Release date and access to Application
Thursday, January 15, 2015. The Application may be found at: PCAAP Application

General
Administration of the 2015 Performance Contract Audit Assistance Program (PCAAP) primarily involves the following Nevada Governor's Office of Energy staff: Director, Grants & Projects Analyst, and Energy Program Managers.

Funding Source
Pursuant to NRS 701A.450, money to fund the PCAAP is held in the Nevada Renewable Energy Account. The PCAAP will be based on available funds, and administered by and funded at the discretion of the Director of the Governor's Office of Energy.

Policy Statement
Pursuant to NRS 332, Nevada Government Entities that choose to enter into a Performance Contract for Operating Cost Savings Measures are required to pay for a Financial-Grade Operational Audit to identify energy efficiency measures prior to executing a Performance Contract. Eligible Nevada Government Entities may request financial assistance from the Governor's Office of Energy for a Financial-Grade Operational Audit. The proposed project must include measures to reduce electricity consumption or cost. For purposes of the PCAAP, eligible Nevada Government Entities are defined as Counties, Cities, School Districts, State Colleges, State Universities, and State of Nevada agencies that, pursuant to NRS 701A.450, are "... retail customers of a public utility that is subject to the portfolio standard established by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada.”

Application Process
The application process involves two (2) steps with specific submission deadlines. To be considered for funding, Eligible Nevada Government Entities must complete STEP 1. After the Governor's Office of Energy preliminary approval, applicants must complete STEP 2.

STEP 1. Preliminary Approval: To be eligible for full or partial funding, applicants must first submit two (2) documents:
1. Signed PCAAP Application and
2. Copy of a Financial-Grade Operational Audit.

Thursday, December 31, 2015, no later than 4:00pm PST is the deadline for submission of the two (2) documents. Documents received after December 31, 2015, 4:00pm PST will not be considered for funding. Qualified applicants will receive a letter of preliminary approval.

STEP 2. Final Approval: On or before Friday, May 27, 2016, no later than 4:00pm PDT, the applicant must submit three (3) documents to be considered for final approval for full or partial funding:
1. Payment request for approved amount on Applicant's official letterhead and
2. Official invoice for Governor's Office of Energy approved amount and

REMINDER: The deadline for submission of STEP 1 applications is Thursday, December 31, 2015, no later than 4:00pm PST. Applications received after 4:00pm PST will be disqualified. Applications may be submitted by e-mail, or hard copy ground mail or in person, to:

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Resources
Performance contracting offers a tremendous opportunity to not only manage energy budgets but to upgrade and modernize facilities, reduce the taxpayer burden of growing government energy budgets, incorporate the use of renewable energy, and create jobs right here in Nevada.

The Governor's Office of Energy provides information and technical assistance to help applicants decide if performance contracting is the right choice and to guide applicants through the process to achieve success. To learn more, visit the following websites:

www.energy.nv.gov/Programs/Public_Facilities_Retrofit_Grant

www.naesco.org/member-projects

www.energyservicescoalition.org

www.energy.gov/eere/femp/articles/energy-savings-performance-contracts