

internationally recognized scientific experts to serve as external peer reviewers for the draft report regarding approaches to modeling children's BLL associated with lead in drinking water. The review is not intended to provide EPA with advice on the public health implications of alternative BLLs. As such, EPA is seeking nominees who possess a strong background and demonstrated expertise in one or more of the following areas: (1) Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic modeling, particularly with regard to lead; (2) environmental lead exposure analyses, particularly with regard probabilistic modeling.

**Selection criteria:** Selection criteria for individuals nominated to serve as external peer reviewers of the draft report include the following: (1) Demonstrated expertise through relevant peer reviewed publications; (2) professional accomplishments and recognition by professional societies; (3) demonstrated ability to work constructively and effectively in a committee setting; (4) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (5) no actual conflicts of interest or appearance of lack of impartiality; (6) willingness to commit adequate time for the thorough review of the draft report; and (7) availability to participate in-person in a one-day or two-day peer review meeting in the Washington, DC metro area, projected to occur in June 2017 (exact date will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 30 days prior to the external peer review meeting). Further logistical information regarding the external peer review meeting will be announced at a later date in the **Federal Register**.

**Required nominee information:** To receive full consideration, the following information should be submitted to ERG at [peerreview@erg.com](mailto:peerreview@erg.com) (the subject line should read: Lead in Drinking Water Peer Review): (1) Contact information for the person making the nomination; (2) contact information for the nominee; (3) the disciplinary and specific areas of expertise of the nominee; (4) the nominee's curriculum vitae; and (5) a biographical sketch of the nominee indicating current position, educational background, past and current research activities, recent service on other advisory committees, peer review panels, editorial boards or professional organizations, sources of recent grant and/or contract support and other comments on the relevance of the nominee's expertise to this peer review topic. Compensation for non-federal peer reviewers will be provided by ERG.

**Selection process:** EPA's contractor, ERG, will notify nominees of selection

or non-selection. ERG may also conduct an independent search for candidates to assemble a balanced group representing the expertise needed to fully evaluate EPA's draft report, entitled "Proposed Modeling Approaches for a Health Based Benchmark for Lead in Drinking Water." ERG will consider and screen all nominees against the criteria previously listed. Following the screening process, ERG will narrow the list of potential reviewers to approximately 10–16 candidates. Prior to selecting the final peer reviewers, a **Federal Register** document will be published (exact date to be determined) to solicit comments on the interim list of candidates. In that document, the public will be requested to provide relevant information or documentation on the nominees within 30 days of the announcement of the interim list of candidates. Once ERG has considered the public comments on the interim list of candidates, ERG will select the final list of peer reviewers, based on who, collectively, will best provide expertise spanning the disciplines previously listed and (to the extent feasible) best provide a balance of perspectives.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### FY2017 Supplemental Funding for Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grantees

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of the availability of funds.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) plans to make available approximately \$13 million to provide supplemental funds to Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) capitalization grants previously awarded competitively under section 104(k)(3) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund pilots awarded under section 104(d)(1) of CERCLA that have not transitioned to section 104(k)(3) grants are not eligible to apply for these funds. EPA will consider awarding supplemental funding only to RLF grantees who have demonstrated an

ability to deliver programmatic results by making at least one loan or subgrant. The award of these funds is based on the criteria described at CERCLA 104(k)(4)(A)(ii).

The Agency is now accepting requests for supplemental funding from RLF grantees. Requests for funding must be submitted to the appropriate EPA Regional Brownfields Coordinator (listed below) by March 1, 2017. Funding requests for hazardous substances and/or petroleum funding will be accepted. Specific information on submitting a request for RLF supplemental funding is described below and additional information may be obtained by contacting the EPA Regional Brownfields Coordinator.

**DATES:** This action is effective January 19, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** A request for supplemental funding must be in the form of a letter addressed to the appropriate Regional Brownfields Coordinator (see listing below) with a copy to Pankaj Arora, [arora.pankaj@epa.gov](mailto:arora.pankaj@epa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pankaj Arora, U.S. EPA, (202) 566–1388 or the appropriate Brownfields Regional Coordinator.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Background

The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act added section 104(k) to CERCLA to authorize federal financial assistance for brownfields revitalization, including grants for assessment, cleanup and job training. Section 104(k) includes a provision for EPA to, among other things, award grants to eligible entities to capitalize Revolving Loan Funds and to provide loans and subgrants for brownfields cleanup. Section 104(k)(4)(A)(ii) authorizes EPA to make additional grant funds available to RLF grantees for any year after the year for which the initial grant is made (noncompetitive RLF supplemental funding) taking into consideration:

(I) The number of sites and number of communities that are addressed by the revolving loan fund;

(II) the demand for funding by eligible entities that have not previously received a grant under this subsection;

(III) the demonstrated ability of the eligible entity to use the revolving loan fund to enhance remediation and provide funds on a continuing basis; and

(IV) such other similar factors as the [Agency] considers appropriate to carry out this subsection.

**Eligibility**

In order to be considered for supplemental funding, grantees must demonstrate that they have significantly depleted funds (both EPA grant funding and any available pre- or post-closeout program income) and that they have a clear plan for quickly utilizing requested additional funds. Grantees must demonstrate that they have made at least one loan or subgrant prior to applying for this supplemental funding and have significantly depleted existing available funds. For FY2017, EPA defines "significantly depleted funds" as \$400,000 or less remaining unliquidated obligations from all of the EPA RLF grant funding and available pre- or post-closeout program income from all the open or closed EPA RLF grants. Additionally, the RLF recipient must have demonstrated a need for supplemental funding based on, among other factors, the number of sites that will be addressed; demonstrated the

ability to make loans and subgrants for cleanups that can be started and completed expeditiously (*i.e.*, "shovel-ready" projects) and will lead to redevelopment; demonstrated the existence of additional leveraged funds to complete the project in a timely manner and move quickly from cleanup to redevelopment, including the use of tax incentives such as new market tax credits, direct funding or other resources to advance the project to completion; demonstrated the ability to administer and revolve the capitalization funding in the RLF grant; demonstrated an ability to use the RLF grant to address funding gaps for cleanup; and demonstrated that they have provided a community benefit from past and potential loan(s) and/or subgrant(s). Special consideration may be given to those communities affected by plant closures or other economic disruptions; can demonstrate projects that have a clear prospect of aiding the

in-sourcing of manufacturing capacity and keeping and/or adding jobs, or otherwise creating jobs, in the affected area; or will benefit a community that has been identified as part of EPA's Cross Agency Strategy on Working to Make a Visible Difference in Communities. EPA encourages innovative approaches to maximizing revolving and leveraging with other funds, including use of grants funds as a loan loss guarantee, combining with other government or private sector lending resources. Applicants for supplemental funding must contact the appropriate Regional Brownfields Coordinator below to obtain information on the format for supplemental funding applications for their region. When requesting supplemental funding, applicants must specify whether they are seeking funding for sites contaminated by hazardous substances or petroleum. Applicants may request both types of funding.

**REGIONAL CONTACTS**

Region	States	Address/phone number/email
EPA Region 1, Frank Gardner, <a href="mailto:Gardner.Frank@epa.gov">Gardner.Frank@epa.gov</a> ...	CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT .....	5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109-3912, Phone (617) 918-1278, Fax (617) 918-0278.
EPA Region 2, Benny Hom, <a href="mailto:Hom.Benny@epa.gov">Hom.Benny@epa.gov</a> .....	NJ, NY, PR, VI .....	290 Broadway, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10007, Phone (212) 637-3964, Fax (212) 637-3083.
EPA Region 3, Tom Stolle, <a href="mailto:Stolle.Tom@epa.gov">Stolle.Tom@epa.gov</a> .....	DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV ...	1650 Arch Street, Mail Code 3HS51, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029, Phone (215) 814-3129, Fax (215) 814-3015.
EPA Region 4, Wanda Jennings, <a href="mailto:Jennings.Wanda@epa.gov">Jennings.Wanda@epa.gov</a> .	AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN.	Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street SW., 10th Fl., Atlanta, GA 30303-8960, Phone (404) 562-8682, Fax (404) 562-8761.
EPA Region 5, Keary Cragan, <a href="mailto:Cragan.Keary@epa.gov">Cragan.Keary@epa.gov</a> .....	IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI .....	77 West Jackson Boulevard, Mail Code SB-5J, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507, Phone (312) 353-5669, Fax (312) 886-7190.
EPA Region 6, Mary Kemp, <a href="mailto:Kemp.Mary@epa.gov">Kemp.Mary@epa.gov</a> .....	AR, LA, NM, OK, TX .....	1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 (6SF-PB), Dallas, Texas 75202-2733, Phone (214) 665-8358, Fax (214) 665-6660.
EPA Region 7, Susan Klein, <a href="mailto:R7_Brownfields@epa.gov">R7_Brownfields@epa.gov</a> .....	IA, KS, MO, NE .....	11201 Renner Blvd., Lenexa, Kansas 66219, Phone (913) 551-7786, Fax (913) 551-8688.
EPA Region 8, Ted Lanzano, <a href="mailto:Lanzano.Ted@epa.gov">Lanzano.Ted@epa.gov</a> .....	CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, WY ...	1595 Wynkoop Street (EPR-B), Denver, CO 80202-1129, Phone (303) 312-6596, Fax (303) 312-6065.
EPA Region 9, Noemi Emeric-Ford, <a href="mailto:Emeric-Ford.Noemi@epa.gov">Emeric-Ford.Noemi@epa.gov</a> .	AZ, CA, HI, NV, AS, GU .....	75 Hawthorne Street, WST-8, San Francisco, CA 94105, Phone (213) 244-1821, Fax (415) 972-3364.
EPA Region 10, Susan Morales, <a href="mailto:Morales.Susan@epa.gov">Morales.Susan@epa.gov</a>	AK, ID, OR, WA .....	1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, Mailstop: ECL-112 Seattle, WA 98101, Phone (206) 553-7299, Fax (206) 553-0124.

Dated: January 3, 2017.

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[WT Docket No. 17-17; DA 17-33]

**Acumen Communications**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document commences a hearing to determine whether Acumen

Communications (Acumen) is qualified to be and to remain a Federal Communications Commission (Commission) licensee, and as a consequence thereof, whether any or all of its licenses should be revoked, and whether any or all of the applications to which Acumen is a party should be denied. As discussed more fully below, based on the totality of the evidence, there are substantial and material questions of fact as to whether Acumen