



# State of New Mexico

## Office of the Governor

Bill Richardson  
Governor

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Ms. Lisa Jackson, Administrator  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Ariel Rios Building  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20460

RE: Environmental Protection Agency Program Assurances

Dear Administrator Jackson:

Pursuant to the receipt of funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, (H.R.1-172) (ARRA), I want to assure you that the State of New Mexico Environment Department ("the Department") will comply fully with the Accountability and Transparency requirements as well as all reporting criteria for funds received from the following Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") program areas:

- Hazardous Substance Superfund (H.R.1-54)
- Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program (H.R.1-55)
- Capitalization Grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds Under Title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (H.R.1-55)
- Water Quality Management for "**Planning**" Under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (H.R.1-55)
- Capitalization Grants Under Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water State Act (H.R.1-55)
- Brownfields Projects Authorized By Section 104(K) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (H.R.1-56)
- Diesel Emission Reduction Act Grants Pursuant to Title VII, Subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (H.R.1-56). Further, the State of New Mexico and the Department support the purposes and principles of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA") to help stimulate the Nation's economy as outlined in SEC (2), which are as follows:
  1. To preserve and create jobs and promote economic recovery;
  2. To assist those most impacted by the recession;
  3. To provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency by spurring technological advances in science and health;
  4. To invest in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;
  5. To stabilize State and local government budgets, in order to minimize and avoid reductions in essential services and counterproductive state and local tax increases;

We look forward to the immediate disbursement of funds from the EPA to enable the Department to create jobs and promote economic growth within the program areas mentioned above throughout the State of New Mexico.

If you require further information, please contact Secretary Ron Curry or his designee Director Jim Perry at (505) 476-3728. I assure you that we have the authority and the ability to use the stimulus funds effectively and in compliance with the ARRA.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bill Richardson, Governor  
State of New Mexico

cc: Ron Curry, Secretary  
Jim Perry, Director  
Karen Gallegos, Director  
Jim Norton, Director  
Marcy Leavitt, Director