

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
OFFICE OF SOLID WASTES

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING
SOLID-WASTE DISPOSAL PLANNING GRANTS***

I. Purpose of Planning Grants

This document sets forth the terms, conditions, and procedures governing the Solid-Waste Disposal Planning Grant Program administered by the Office of Solid Wastes, Public Health Service. The program is authorized by Section 206, Title II, Public Law 89-272, Solid-Waste Disposal Act, and the regulations pursuant thereto (42 CFR, Part 59). It provides for Federal grants to assist State and interstate agencies in making surveys of solid-waste disposal practices and problems, and in developing plans for new and improved methods of proper and economic solid-waste disposal within the jurisdictional areas of such State or interstate agencies (hereinafter referred to as "solid-waste disposal planning grants").

"Solid-waste" means garbage, refuse, and other discarded solid materials, including solid-waste material resulting from industrial, commercial, and agricultural operations, and from community activities. Excluded are solids or dissolved material in domestic sewage or other significant pollutants in water resources such as silt, dissolved or suspended solids in industrial waste water effluents, dissolved materials in irrigation return flows or other common water pollutants. "Solid-waste disposal" means the collection, storage, treatment, utilization, processing, or final disposal of solid waste.

It is not the purpose of these grants to provide financial assistance for State or interstate solid-waste disposal operations or services, other than survey and planning activities.

II. Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants are (a) State agencies designated by the Governor, or other appropriate State authority, to represent a State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa, and (b) interstate agencies designated as the sole agency responsible for solid-waste disposal planning within their jurisdictional areas.

The designated agency may be an existing agency of the State government or a new one established for the purpose of the solid-waste disposal survey and planning activity. It may be an interdepartmental agency, such as a commission, committee, or board.

A certification of the designation must be included as a part of the application for a planning grant.

III. Extent of Federal Financial Assistance

Federal funds may be granted to pay not more than 50 percent of the cost of solid-waste disposal survey and planning activities. The remainder is to be provided from non-Federal funds. Funds granted to applicants in any one State are limited to

*These terms and conditions are subject to change as deemed necessary by the Public Health Service.