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Mr. Morrison:

We are pleased to inform you that the Greensboro Police Department application for the purchase of two (2) Zero Electric Motorcycles received final approval from the program sponsor, the NC Department of Transportation and the Federal Highways Administration. The project award is for an amount up to \$23,013.00 with a minimum required cost share of 20%.

You will shortly receive a statement of work (SOW), based on your application and discussions and modifications that occurred during the application and review process, for review and approval before it is submitted to the NCSU Contracts and Grants office. This is the time to be sure of project parameters and timing. This award is for reimbursement of a fixed amount. If the costs to complete the project exceed the approved amount, the additional costs will be borne by the Greensboro Police Department. However, if the project costs are less than the estimated budget, the amount reimbursed may not be the full amount. The amount reimbursed will be subject to the 20% minimum cost share requirement.

It is also important to note that there are several state and federal requirements that need to be met:

- "Useful life/replacement standards" requirement for the project as defined per <u>41 CFR</u> <u>102.34.270</u> (up to two years for all leases). Note that lease agreements cannot result in the owner's acquisition/ownership of the equipment.
- "Buy America compliance certification", all projects need to certify that all purchased components using CFAT funding meet the FHWA Buy America requirements. For FHWA, the requirements are specific to all steel and iron used on a project and states that "all manufacturing processes, including application of a coating, for these materials must occur in the United States" with little exception. (See link below on FHWA Buy America requirement.)





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FHWA Buy America link: <u>https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2013-title23-vol1/xml/CFR-2013-title23-vol1-sec635-410.xml</u>

 "Procurement standards" per 2 CFR 200 and the exemptions obtained by the US Department of Transportation, codified at 2 CFR 1201 require the Subrecipient shall follow a competitive procurement process similar to the state regulations for procuring

goods and services. When procuring <u>property</u> and services under a Federal award, a <u>state</u> must follow the same policies and procedures it uses for procurements from its non-Federal funds. The <u>state</u> will comply with <u>§200.322</u> Procurement of recovered *materials* and ensure that every purchase order or other <u>contract</u> includes any clauses required by section <u>§200.326</u> <u>Contract</u> provisions. All other non-Federal entities, including <u>subrecipients</u> of a <u>state</u>, will follow <u>§§ 200.318</u> General procurement standards through §§200.326 <u>Contract</u> provisions. An applicant organization must submit their procurement policies or a description of their procurement process demonstrating a transparent, open and competitive procurement process.

Link to 2 CFR 200 and sub-paragraphs (318 through 326 included): <u>https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/granule/CFR-2014-title2-vol1/CFR-2014-title2-vol1-sec200-320</u>

After the SOW is finalized, we encourage you to issue a press release and take advantage of every opportunity to educate others about your use of alternative fuel(s) and advanced transportation technologies. Along with recognizing the NC Clean Energy Technology Center/NC State University, please acknowledge the NC Department of Transportation.

Thanks for the Greensboro Police Department and interest in improving North Carolina's air quality. We look forward to working with you on successful completion of the project.

Sincerely,

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