Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Pertaining to Extension of Application Period to March 31, 2023 for
Grid Resilience Formula Grants to States and Indian Tribes
IIJA Section 40101(d)

FAQs Issued September 2, 2022

• When are applications due?

The application period under ALRD DE-FOA-0002736 (BIL Section 40101d – PREVENTING OUTAGES AND ENHANCING THE RESILIENCE OF THE ELECTRIC GRID FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES AND INDIAN TRIBES) has been extended from September 30, 2022 to March 31, 2023. The ALRD Amendment 002 reflecting this change is posted in FedConnect, and is available through Section 40101(d) Formula Grants to States & Indian Tribes | netl.doe.gov.

• If my state has an application ready to submit based to the original September 30, 2022 deadline, may that application still be submitted or do we need to wait until later to submit the application?

Applications may be submitted any time prior to the March 31, 2023 deadline, and the applications will be processed when they are received. Accordingly, grants may be awarded prior to March 31, 2023 based on those applications.

• How will the extension of the grant application period impact the year 2 grant allocation funding cycle?

DOE plans to post the year 2 allocation amounts by January 2023. States and Indian Tribes may wait to submit an application after that time and have the application reflect the combined year 1 and year 2 allocations. If a State or Indian Tribe submits an application prior to the January 2023 release of the Year 2 allocation based on only the year one allocation and the grant agreement is issued based on that amount, the State or Indian Tribe would need to make a separate request for the Year 2 allocation, and that allocation would be issued as an amendment to the grant agreement. Additional information will be provided regarding the annual allocation request cycle and application process at a later date.

• My Indian Tribe/State has already published its public notice and conducted the public hearing? How does the extension impact that?

The information in your Program Narrative and presented in the public notice and hearing should indicate the time period covered by the criteria and strategies. If the Program Narrative information presented in the public notice and hearing indicated that it addressed more than
one year, then an additional public notice and hearing is not needed prior to submitting an application that would request your Year 2 allocation, as long as the Program Narrative has not been revised. If the Program Narrative information presented in the public notice and hearing indicated that it applied to only the Year 1 allocation, then a second public notice and hearing reflecting the Year 2 Program Narrative would be needed if you submit an application that requests both years 1 and 2 allocations.

- **Does DOE plan to issue another amendment to the ALRD prior to September 30, 2022?**

DOE is reviewing questions submitted by States and Tribes and will issue ALRD amendments to provide additional clarification when warranted.