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Subject: FW: Help us ensure NJ gets its fair share of federal Sandy aid!!

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From: egg@dca.state.nj.us [mailto:egg@dca.state.nj.us]
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Subject: Help us ensure NJ gets its fair share of federal Sandy aid!!

Dear Municipal Clerk:

As the federal legislation aimed at providing block grants to states for damages from SANDY winds its way through the Congressional appropriation process, it is this State's intent to seek the maximum amount of grant money possible to fund rebuild and resiliency projects for communities and utility authorities. The DEP, through its financing partner, the NJEIT, is collecting data to support the State's request to the Federal Government for funds for water-related repairs AND resiliency project expenses for protection against future hazards. Even if your facility was not directly impacted by Sandy, you may still be eligible for project expenses to mitigate and protect against hazardous losses in the future.

To optimize this request and maximize the total funds that ultimately get appropriated to New Jersey for water systems and flood protection, the DEP and the NJEIT are coordinating the collection of information.

WE NEED YOUR ASSESSMENT OF TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS (for both "As-Is" repairs and new "Hazardous Mitigation")

In projecting your total water infrastructure requirements, we need your responses to be ALL INCLUSIVE with respect to cost estimates relating to your infrastructure rebuild needs (e.g. we have a request for (2) generators for back-up power - a

request for which we think there will be grant funds available, and as such should be included in our Assessment and final ask).

Please keep in mind that the total amount of funds being made available from the federal legislation is being appropriated through a variety of Federal Agencies, many of whom the DEP does not typically deal with, but who will have appropriated funds available for DEP related infrastructure projects. As such, the DEP will be putting in funding requests to all of these agencies as part of this unique legislation.

e.g. Beside the EPA and NOAA - the DEP's typical relationships - these agencies could include:

- DOD / Army Corp of Engineers (Flood control, Mitigation Planning & Design)
- Dept. of Ag (Watershed Protection, Conservation)
- NOAA (Shellfish bed assessment)
- HUD (community infrastructure)
- Historic Preservation (106 and Construction)
- Dept. of Interior (for Nat'l Parks)

So, again, be ALL INCLUSIVE in your total water infrastructure requirements.

Please fill out the assessment form at: www.njeit.org/sandy. It should take less than 5 minutes!

(Note: THIS IS NOT A COMMITMENT for funds on your part - or ours).

If you have already submitted your information through this link, thank you for doing so.

WE WILL BE CONTACTING YOU WITHIN THE NEXT 10 BUSINESS DAYS TO REVIEW YOUR COST ESTIMATES AND ATTEMPT TO SEGMENT YOUR EXPENSES INTO THE APPROPRIATE APPROPRIATION BUCKETS TO MAXIMIZE THE GRANT DOLLARS WE HOPE TO PROCURE FOR YOU.

For more information about this notice please contact:

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