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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, Bureau of Public Health Protection, Radiological Emergency Response to accept and expend other funds in the amount of \$40,664.00 from the Department of Safety, Homeland Security Emergency Management, Utility Assessment Fees to fund the Radiological Emergency Response Program effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2019, and further authorize the funds to be allocated as follows. 100% Other Funds.

05-95-90-901510-52990000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HHS: DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BUREAU PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION, RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE
SFY 2019

Class/Object	Class Title	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
001-484923	Other Funds	\$360,978.07	\$40,664.00	\$401,642.07
	General Funds	\$33,276.00	\$0.00	\$33,276.00
Total Revenue		\$394,254.07	\$40,664.00	\$434,918.07
010-500100	Personal Services - Perm	\$141,464.00	\$0.00	\$141,464.00
018-500106	Overtime	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00
019-500105	Holiday Pay	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$9,213.80	\$3,319.00	\$12,532.80
022-500248	Rents-Leases Other Than State	\$1,612.46	\$0.00	\$1,612.46
024-500225	Maint Other Than Build-Grounds	\$90,007.00	\$0.00	\$90,007.00
026-500251	Organizational Dues	\$295.00	\$0.00	\$295.00
030-500302	Equipment New Replacement	\$35,000.00	\$37,345.00	\$72,345.00
039-500188	Telecommunications	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
057-500533	Books Periodicals Subscript	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
060-500601	Benefits	\$89,280.00	\$0.00	\$89,280.00
066-500543	Employee Training	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
070-500707	In State Travel Reimbursement	\$5,850.00	\$0.00	\$5,850.00
080-500717	Out Of State Travel Reimbursement	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
102-500731	Contracts For Program Services	\$12,031.81	\$0.00	\$12,031.81
Total Expenses		\$394,254.07	\$40,664.00	\$434,918.07

EXPLANATION

The Public Health Laboratories Radiochemistry unit needs to replace a gamma radiation detection and measurement system. The current system is 26 years old, requires frequent repairs and will no longer be supported by the vendor. The gamma detection system is used to analyze various environmental, food and water samples in support of the department's routine radiological environmental monitoring and emergency response programs. If this equipment is not replaced, the laboratory risks losing valuable radiation detection capability and will not be able to support key health and environmental protection programs, putting the health and safety of New Hampshire's citizens at risk.

Funds are budgeted as follows:

Class 020 – The funds included in current expenses will be used to support the purchase of National Institute of Standards and Technology certified standard reference materials necessary for the calibration of alpha, beta and gamma detector systems in order to produce quality measurements and data.

Class 030 – The funds included in equipment will be used to support the purchase of a replacement gamma radiation detection and measurement system.

In response to the anticipated two-part question, "Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?" and "What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?" the Division offers the following information: These funds may not be used to offset General Funds as they are specifically granted to the state for the purpose of purchasing the supplies and equipment described above.

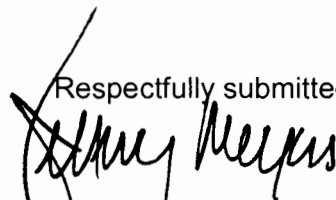
These funds will not change the program eligibility levels. No new program will be established with the acceptance of these funds.

Area served: Statewide

Source of funds: These funds are 100% Other Funds (Utility Assessment Fees, VT Yankee Settlement Fund) to fund the Radiological Emergency Response Program.

In the event that these Other Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey A. Meyers
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May 22, 2019

Jeffrey A. Meyers, Commissioner
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Dear Commissioner Meyers,

This FY 2019 Assessment Award Letter is being reissued to you due to errors in the previous letter dated October 30, 2018. The previous letter incorrectly stated the funds available to DPHS for support of the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) program in class 20 (\$10,883) and class 30 (\$20,300). The correct class 20 component award is \$10,000 and the correct class 30 component award is \$40,320. As indicated in the October 30, 2018 letter, the funds allocated in these classes will help cover the associated costs incurred by NH Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services for purchase of a Gamma Radiation Detection System, and consumables used in maintaining and improving an emergency preparedness capability commensurate with the requirements of the New Hampshire REP Program. These awards will be provided through supplemental funding from the Vermont Yankee (VY) Settlement Fund managed by HSEM.

NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management apologizes for the inconvenience this error may have caused. We look forward to working with you on the continued development and enhancement of the REP Program capabilities and activities. Your Field Representative and the staff of REP Planning stand ready to assist you and your emergency management team with the responsibilities associated with your role in the Offsite Response Organization (ORO).

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact your Field Representative at NHHSEMFieldServices@dos.nh.gov or REP Planning at REP@dos.nh.gov.

Thank you for your continuing support of the REP Program in New Hampshire.

Sincerely,

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