
FW: question about capacity--RE: DATA Act Award Description

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All,

Please forward this message to AES Directors in your region and encourage them to share this information with staff in their business offices that submit applications for capacity funding. Additional guidance regarding detailed information that must be included in applications for capacity funding is provided below. Questions may be directed to the Grants Management Specialist listed at the end of each RFA. Good luck!

Deb

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Subject: RE: question about capacity--RE: DATA Act Award Description
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Good evening Deb.

My team added these forms to the Capacity RFAs as this information has never been collected and is necessary for compliance with the Data Act. Both forms have instructions on what exactly is needed for each document within the RFA under Section B. Content and Form of Application Submission. Once the Institutions read the entire document they should find all the answers they need. I will mention as well, if they do not follow the instructions within the RFA

🙄 we will be returning them and asking they do so.

For the Project/Performance Site Location(s) Form the instructions say - **Note: The Primary Place of Performance Site Location is the principal location where the majority of work is being performed, such as a manufacturing plant where items are produced or a hospital where research is being conducted. In many instances, a project's Primary Place of Performance Site Location will not be the same as the recipient's legal business address.**

The Project Abstract Form instructions say - Information in this form is important to DATA Act requirements for reporting to the public via USA Spending. The abstract submitted should not be more than 18,000 characters (including spaces, dashes, etc.) and should be “a plain language description of the Federal award purpose; activities to be performed; deliverables and expected outcomes; intended beneficiary(ies); and subrecipient activities if known/specified at the time of award.” This information may be a copy of a section of the Institutions FY 2023 plan of work, as long as these areas are included. Remember, whatever information is provided in this abstract will be displayed to the public via the USA Spending website. Therefore, do not include any proprietary or confidential information.

To ensure NIFA is in compliance with the requirements of the data act it is very important they please follow the instructions within the RFA under this section for completion of their submittal.

If they have any questions they may reach out to their Grants Management Specialist and they'd be happy to assist.

Thank you,

Linda Cambron

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