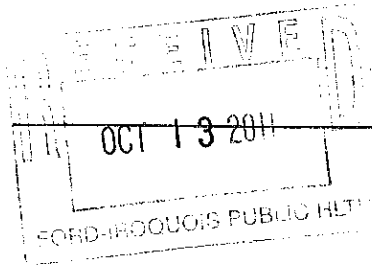


Ford-Iroquois Public Health Department

Douglas Corbett
Public Health Administrator



Dear Board of Health members;

October 7, 2011

The Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has approved both of our grant projects for the solar panels. The combined grant was \$60,000 that is to be reimbursed to the health department 60 days after the installation has been completed. With this encouraging news comes the reality of finalizing the project in 120 days or risk losing our grant.

As you have given me authorization at the past July 18, 2011 Board of Health meeting to proceed as scheduled, I now need permission to carry out the contract with Day & Night Solar and to proceed with a loan. I have already had to submit 25% down payment to order materials. Another 50% will be due in a couple weeks, and the final 25% payment will be due upon completion. Time is moving fast due to the 120-day time-line imposed thru the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity and therefore the following must be resolved without delay.

Past Actions:

Notice for solicitation of bids for our solar panel project was printed Wednesday July 27, 2011 in the Times-Republic and the Spirit that circulate in both counties.

Schuldt Insurance sent notice via e-mail on Thursday July 28, 2011 that our premium would increase \$162 per year to insure the solar panels.

Day & Night Solar submit their bid on-line that net costs \$87,423.26 (after \$87,458.25 anticipated rebate) on July 29, 2011. The 15.5 kW system was quoted for both offices.

Angel Wind Energy submits their bid on-line that net costs \$71,554 (after \$30,666.00 anticipated rebate) on July 28, 2011. The Paxton quote was for a 2.94 kW system and the Watseka quote was for a 11.2 kW system. The payback and DCEO grant incentives are not as financially sound as the Day & Night Solar bid. The Angel Wind Energy failed to follow the bid specifications of utilizing American made solar panels and that the panels are monocrystalline photovoltaic modules.

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