** Q_1540

Question Type: Standard Question

Project funds can be used for project design and engineering costs, implementation of measures, infrastructure investments, or demonstrations, in the Eligible Project Categories in the Guidance Document (need link). Given the focus on near-term benefits, funds are not available through this program for research and development projects or for product development. Describe which of the eligible project categories and activities best represents this project, and provide a detailed description of how the project addresses each of the required elements for that category.

58. **Question Ref:** Q_1536

Question Type: Standard Question

Explain how the project is aligned is with the Strategic Plan developed by a Regional Economic Development Council(s) for the region(s) in which the project is located. How does it address a key regional sector or objective and represent an opportunity that develops the capacity for the region to participate in the State?s clean energy economy and achieve its vision for economic growth?

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To view the Regional Economic Development Council Strategic Plans please visit: nyworks.ny.gov/

More information on the State's clean energy economy efforts can be found in the 2009 State Energy Plan located at:

www.nysenergyplan.com/final/New_York_State_Energy_Plan_VolumeI.pdf

59. **Question Ref:** Q_1547

Question Type: Standard Question

Does this project represent a unique public-private partnership and/or innovative technology or approach? If so, please describe.

60. **Question Ref:** Q_1548

Question Type: Standard Question

How do the potential funds available through this program fill a gap for which no other funds are available, or represent an unmet need for the region in which the project is located?

61. **Question Ref:** Q_1539

Question Type: Standard Question

Have you previously received NYSERDA funds for components of this project? If so please explain for what the funds were or are being used.

62. **Question Ref:** Q_1577

Question Type: Standard Question

Provide a brief description of the main tasks involved in the project, including identification of critical path activities and task deliverables.

63. **Question Ref:** Q_1542

Question Type: Standard Question

Describe the project team and their experience and capabilities including engineering and design firms and other consultancies, that will be responsible for completion of the project (to the extent that they are knows at time of application). Delineate the specific responsibilities of each of the entities that comprise the project team.

64. **Question Ref:** Q_1541

Question Type: Standard Question

Provide the estimated project completion schedule, including start and end dates of the main project tasks and activities. Dates may be provided as specific months (e.g., month, year) or as consecutive months following the project?s contract signing (e.g., month 1, month 2, etc.). Projects must be able to commence within a year of award.

65. **Question Ref:** Q_1761

Question Type: Standard Question

What is the expected annual electric (kWh) savings from this project? Please provide your assumptions and methodologies for this estimation.

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An answer is required for this question. If this question does not apply to your project, please input "N/A" and provide justification.

One of the criteria by which your proposal will be scored is the total amount of greenhouse gases reduced annually. NYSERDA will calculate the amount of greenhouses gases reduced by applying a conversion factor based on the estimated kWh saved annually.

66. **Question Ref:** Q_1762

Question Type: Standard Question

What is the expected annual natural gas (MMBTU) savings from this project? Please provide your assumptions and methodologies for this estimation.

HELP SECTION

An answer is required for this question. If this question does not apply to your project, please input "N/A" and provide justification.

One of the criteria by which your proposal will be scored is the total amount of greenhouse gases reduced annually. NYSERDA will calculate the amount of greenhouses gases reduced by applying a conversion factor based on the estimated MMBTU saved annually.

67. **Question Ref:** Q_1763

Question Type: Standard Question

What is the expected annual fuel oil (gallons) savings from this project? Please provide your assumptions and methodologies for this estimation and specify whether the fuel oil saved is #2 or #6.

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An answer is required for this question. If this question does not apply to your project, please input "N/A" and provide justification.

One of the criteria by which your proposal will be scored is the total amount of greenhouse gases reduced annually. NYSERDA will calculate the amount of

greenhouses gases reduced by applying a conversion factor based on the estimated gallons saved annually.

68. **Question Ref:** Q_1764

Question Type: Standard Question

What is the expected annual propane (gallons) savings from this project? Please provide your assumptions and methodologies for this estimation.

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An answer is required for this question. If this question does not apply to your project, please input "N/A" and provide justification.

One of the criteria by which your proposal will be scored is the total amount of greenhouse gases reduced annually. NYSERDA will calculate the amount of greenhouses gases reduced by applying a conversion factor based on the estimated gallons saved annually.

69. **Question Ref:** Q 1765

Question Type: Standard Question

What is the expected annual gasoline (gallons) savings from this project? Please provide your assumptions and methodologies for this estimation.

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An answer is required for this question. If this question does not apply to your project, please input "N/A" and provide justification.

One of the criteria by which your proposal will be scored is the total amount of greenhouse gases reduced annually. NYSERDA will calculate the amount of greenhouses gases reduced by applying a conversion factor based on the estimated gallons saved annually.

70. **Question Ref:** Q_1766

Question Type: Standard Question

What is the expected annual diesel (gallons) savings from this project? Please provide your assumptions and methodologies for this estimation.

HELP SECTION

An answer is required for this question. If this question does not apply to your project, please input "N/A" and provide justification.

One of the criteria by which your proposal will be scored is the total amount of greenhouse gases reduced annually. NYSERDA will calculate the amount of greenhouses gases reduced by applying a conversion factor based on the estimated gallons saved annually.

71. **Question Ref:** Q_1450

Question Type: Standard Question

Will the proposed project result in the creation of construction jobs? If so, estimate the number of construction jobs to be created.

Enter zero if not applicable.

72. **Question Ref:** Q_1459

Question Type: Standard Question

Will the proposed project directly or indirectly result in the creation of permanent jobs? If so, estimate the number of permanent full-time equivalent jobs that will be created.

Enter zero if not applicable.

73. **Question Ref:** Q_1549

Question Type: Standard Question

Does this project provide other health and environmental benefits including reducing the disproportionate cost burden and environmental impacts on low income families and environmental justice communities? If so, describe the nature of those benefits.

74. **Question Ref:** Q_1545

Question Type: Standard Question

NYSERDA will use the Sample Agreement to issue contracts for projects selected for funding through this Program. Indicate whether the Applicant accepts the terms and conditions identified in the Sample Agreement, and if not, identify the exception(s). Please view help for a link to the Sample Agreement.

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Sample Agreement: www.nyserda.ny.gov/Funding-
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