Memorandum

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REPLY TO

ATTN OF: Erica Burrin, Weatherization Assistance Program, Program Manager

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SUBJECT: Allowable Use of Training Funds for the 2022 NASCSP Annual Winter Training Conference

TO: Weatherization Assistance Program Grantees

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) strongly encourages all Grantee Managers to attend the 2022 National Association for State Community Service Programs (NASCSP) Winter Training Conference, scheduled for February 28 – March 3, 2022. This year, with respect to the health and safety of all involved, NASCSP is presenting this conference as a virtual event. Live sessions will be offered during the conference week, as well as several opportunities to network with your peers.

The WAP Track of NASCSP's Winter Training Conference will provide a wealth of information, tools, and resources to enhance and improve Grantee administration and implementation of the Program. The general session workshops will include federal partner and national partner updates, and also provide relevant training on important topics such as diversity, equity and inclusion and social justice issues.

WAP staff from DOE Headquarters in Washington, DC will be presenting a double session entitled "The DOE Federal Perspective." This session will provide updates and insights on current and upcoming WAP activities and will engage the audience in a critical dialogue about issues facing the Program at the state and local levels that should be addressed by the WAP network. Since there is no DOE-sponsored WAP conferences, the NASCSP Winter Training Conference will provide the best training and information exchange opportunity for WAP Grantee Managers this year.

Please note that costs related to attending the NASCSP Winter Training Conference are allowable as a WAP training and technical assistance expense. We hope that all WAP Grantee Managers and WAP staff will attend and participate in our national dialogue on operating a more effective WAP.

To find out more information about the conference and to register for the event, please visit the event website at https://nascsp.org/conferences/.

If you have questions regarding the information in this Memorandum, please contact your DOE Project Officer.