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USDA RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM (REAP) OPEN TODAY – DEADLINE JUNE 15, 2011

MONROVIA, Ind. – April 14, 2011 – The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) announce today the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) is open and a deadline has been set for June 15, 2011. Applications are due to an appropriate USDA Rural Development State Office no later than 4:30 P.M. on the due date. REAP applications are accepted year round, but are now open to compete for fiscal year (FY) 2011 funding.

USDA accepts applications for renewable energy and energy efficiency improvement projects from agriculture producers and rural small businesses in eligible rural areas. Grants up to \$500,000 are available to qualified applicants. Prosperity Ag and Energy Resource, a full-service, funding opportunities development firm is now accepting and encouraging new applicants for the REAP program. Call Sarah Aubrey, Principal, or Erin Smith, Marketing and Communications Manager, to discuss your project and learn how to apply. You may also visit <http://federalregister.gov/a/2011-8456> for more details on this notice of funds.

REAP grant funding is authorized through the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Farm Bill). REAP funding can be used for renewable energy projects, energy efficient improvements, energy audits, feasibility studies and renewable energy development assistance. Information on the program can be found at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/farbill/index.html> or by visiting.

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