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Applicants for study and investigation project grants of national value must, in addition, provide assurance satisfactory to the Surgeon General:

h. That the findings of the proposed studies and investigations would be of significant national value in solid-waste disposal practices or programs.

Applicants for study and investigation project grants on municipal and regional solid-waste disposal activities must, in addition:

i. Be, in the judgment of the Surgeon General, legally responsible or is under existing law authorized or empowered upon compliance with legal requirements to assume responsibility for the provision of solid-waste disposal services throughout the geographic area covered by the proposed project; and

j. Give assurance satisfactory to the Surgeon General that the proposed project will be coordinated with any State-wide plans and programs relating to solid-waste disposal.

VIII. Use of Funds

When approved in the application, grant funds may be used for the direct costs of carrying out the demonstration, study, or investigation project. These are:

a. Personnel - Salaries and wages, including fringe benefits, of professional, technical, clerical, and other staff, and consultants who will render direct services to the approved project. The salary levels of such personnel may be set by the grantee organization according to its own standards, provided no monetary differential is allowed for such personnel because they are to be paid from grant funds. Consultant fees must be the same as those usually paid by the applicant, but may not be paid to a staff member of the applicant organization or any person employed by the grantee or by States participating in an interstate project activity. Grant funds may not be used to pay the salary of a Federal employee.

b. Equipment - Specialized items which are needed for the project.

c. Supplies - Items which are consumable or expendable, and needed for the project.

d. Travel - Transportation, subsistence, and related costs for travel to be performed during the project period and essential to the conduct of the project.

e. Other Costs - Items not included in one of the above categories. Examples include: communication costs, contractual services, rental of space (but applicant may not charge rent for space which is State-owned or owned by the applicant) utilized by project personnel. Each item for which funds are requested must be separately identified.

f. Construction of Facilities - When necessary to a demonstration project, (See definition of "construction," Section I, Purpose of Grants, and Sections III and IV on financial participation). Estimated costs of the construction of facilities must be included in the application. The estimates must include the estimated costs of major components or items, such as: land, engineering design, equipment, machinery, labor, and building materials. Final awards will be based on the completed