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2010 State Damage Prevention Grant

for

SC Palmetto Utility Protection Service

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

APPLICATION

2010 GRANT PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF STATE DAMAGE PREVENTION

The SC Palmetto Utility Protection Service hereby applies to the Department of Transportation for Federal funds appropriated for the support of State Damage Prevention Programs established under 49 U.S.C. Section 60134 et seq.

The state agency plans to carry out the State Damage Prevention Program, during calendar year 2010, as described in Attachment 1, "Project Abstract/Statement of Objectives". To accomplish the program, the state agency proposes to expend funds as set forth in Attachment 4, "State Damage Prevention Estimated Budget".

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Title

Date



Project Abstract/Statement of Objectives

Please provide a clear and concise description of the work this grant will fund for calendar year 2010

Palmetto Utility Protection Service (PUPS) is South Carolina's centralized one-call center that notifies underground facility owners of a planned excavation. PUPS is a state-wide family committed to the safety of the community and damage prevention for South Carolina. With the awarded funds, PUPS will provide more effective training, advanced technology and more effective damage prevention communication. PUPS has an extensive training process that incorporates all aspects of the one-call process and damage prevention communication. With further assistance, PUPS can provide improved training materials, cross training experiences and equipment. To provide accuracy and assurance for tickets, PUPS would like to implement cross training with locators, excavators and utilities. This program would include Customer Service Representatives (CSRs) participating in presentations and demonstration with utility locators. PUPS and other one-call centers from across the nation have been working on training videos for CSRs. The videos would include information that is not available in current damage prevention videos. It would be geared specifically for CSRs and tailored for each state's law. PUPS would like to provide its CSRs with self-guided training CD-ROMS. CSRs could use these CD-ROMS as a supplement to their other training activities. Effective training can only be reached through effective management. PUPS would like to participate in the Southeastern One-Call Manager's Meeting held twice a year in various states across the southeast. PUPS began the initial step with advertising, but have not impacted the South Carolina market. With further assistance, PUPS would produce TV, radio, print and web campaigns throughout the entire state of South Carolina. With continuous advertisements, PUPS will reach its ultimate goal of providing damage prevention and safety for the entire state of South Carolina. PUPS will become a household name throughout South Carolina with this mass media campaign. PUPS provides effective technological improvements in the one-call damage prevention process. With further assistance, PUPS can continue our active pursuit for enhanced technology. PUPS would be able to acquire street data from individual counties in South Carolina and other sources. This will provide up-to-date base maps and ensure more accurate tickets. The redesign of the website allowed PUPS to explore more enhancements. PUPS would like to provide mobile website compatibility as well. The PUPS website would be available to view on smart phones and PDA devices. With their mobile internet enhancement PUPS would need to purchase a new server. This server would support the mobile website. If awarded, the funds would cover the expenses for all of these improvements during the 2010 calendar year.



State Damage Prevention Elements

ELEMENT 1 - EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

"Participation by operators, excavators, and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of methods for establishing and maintaining effective communications between stakeholders from receipt of an excavation notification until successful completion of the excavation, as appropriate."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) Yes

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

PUPS was formed in 1978 and since then PUPS has produced effective and timely communication between the one-call process and operators, excavators and other stakeholders involved. PUPS receives over 2,000 calls a day, which is down from previous years. PUPS has an average pick-up answer time of 38 seconds and an average talk time of 6 minutes. The talk time varies due to the amount of tickets that are being called in. All calls are recorded and filed for three years. PUPS damage prevention communication starts with public awareness for those planning to dig. Once callers dial 811, the national call before you dig number, they are asked for their information including their name, number and e-mail address. The caller is then asked to answer detailed questions about the planned excavation. The information is then mapped on our state-of-the art mapping system. Callers are given a ticket confirmation number and an e-mail copy of the ticket, if applicable. Then the ticket information and location is transmitted to the appropriate utility facility through e-mail or FTP transmission. Locators from the utility company or their representative are sent out to locate the underground utility lines. South Carolina state law requires callers to wait 72-hours before digging to allow for locating underground lines. Although PUPS is not directly involved in the locating process, the call center is still utilized throughout the scope of the excavation process. PUPS offers four ticket types to assist with the project after the initial call. The tickets are no-show, re-mark, cancel and up-date tickets. The no-show tickets allow callers to call back to PUPS after the 72-hours has past and report that the underground utility/utilities were not located or marked. PUPS then re-sends the ticket to the appropriate utility company that did not mark the property. Re-mark tickets allow callers to request underground utility lines to be relocated when the markings are destroyed, usually by construction activities or weather. Cancel tickets may be called in if the marking instructions and/or the location of the excavation change. These must be called in before the 72-hour notice. Update tickets are requested when the excavation will continue through the original 15 working day notice. These tickets and notifications allow PUPS to assist through the scope of all excavating projects. In addition to the one-call process, PUPS provides damage prevention communication through public education, membership and partnership with various organizations with the same goal. PUPS abides by the South Carolina Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act. Although PUPS has no authority to enforce the law, PUPS follows it. PUPS provides damage prevention communication through all available avenues during the one-call notification process. PUPS provides exceptional communication pathways between the one-call process and stakeholders.

ELEMENT 2 - COMPREHENSIVE STAKEHOLDER SUPPORT

"A process for fostering and ensuring the support and partnership of stakeholders, including excavators, operators, locators, designers, and local government in all phases of the program."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) Yes

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

PUPS has a very active community of supporters and partners that foster the common goal of damage prevention and safety for everyone involved including the general public. PUPS has active partnerships with the Common Ground Alliance, Office of Regulatory Staff, Nationwide One-Call Centers, State-wide Utility Coordinating Committees and Board Members who represent 21 different types of utility companies in South Carolina. Our membership with the Common Ground Alliance increases our understanding of damage prevention issues, provides the Best Practices guidelines, allows participation in the One-Call Systems International Committee and presents advertising opportunities. The Office of Regulatory Staff and PUPS continue to work together promoting damage prevention messages to the various stakeholder groups such as operators, facility locate contractors, utility installation contractors/excavators, and others. This is accomplished by the distribution of printed materials, distribution of promotional items and presentations promoting damage prevention to various groups. The office of Regulatory Staff and PUPS support each other's efforts and compliment each other by participating in joint ventures where presentations are made and work together in securing federal grant funding whenever possible. Also, a portion of the pipeline safety inspection and audit procedure includes discussion with the gas operator concerning its relationship with PUPS, and where issues are indicated the Office of Regulatory Staff follows-up with PUPS. PUPS continues support and partnership with national One-Call Centers through advertising efforts and participation in the Southeastern One-Call Systems (SOCS). We initiate contact with stakeholder groups such as local governmental representatives, design/consult representatives, and the affected public who live and work near buried utility facilities. This is accomplished through South Carolina's 15 active Utility Coordinating Committees. These meetings allow for discussions about their upcoming projects, concerns, comments and questions they may have and work together to minimize damages and maximize safety on the job site. The PUPS Board of Directors hold meetings four times a year to ensure their involvement in the one-call process. They work with the PUPS staff on a regular basis providing assistance in each area of the One-Call Center. In addition to meetings, the board members are always promoting PUPS within and outside of their companies. PUPS also has partnerships with contractors, excavators, locators and homeowners who are aware of the importance for damage prevention. We all work together to inform others of our service and to enhance our services. We ensure our support through our increasing membership, state-of-the-art mapping services, trained employees, public education and evaluations. No project is too big or too small with the support of PUPS partnerships.

Describe how the proposed project will enhance or continue implementation of this element: (Required only if proposal addresses this element)

Our partnership and support is extremely important to PUPS. We will always find ways to

ELEMENT 3 - OPERATOR INTERNAL PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

"A process for reviewing the adequacy of a pipeline operator's internal performance measures regarding persons performing locating services and quality assurance programs."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) No

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

PUPS is the one-call center for the state of South Carolina. The South Carolina State law does not require PUPS to adapt this element. The individual pipeline operators are responsible for reviewing the adequacy of their internal performance. However, the Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations require all gas companies to be members with a one-call center. PUPS provides the list of companies that call in tickets near each gas pipeline in South Carolina. This list is provided to individual gas companies when requested.



ELEMENT 4 - EFFECTIVE EMPLOYEE TRAINING

"Participation by operators, excavators, and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of effective employee training programs to ensure that operators, the one call center, the enforcing agency, and the excavators have partnered to design and implement training for the employees of operators, excavators, and locators."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) Yes

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

PUPS has an extensive training process that incorporates all aspects of the one-call process and damage prevention communication. Our Customer Service Representatives (CSRs) are trained for four to six weeks. The training process incorporates damage prevention training videos; listening to experienced CSRs take calls; learning how to take calls, tickets and learning how to map tickets. CSRs training also includes educating first time callers of the damage prevention process. CSRs are trained on traffic engineering which includes roads, railways and bridges. They are provided with detailed manuals that are updated and reviewed regularly. Tests are also given at the end of training and they must possess a strong command of the ticket, mapping and communication processes before becoming a CSR. Evaluations and training continue through the scope of employment. PUPS currently has 14 CSR's that have been with the company for more than five years. CSRs are also trained on how to complete and process web-tickets. Web-tickets are a free service available to the public. Normal and Update tickets are available to fill out on our website 24-hours a day and 7 days a week. Once they are submitted they are processed and mapped by CSRs. In addition to web tickets, PUPS offers the remote user program to member utilities and high volume contractors. This is a free service and users are trained by PUPS staff. With the remote user program, participants are able to enter tickets at their convenience and when they enter their tickets it is processed just as if a CSR was entering it. PUPS also train CSRs on the Project and Ticket Management Program. This is a two phase program for utility member excavators, contractors or subcontractors operating in South Carolina. This program is designed to enhance damage prevention of underground utility lines while establishing and expanding communication between PUPS member utilities and the excavators. To eliminate a language barrier, the CSRs have access to a language line. The language line allows CSRs to communicate with customers through an interpreter. Images and the definitions of excavation and construction equipment, how they are used and what they are used for are displayed in the call center. This familiarizes the staff with the excavation process. All employees are trained on the Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act and the APWA Color Codes. PUPS holds an "open door" policy for any visitors that want to receive a tour of our call center and learn more about the damage prevention process.

Describe how the proposed project will enhance or continue implementation of this element: (Required only if proposal addresses this element)

With further assistance, PUPS can provide improved training materials, experiences and equipment. To provide accuracy and assurance for tickets, PUPS would like to implement cross training with locators, excavators and utilities. This program would include CSRs participating in presentations and demonstration with utility locators. These presentations and demonstrations would be set up at the PUPS office with mock locating tickets. This will

ELEMENT 5 - PUBLIC EDUCATION

"A process for fostering and ensuring active participation by all stakeholders in public education for damage prevention activities."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) Yes

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

PUPS has an active public education program and public awareness program with support and participation from many stakeholders. PUPS works with utility members, other one-call centers, contractors and excavators to provide maximum exposure for PUPS and damage prevention. PUPS conducts state-wide advertising through print media, web media and TV media. PUPS produces and sends out quarterly newsletters highlighting recent news. PUPS also worked closely with a utility member in a joint media campaign. The campaign included two morning show appearances on local TV station and exclusively produced public service announcements that ran during prime time. This campaign reached over 300,000 households in the Columbia, South Carolina area. In addition to joint ventures, PUPS was able to provide its own TV advertisement in Greenville, South Carolina reaching over 400,000 households. In addition to TV advertisements, PUPS purchased radio spots in Charleston and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. PUPS was also featured in four newspapers including one state-wide newspaper. PUPS also participates in sponsorships with its members and partnered with two different utility member companies to provide vehicle decals with 811 and PUPS logos. PUPS recently got involved in national advertising with other one-call centers. Working together, the one-call centers purchased an advertisement in the Delta Sky Mall Magazine, which reaches over 5.2 million readers. PUPS also got recognition for its work with the National Safe Digging Month campaign. PUPS teamed with one of its member utilities and a local elementary school to provide a media event. Students were taught the importance of damage prevention and to "Call Before you Dig." This media event was featured on a local TV station. The call volume during the National Safe Digging Month campaign increased. In addition to advertisements, PUPS attends conferences and meetings to promote damage prevention. PUPS attends home show conferences throughout the entire state to reach homeowners and the general public. PUPS also attends Utility Coordinating Committee meetings across the state, the South Carolina Pipeline Safety Seminar, excavation conferences, rural water conferences, association of counties conferences and Hispanic contractor conferences. PUPS provides educational materials during the conferences and meetings. The educational materials include, color code cards, copies of the state law, bumper stickers for vehicles, white-lining guidelines, pens, pencils, magnets and informational brochures. They include the 811 and the PUPS logo. PUPS also provides safety presentations for any organization interested in damage prevention and information about PUPS. These are conducted state-wide and provide safety bags with PUPS information. PUPS also developed a Hispanic Awareness Program. With the assistance of a bilingual CSR, PUPS has reached out to the Hispanic Community. The program includes attendance at conferences, safety presentations in Spanish, and informational resources in Spanish. The educational resources include Spanish brochures, construction dictionaries in Spanish and English, and magnets in Spanish. Finally, PUPS developed a new website. This website is user friendly, easy to navigate and provides detailed information about damage



ELEMENT 6 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

"A process for resolving disputes that defines the State authority's role as a partner and facilitator to resolve issues."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) No

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

South Carolina's state law, Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act, does not define the state authority's role as a partner and facilitator to resolve disputes or issues. PUPS does utilize all of its resources to assist resolving disputes when possible. All calls and tickets are recorded and kept on file for three years. PUPS staff will make court appearances when necessary to explain the one-call process.



ELEMENT 7 - ENFORCEMENT

"Enforcement of State damage prevention laws and regulations for all aspects of the damage prevention process, including public education, and the use of civil penalties for violations assessable by the appropriate State authority."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) No

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

South Carolina's state law, Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act, does not define the state authority's role to enforce civil penalties for violations of the state law. PUPS does utilize all of its resources to assist resolving disputes when possible. All calls and tickets are recorded and kept on file for three years. PUPS staff will make court appearances when necessary to explain the one-call process.



ELEMENT 8 - TECHNOLOGY

"A process for fostering and promoting the use, by all appropriate stakeholders, of improving technologies that may enhance communications, underground pipeline locating capability, and gathering and analyzing information about the accuracy and effectiveness of locating programs."

Does the proposed project address this element? (Required) Yes

Describe any existing state initiatives that support this element: (Required)

PUPS provides effective technological improvements in the one-call damage prevention process. PUPS mission statement includes "ensuring ticket quality and center reliability." Through our enhancements in technology we are able to achieve this part of our mission statement. Over the past five years PUPS has made numerous improvements. These improvements include the purchase and development of GeoCall, software used to manage member information, incoming tickets and transmit tickets to members. GeoCall is the most advanced one-call system developed to-date. It has the ability to provide latitude and longitude points for locators. This software is a result of the partnership with several other states' one call centers with a goal of sharing information and resources in order to provide the best protection and services to members. This partnership is called Progressive Partnering Inc (P2). PUPS also provides Ortho Images to the mapping application of GeoCall. The Ortho Images have aerial views of the state of South Carolina. It allows our CSRs to view enhanced images and has made improvements in mapping tickets. Our P2 partnership allows us to work with KorTerra, a web-based real-time locate management tool. The KorTerra application helps excavators, locators and utility companies manage locates, databases and design projects. The Member Service Area Maintenance (MSAM) is also web-based and allows members to maintain and update their own service areas. PUPS also provides web-tickets through our website. Web-tickets may be entered 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. They are submitted through our secure website and processed by CSR's when they are received. Normal and Update tickets are available and in 2008 web-tickets constituted 14% of total ticket volume. PUPS started its Remote User program in the 1990's and continues to train new users monthly. With over 400 active users and new users signing up, training is offered monthly. Remoter Users Application is for members who need tickets on a regular basis and want to enter tickets 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. Remote Users enter tickets and map tickets just as the PUPS CSRs do. They are monitored by PUPS and provided with detailed manuals. In addition to new software, PUPS purchased new servers in the last year. These servers provide faster processing for all applications at PUPS. Additionally, PUPS developed and updated its website. The new website is easier to navigate through. The PUPS website also allows access to input regular and update tickets. The forms are available through the website and are submitted to the CSRs to process. These enhancements enable PUPS to provide the most effective and efficient one-call damage prevention process.

Describe how the proposed project will enhance or continue implementation of this element: (Required only if proposal addresses this element)

With further assistance, PUPS can continue our active pursuit for enhanced technology. PUPS would be able to acquire street data from individual counties in South Carolina and other sources such as NAVTEQ. This will provide up-to-date base maps and ensure more

Budget Narrative for this element: (Required only if proposal addresses this element)
None at this time.



Legislative/Regulatory Actions

Provide a description of any legislature or regulatory actions (including legislative/regulatory studies) taken by the State within the past five (5) years pertaining to damage prevention program improvement, even if those actions were not completely successful.

Palmetto Utility Protection Service was formed in 1978. Since then, there have been no legislative or regulatory actions. There have been numerous meetings held by the utility facilities and locators in South Carolina to discuss amending the state law. The topics discussed were mandatory membership, being open 24 hours a day and seven days a week and positive response. As of now there have been no legislative or regulatory actions.



State Damage Prevention Application Attachments

Letter to Warren Osterberg 8.20.09.pdf
NAVTEQ Quote- Element 8.pdf
Examples of Advertising in Columbia- Element 5.pdf
Server Quote- Element 8.pdf
Example of Radio Advertising -Element 5.pdf
Underground Focus Quote-Element 4.pdf
Ex. of Advertising in Greenville- Element 5.pdf
Mobile Website Quote- Element 8.pdf



Here is our quote. Just rough numbers but should help for your grant:

This serves as our estimate of costs for developing a mobile web version of certain web pages and forms for the SC1PUPS.org website.

8 mobile web pages, exact details to follow further discussions
3 mobile forms: Create New Ticket, Update Web Ticket, and Promotional Items

Pages and forms will function on a PDA or smartphone such as a Blackberry, will allow a user to post new locate tickets and update tickets to the server (tickets folder) and will display on the PDA screen properly.

Our estimate for developing these 8 pages and 3 forms is between \$2500 and \$3000.

Call if you have any questions.

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President
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SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES

(a) Grant Program		(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e)TOTALS
8.	State Damage Prevention Program	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
9.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)		\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS

	Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ <input type="text"/>				
14. Non-Federal	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ <input type="text"/>				

SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT

(a) Grant Program		FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (YEARS)			
		(b)First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth
16.	State Damage Prevention Program	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
17.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
18.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
19.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16 - 19)		\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION

21. Direct Charges: <input type="text"/>	22. Indirect Charges: <input type="text"/>
23. Remarks: <input type="text"/>	

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* 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application		* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision		* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify) <input type="text"/>	
* 3. Date Received: <input type="text" value="08/24/2009"/>		4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/>			
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/>			* 5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/>		
State Use Only:					
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>		7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>			
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:					
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="SC Palmetto Utility Protection Service"/>					
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="570665107"/>			* c. Organizational DUNS: <input type="text" value="786637678"/>		
d. Address:					
* Street1:	<input type="text" value="810 Dutch Square Blvd, Suite 320"/>				
Street2:	<input type="text"/>				
* City:	<input type="text" value="Columbia"/>				
County:	<input type="text"/>				
* State:	<input type="text" value="SC: South Carolina"/>				
Province:	<input type="text"/>				
* Country:	<input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/>				
* Zip / Postal Code:	<input type="text" value="29210"/>				
e. Organizational Unit:					
Department Name: <input type="text" value="Damage Prevention"/>			Division Name: <input type="text" value="Community Awareness"/>		
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:					
Prefix:	<input type="text" value="Ms."/>	* First Name:	<input type="text" value="Susannah"/>		
Middle Name:	<input type="text"/>				
* Last Name:	<input type="text" value="Runkle"/>				
Suffix:	<input type="text"/>				
Title:	<input type="text" value="Community Awareness Coordinator"/>				
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>					
* Telephone Number:	<input type="text" value="803-939-1117"/>	Fax Number:	<input type="text"/>		
* Email:	<input type="text" value="srunkle@sc1pups.org"/>				

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9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

A: State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

Pipeline & Hazardous Material Safety Administration

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

20.720

CFDA Title:

Pipeline Safety

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

DTPH56-10-SN-0001

* Title:

State Damage Prevention Grants

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

SC Palmetto Utility Protection Service State Damage Prevention

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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*** Applicant Federal Debt Delinquency Explanation**

The following field should contain an explanation if the Applicant organization is delinquent on any Federal Debt. Maximum number of characters that can be entered is 4,000. Try and avoid extra spaces and carriage returns to maximize the availability of space.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

*** APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION**

SC Palmetto Utility Protection Service

*** PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**

Prefix: Ms. * First Name: Susannah Middle Name:

* Last Name: Runkle Suffix:

* Title: Community Awareness Coordinator

*** SIGNATURE:** Susannah Runkle

*** DATE:** 08/24/2009



State of South Carolina

Office of the Governor

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR

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August 20, 2009

Mr. Warren Osterberg
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
East Building, 2nd Floor
Mail Stop: E27-303
1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Osterberg,

I hereby designate Palmetto Utility Protection Service (PUPS) as the eligible recipient for the calendar year 2010 State Damage Prevention Grant, solicitation number DTPH56-10-SN0001. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jeff Schilz in my office at (803) 734-2100. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mark Sanford".

Mark Sanford

MS/ll