AMENDMENT TO PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, THE RHODE ISLAND OFFICE OF ENERGY RESOURCES, THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND THE RHODE ISLAND STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE REGARDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, STATE ENERGY PROGRAM AND WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM UNDERTAKINGS

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, The United States Department of Energy (DOE), Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources, Rhode Island Department of Human Services, and Rhode Island Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission entered into a Programmatic Agreement (Agreement) to fulfill the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for certain DOE-funded Undertakings in Rhode Island.

WHEREAS, in 2010, as the result of unprecedented funding levels resulting from the implementation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act), DOE, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO) developed a first-of-its-kind <u>Prototype Programmatic Agreement</u> (Prototype PA) for National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 reviews;

WHEREAS, the intent of the Prototype PA was to provide DOE, recipients of financial assistance under DOE's Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP), State Energy Program (SEP), and Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program, as applicable, and State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs) with a tailored method for complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. DOE, recipients, and SHPOs negotiated and executed subsequent programmatic agreements (subsequent PAs; i.e. this Agreement) in accordance with the Prototype PA;

WHEREAS, the Prototype PA originally provided that each subsequent PA would be valid for three years from the date of execution. As the result of ACHP's Program Comment dated March 11, 2013, however, all subsequent PAs, including this Agreement, were extended through December 31, 2020. (78 FR 16275, 16277);

WHEREAS, ACHP, NCSHPO, and DOE recognize the Prototype PA and subsequent PAs continue to provide great value to DOE, recipients, and SHPOs, notwithstanding expiration of most Recovery Act funding, this amendment extends the use of the Agreement for an additional 10 years; and

WHEREAS, DOE will send a copy of this executed amendment to the ACHP;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Stipulation XV of the Agreement, the signatories of this Amendment agree as follows:

1. Amend Stipulation XVI so it reads as follows:

This PA will be valid until December 31, 2030, as verified with DOE filing the PA with the ACHP.

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