PY2020 Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program Planning Period and State Plan Submission

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 18, 2019

Intended Audience: All Oklahoma Department of Commerce Weatherization Program Service Providers - Executive Directors and Weatherization Program Managers; the Oklahoma Association of Community Action Agencies Weatherization Training Center; Oklahoma Department of Commerce Contracted State Quality Control Inspectors

Purpose: To inform the Oklahoma weatherization network of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce’s Program Year 2020 planning requirements and important dates. To ask the Oklahoma weatherization network to participate in the state planning process.

Anually, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) requires that the Oklahoma Department of Commerce (ODOC) submit a State Plan that outlines the implementation of the Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) in Oklahoma, following DOE requirements. The State Plan is a yearlong process of ongoing program evaluation and policy development. ODOC encourages the Oklahoma weatherization network at all levels to participate in the State Plan development process through the following activities:

1) Submitting concerns, suggestions for improvement, or other feedback to the Senior Energy Programs Manager or any ODOC staff regarding current policies and procedures
2) Attending the WAP public hearing, asking questions and providing comments
3) Reading the drafted State Plan when available and providing input during the public comment period
4) Attending network meetings and all required trainings to stay informed of DOE requirements and regulations

Here are some important scheduled dates to be aware of:

January 10, 2020 Drafted State Plan scheduled to be sent to Community Action Agency Executive Directors and Weatherization Program Managers
January 13, 2020  Drafted State Plan scheduled to be released to general public along with a formal notice of a 14 day public comment period

January 13, 2020 – January 27, 2020  Public Comment Period

January 23, 2020  10:00 AM  Public Hearing to be held at the Oklahoma Association of Community Action Agencies

January 23, 2020  1:30 – 3:00 PM  Network State Plan Webinar

January 27, 2020  5:00 PM  Last day to receive any public comments on the State Plan

February 7, 2020  State Plan to DOE

Please note that should unforeseen circumstances result in a modification to any of these scheduled dates, a revised schedule will be sent. ODOC looks forward to the network’s comments and feedback during the PY2020 State planning process.

If you have any questions about this Memo, please contact the Senior Energy Programs Manager – Amanda Marcott-Thottunkal, amanda.marcott-thottunkal@okcommerce.gov.