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Record Description:

To Whom It May Concern:

I request access to documents containing individual state's finalized energy plans for ARRA funding as they are submitted to the Department of Energy (All 50 states). These plans are due to the Department by May 12, 2009.

Specifically, I am requesting these documents that contain what the state is allocating additional ARRA funding for the State Energy Programs and Energy Efficiency Block Grants (Due May 26).

Please notify me if there will be any fees associated with this request.

Preferred Form or Format: pdf

Type of Requester (if provided):

Affiliated with a private corporation and seeking information for the use in the company's business.

Fees and Fee Waivers:

I request a waiver or reduction of fees.

Waiver or Reduction of Fees Factors (if provided):

1. The subject of the request: Whether the subject of the requested records concerns "the operations or activities of the government."

These records are directly linked with the government's allocation of tax dollars toward energy programs.

2. The informative value of the information to be disclosed: Whether the disclosure is "likely to contribute" to an understanding of government operations or activities.

This information will aid in our company's and our client's knowledge of the allocation and funding process for state and federal energy programs.

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5. The existence and magnitude of a commercial interest: Whether the requester has a commercial interest that would be furthered by the requested disclosure, and, if so

Our company and our clients have a commercial interest in the allocations of these funds, as our clients deal in energy efficiency products and services.

6. The primary interest in disclosure: Whether the magnitude of the identified commercial interest of the requester is sufficiently large, in comparison with the public interest in disclosure, that disclosure is "primarily in the commercial interest of the requester."

By knowing these plans immediately, our clients and our company will be able to immediately act to identify key states and projects to become involved with, and hire the necessary staff to fufill project needs.

Expedited Processing:

Specific Justification for Expedited Processing: