

*(Mr. / Ms.) *(Name), (Title) City of *(Name of City) *(Address) (Street) *(Name of City), (State) (zip)

July 23, 2007

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

PROJECT PROPOSALS

Mr. /Ms.

Riverside County is in the process of updating its Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) that summarizes economic conditions in the County and identifies projects that will produce jobs and investment. These projects may qualify for matching funds through the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (USEDA). USEDA requires that a new CEDS be submitted at least every five (5) years, unless USEDA or the planning organization determines that a new CEDS is required earlier due to changed circumstances. The CEDS document will be produced by county staff with approval from the Executive Committee of the county's Workforce Development Board, which is made up of representatives appointed by the Board of Supervisor's from various sectors of the local economy and the county's general population. Please refer to the enclosed official announcement describing the USEDA'S public works and economic development facilities programs.

It is the County's intent to submit the CEDS report to USEDA no later than November 1, 2007. With this time line in mind, the county requests that you provide the following information no later than August 23, 2007:

- 1. Please provide an executive summary of no more than two (2) top priority projects, programs, or activities that meets the goals and objectives of the CEDS that your city is planning within the next two years where EDA's assistance may be requested. List the lead organizations responsible for execution of the projects.
- 2. Describe the projected job creation and investment the project would have in your area.

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- 3. Provide a description of your city's economy and how the proposed projects will address the regions greatest needs or will best enhance the region's competitiveness, including sources of funding for the project and potential future investments. Funding sources cannot be limited to EDA programs.
- 4. Please limit your response to no more than three pages.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If I can be of any assistance please feel free to contact me at (951) 955-3168 or you may e-mail me at relucas@rivcoeda.org.

Sincerely,

Robert Lucas Economic Development Specialist

RL Enclosures