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State Technology Advancement Collaborative (STAC) Announces Latest Solicitation for Cost-Shared Energy Projects

\$4.95 million Available to Move Energy Efficiency Technologies Forward

Washington, DC—The State Technologies Advancement Collaborative (STAC) issued its third and latest solicitation, *Energy Efficiency Research, Development, Demonstration, Deployment, and Rebuild America Projects* (05-STAC-01), today. The solicitation makes available a minimum of approximately \$4.95 million for cost-shared energy efficiency projects proposed by qualified State entities for multi-state projects. The solicitation's program areas of interest include: 1) Building Technologies; 2) Industrial Technologies; 3) Transportation Technologies; 4) Distributed Energy Resources; and 5) Rebuild America. For more information and to access the solicitation visit http://www.stacenergy.org.

The solicitation is similar to the first STAC "broad area" solicitation issued in 2003. One new element is the addition of the Rebuild America area of interest. The U.S. Department of Energy recently transferred management of the Rebuild America Program to STAC. The program will continue to foster energy efficiency in existing buildings within the commercial, government and multifamily housing sectors. The program will also provide technical assistance, coordination of stakeholder activities, and dissemination of results aimed at furthering the transformation of the built environment.

Robert Kripowicz, STAC Program Director, said, "This unique collaboration both focuses and leverages State, Federal, and private energy program resources, resulting in more effective use of taxpayer funds and accelerating the movement of energy efficiency technologies from research to the marketplace — thus retaining and creating jobs, reducing emissions, and improving energy security. The STAC Program has proven to be a very efficient way to provide funding to match funds provided by the States. We look forward to an even greater number of innovative, cost-shared project proposals from the States."

STAC is a unique five-year pilot project comprising the <u>U.S. Department of Energy</u>, the National Association of State Energy Officials (<u>NASEO</u>), and the Association of State Energy Research and Technology Transfer Institutions (<u>ASERTTI</u>). STAC's collaborative approach is aimed at coordinating federal-state energy research, development, demonstration, and deployment funding in high-priority program areas on a multi-State basis, as determined by the STAC Executive Committee and planning teams. These multi-state collaborative efforts have included: 1) 16 projects in 33 states in the first solicitation; and 2) 8 projects in 14 states in the second solicitation. In all, \$23,802,880 in projects have been initiated. Of that amount, \$12,060,866 in cost share funds are being provided by the States and their private-sector partners, with \$11,742,014 provided by STAC. For more information about STAC and the solicitation, please visit http://www.stacenergy.org.