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Department of Commerce

REVIEWER CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CONFIDENTIALITY CERTIFICATION FOR NON-GOVERNMENTAL PEER REVIEWERS

1. Confidentiality of Documents and Restriction on Contact

II understand thatI understand that _____ applications forproposed awardsare madeI understand that _____ applications for proposed awards applications against the published evaluation criteria for the financial assistance program.

II agree not to discuss the contents oftheI agree not to discuss the contents of the applications outside the DepartmentI agree not to discuss the proposalsproposals within the Department onlyproposals within the Department only with the other reviewers and Department staff members a proceduresprocedures for, application review. Iprocedures for, application review. I agreeprocedures for, application review. I agree to f review forms. I also agree to retain no copies of documents or parts of documents related to this review.

II further agreeI further agree not to contact the originators of applications being reviewed concerning any aspect of theirI further agree not to agree not to use any information obtained as a result of my participation as a panel member for personal or private gain.

2. Conflict of Interest

I hereby certify that, toI hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, I do not have a conflictI hereby certify that, to the best of my knowl likely to raiselikely to raise the appearance of a conflictlikely to raise the appearance of a conflict of interest, impropriety, or the appearance o any application I am asked to review or comment on.

ForFor purposesFor purposes of this agreement, I understand that a financial interest may include employment,For purposes of this agreement, I relationship,relationship, or prospective employment with anrelationship, or prospective employment with an applrelationship, or prospe organizationalorganizational conflict where, because of other activities or relationships with other persons or enorganizational conflict wh potentiallypotentially unable potentially unable to render impartial assistance or advice to the Government. It could also result from non-fin individual, such as benefit to reputation or prestige in a professional field.

II also recognize that I will be considered to have a financial or other interest, and therefore a conflict of inteI also recognize that I will b following has a financial or other interest in a financial assistance application I am asked to review or comment on:

(1) I, my spouse, minor child, or general partner;
(2) A profit or non-profit organization in which I serve as an officer, director, trustee, general partner, or employee; or
(3) AnyAny person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerAny person or organization with w consultantship, or a past employer (within the last year).

II recognize that this certification is a continuing representation. I acknowledge thatI recognize that this certification is a continuing representat all of the work performed by me under this agreement.

IfIf I discover thatIf I discover that I might have aIf I discover that I might have a conflict of interest, might present a conflict of interest, or mig of objectivity with any application within the competition, I will immediatelyof objectivity with any application within the competition, I will from further work as a reviewer until authorized to continue.

II also understand thatI also understand that my views as a non-Governmental peer reviewer will be protected fromI also understand that my v law.

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