



## ARKANSAS GREEN TECHNOLOGY GRANT PROGRAM (GTGP)

### What is the GTGP?

A \$2.7 million onetime grant program that is targeted to support clean technology companies in Arkansas that make or sell products that contribute to renewable energy (RE) production or storage, energy efficiency (EE), or that result in an overall reduction in energy use in the state. This program is part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), funded by the U.S. Department of Energy and administered by the Arkansas Energy Office, a division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission.

### Who may qualify and apply for a grant?

- Project must be located in Arkansas
- Comply with ARRA reporting, monitoring and program restrictions.

### What are the project requirements? (Note this is a brief overview, the program guide has the detailed information)

- To ensure grants are available for multiple projects, no single company may receive more than 25 percent of the GTGP grant fund. On rare occasions, this limit may be waived by the AEO.
- Project must meet pre-determined criteria. (See program guide for more detail)
  - **Technical Assistance:** Conduct energy assessments or audits; launch energy efficiency/renewable energy (EE/RE) benefit promotional and marketing activities or campaigns; participate in EE/RE measurement projects; conduct feasibility studies to facilitate access to capital and credit for EE/RE measurement projects.
  - **Facilities and Equipment Improvements:** Encourage companies to modify patterns of energy consumption to reduce peak demands for energy and improve efficiency of energy supply systems. Assist in implementation, expansion, upgrade or demonstrate EE/RE products by funding equipment retrofits and processing improvements.
  - **Renewable Energy Products:** Acquire, upgrade or demonstrate renewable energy products, equipment and materials for use in operational setting, provided that any energy generation demonstration must be small scale. "Small scale" is defined as appropriately sized solar units on existing rooftops and parking shade structures, as well as 60kW systems or smaller installed on the ground within boundaries of an existing facility.
  - **Process Improvements:** Conduct energy audits and replace energy efficient and renewable energy equipment and materials.
  - **Technology Improvements:** Support interaction with resources that can analyze existing techniques or technologies in order to speed improvements and deployment of commercially available EE/RE techniques and technologies.
  - **Workforce development:** Conduct education and training activities for employees related to the sale, installation and maintenance of green technology systems and equipment.
  - **Retrofits:** Assess the need and provide for the development of building retrofits, specifically the replacement of existing equipment with more energy efficient equipment.

### What is the grant selection process?

Arkansas GTGP funds are distributed on a competitive basis. The AEO will have a 45 day time period to receive proposals. At the end of the 45 days, an advisory group will review all proposals and make awards based on the validity of the proposal and funds available.

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