

Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Update

NPPD Board of Directors Meeting Strategic Business Matters October 2023

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# Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA)

- Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA) Fixed Award
  - NPPD invited to submit application
- Carbon Capture and Sequestration
  - Carbon Capture Demonstration Project for GGS Unit 2
  - Full application submitted May 23, 2023

#### • Hydrogen Hub

- Nebraska, Iowa, and Missouri jointly formed the proposed Midcontinent Clean Energy Hydrogen Hub (MCH2) to exemplify a functioning clean hydrogen hub in support of Department of Energy's (DOE) strategy for achieving net-zero carbon emissions by 2050
- DOE released Notice of Intent (NOI) for additional \$1B for Hydrogen Hub Demand Side Mechanisms
  - MCH2 team submitted NOI letter on July 24, 2023

#### Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

- Rural Energy for America (REAP) Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Program
  - Received grant award for up to \$200,000 for Sustainable Energy Department to provide energy assessments/audits over the next three years
  - NPPD intends to pass along \$350 per application to local utility partners who voluntarily assist their customers in completing REAP applications
- 45U Zero Emissions Nuclear Facility Credit (existing nuclear)
  - Waiting for Internal Revenue Service/Treasury Rules to be released; guidance which could impact the overall eligibility/amount of credit
  - Working on modeling potentials for the credits
- Solar for All
  - Coalition member of Nebraska Dept. of Environment and Energy's application
  - Application due October 12, 2023
- Empowering Rural America New ERA Program
  - Exploring opportunities with eligible customers

## **Upcoming Opportunities of Interest**

- Strategically reviewing capital projects against funding programs
- Rural & Municipal Utility Cybersecurity Program (RMUC)
- Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnership (GRIP) Phase 2
  - Program to be released Winter of 2023
- Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE)
  - Grid Resilience Formula Grant
    - Awarded \$10.8M for years 2022 & 2023
    - Creating guidance for program Spring of 2024
  - Climate Pollution Reduction Program (CPRG)
    - Received \$3M; NDEE will develop a Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) due by March 1, 2024

### **Customer Updates**

- Bi-weekly Customer Sharing Sessions
- Customer Meeting Presentations
- Sharing funding programs which may be of interest
- Engagement with Account Managers

### **Compliance Requirements**

- Engaged with consultants to help with grant writing and understanding and preparing for compliance requirements
- Prevailing Wage and Reporting Team
  - Preparing for prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements
  - Must meet prevailing wage to receive 5x bonus for 45U (zeroemissions nuclear facility credit)

#### Procurement

- Updating contract language to ensure contractors / vendors meet compliance requirements under IIJA & IRA
- Oversight program to monitor contractor compliance

#### Finance

Creating policies and procedures for Direct Pay and other financial compliance requirements



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