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PIPELINE SAFETY

2010 State Damage Prevention Grant

for

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION NEVADA

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

APPLICATION

2010 GRANT PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF STATE DAMAGE PREVENTION

The PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION NEVADA hereby applies to the Department of Transportation for Federal funds appropriated for the support of State Damage Prevention Programs established under 49 U.S.C. Section 60134 et seq.

The state agency plans to carry out the State Damage Prevention Program, during calendar year 2010, as described in Attachment 1, "Project Abstract/Statement of Objectives". To accomplish the program, the state agency proposes to expend funds as set forth in Attachment 4, "State Damage Prevention Estimated Budget".

Signature

Title

Date



Project Abstract/Statement of Objectives

Please provide a clear and concise description of the work this grant will fund for calendar year 2010

For the calendar year 2010 the Grant funds will be spent on the following:

1) Participation with the Nevada Regional Common Ground Alliance (NRCGA). With the active involvement of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada's (PUCN) Staff, the 9 Elements have been and will continue to be implemented through this organization during 2010.

2) Enforcement of Nevada's One-Call Statute, NRS 455. The PUCN has been using its enforcement authority since 2008. Enforcement procedures have been developed and these enforcement activities will continue during 2010.



State Damage Prevention Elements

ELEMENT 1 - EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

"Participation by operators, excavators, and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of methods for establishing and maintaining effective communications between stakeholders from receipt of an excavation notification until successful completion of the excavation, as appropriate."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) No

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

Nevada's NRS 455.084, "Association for Operators" defines the Association as an organization that receives notifications pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 455.110 and transmits such notifications to its members. USA North (USAN) is effectively performing this One-Call function for all of Nevada's stakeholders.

Nevada's One-Call center has been in operation since 1975. There are no enhancements proposed for 2010 at this time.



ELEMENT 3 - OPERATOR INTERNAL PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

"A process for reviewing the adequacy of a pipeline operator's internal performance measures regarding persons performing locating services and quality assurance programs."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) No

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

There are no state initiatives that support this Element.

The LDC's in Nevada have effective locator QA/QC programs based on 49 CFR 192. Nevada has performed special audits of these programs in the past and is confident of the competency of the programs. This is constantly reinforced by the inspectors in the field following up on any locating deficiency found.

This will be included in Element 7.



ELEMENT 5 - PUBLIC EDUCATION

"A process for fostering and ensuring active participation by all stakeholders in public education for damage prevention activities."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) No

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

There are no state initiatives that address this Element.

The NRCGA is implementing a permanent Public Outreach/Education Subcommittee, which will pool major stakeholders efforts and resources in advertising and Public Awareness. The LDC's have heavily invested in RP-1162.



Legislative/Regulatory Actions

Provide a description of any legislature or regulatory actions (including legislative/regulatory studies) taken by the State within the past five (5) years pertaining to damage prevention program improvement, even if those actions were not completely successful.

The 2007 legislature made changes to NRS 455, Nevada's One-Call Statute that included:

- 1) reducing the marking tolerance from 30 to 24 inches.
- 2) increasing the length of a ticket from 14 to 28 days.
- 3) extending enforcement authority to the PUCN Staff.



State Damage Prevention Application Attachments

PUC Pipeline Safety Grant Letter.pdf



SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES

(a) Grant Program		(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e)TOTALS
8.	State Damage Prevention Program	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
9.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
10.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
11.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)		\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS

	Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
14. Non-Federal	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT

(a) Grant Program		FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (YEARS)			
		(b)First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth
16.	State Damage Prevention Program	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
17.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
18.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
19.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16 - 19)		\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION

21. Direct Charges: <input type="text"/>	22. Indirect Charges: <input type="text"/>
23. Remarks: <input type="text"/>	

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

Version 02

* 1. Type of Submission:

- Preapplication
 Application
 Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:

- New
 Continuation
 Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify)

* 3. Date Received:

08/28/2009

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

* 5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION NEVADA

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

88-6000022

* c. Organizational DUNS:

878878743

d. Address:

* Street1:

1150E William Street

Street2:

* City:

Carson City

County:

* State:

NV: Nevada

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code:

89701

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

NEVADA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMM

Division Name:

Safety and Quality Assurance

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

Mr.

* First Name:

Grant

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Siwinski

Suffix:

n/a

Title:

Manager SQA

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number:

775-684-6146

Fax Number:

775-684-6142

* Email:

nv@napsr.net

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9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

A: State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

Pipeline & Hazardous Material Safety Administration

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

20.720

CFDA Title:

Pipeline Safety

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

DTPH56-10-SN-0001

* Title:

State Damage Prevention Grants

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION NEVADA State Damage Prevention

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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*** Applicant Federal Debt Delinquency Explanation**

The following field should contain an explanation if the Applicant organization is delinquent on any Federal Debt. Maximum number of characters that can be entered is 4,000. Try and avoid extra spaces and carriage returns to maximize the availability of space.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

*** APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION**

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION NEVADA

*** PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**

Prefix: Mr. * First Name: Grant Middle Name:

* Last Name: Siwinski Suffix: n/a

* Title: Manager SQA

*** SIGNATURE:** Clark Stoner

*** DATE:** 08/28/2009



Office of the Governor

JIM GIBBONS
GOVERNOR

August 11, 2009

Mr. Warren D. Osterberg
Agreement Officer
USDOT/PHMSA
ATTN: Office of Contracts and Procurement (PHA-30)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Room E22-103
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: PIPELINE SAFETY AND DAMAGE PREVENTION GRANTS

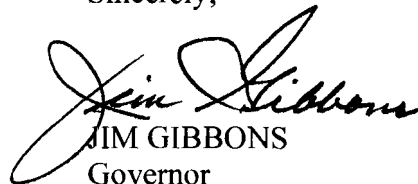
Dear Mr. Osterberg,

Nevada participates in the oversight of pipeline transportation pursuant to an annual 49 United States Code, (U.S.C.) section 60105 certification with the Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration. Under that certificate, the Regulatory Operations Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) enforces Nevada's Damage Prevention Program pursuant to NRS 455.080 to NRS 455.180. The enforcement authority is specifically set forth under NRS 455.170 Civil penalty.

The Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement, and Safety Act of 2006, Section 60134, State Damage Protection Programs, states that the Secretary of Transportation may make a grant to a State authority to assist in improving the overall quality and effectiveness of a states damage prevention program.

I hereby authorize the PUCN as the state authority eligible to receive Damage Prevention Grants for the State of Nevada under solicitation DTPH56-10-SN-0001.

Sincerely,


JIM GIBBONS
Governor