### Exhibit 4

# Community Action Kentucky Home Energy Assistance (HEA) Program Subcontracts

## Kentucky Utilities Company As of September 29, 2020

### Exhibit Agency Subcontractor

Α	Audubon Area Community Services
В	Bell-Whitley Community Action Agency
С	Bluegrass Community Action Partnership
D	Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon,
	Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc.
Е	Central Kentucky Community Action Council
F	Daniel Boone Community Action Agency
G	Kentucky River Foothills Development Council
Н	Gateway Community Action Agency
I	Harlan County Community Action Agency
J	KCEOC Community Action Partnership
K	Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency
L	Licking Valley Community Action Program
М	Middle Kentucky Community Action Partnership
N	Multi-Purpose Community Action Agency
0	Northern Kentucky Community Action Commission
Р	Pennyrile Allied Community Services
Q	Community Action of Southern Kentucky
R	Tri-County Community Action Agency
S	West Kentucky Allied Services

# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT A

### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUB	CONTRACT ("Agreement")	is made and enter	red into as of	the 24th	day of
September , 202	0, by and between Commun	nity Action Kent	ucky, Inc. ("C	CAK"), a no	onprofit
corporation organi Audubon Area Community	zed and existing under the y Services Inc.	laws of the C	ommonwealth	of Kentuck	xy, and , a
Non-Profit Corporation		organized unde	er the laws of the	e Commonw	ealth of
Kentucky ("Subcon	tractor" or "Operating Organiza	ation"), (each a "Pa	arty" and collect	ively "Parti	es").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

### III. SCOPE OF WORK

### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTiNET in compliance with the CASTiNET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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Utility:	Program	Year:
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Please complete a copy of this form	for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Ut	tility will offer during the Program Year.
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Program Type:	<i>C</i>	Options: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
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Reports should be submitte	<b>d to</b> the following email(s)	
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Maximum allowable Income	e (Percentage of Poverty):	
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Last Day to enroll client to receive t	he first month's benefit	
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Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
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### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - 1. Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program
    participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application
    of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the
  participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following
  the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the
  Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

**b.** Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** — an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

**Individual**- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn**- A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application**- The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

Exhibit C - Waiver/Release

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	gning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Audubon Area Community Services Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

### **Kentucky Utilities**

### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance\$25\$74,300.00Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)\$68,120.10Max Total Administration\$142,420.10

### **Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin**

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<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	. 20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	*
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

	Washington	11	\$275		
	Daniel Boone	87	\$2,175	\$	1,994.09
	Clay	10	\$250	·	,
	Laurel	61	\$1,525		
	Rockcastle	16	\$400		
	Foothills	241	\$6,025	\$	5,523.87
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	Estill	16	\$400		
	Madison	143	\$3,575		
	Gateway	92	\$2,300	\$	2,108.70
	Bath	13	\$325		
	Montgomery	50	\$1,250		
	Rowan	29	\$725		
	Harlan	71	\$1,775	\$	1,627.36
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	KCEOC	18	\$450	\$	412.57
*******	Knox	18	\$450		
	Lake Cumberland	134	\$3,350	\$	3,071.36
	Adair	14	\$350		
	Casey	9	\$225		
	Green	7	\$175		
	McCreary	9	\$225		
	Pulaski	56	\$1,400		
	Russell	15	\$375		
	Taylor	24	\$600		
50.00	Licking Valley	64	\$1,600	\$	1,466.92
	Bracken	14	\$350		
	Fleming	11	\$275		
	Mason	37	\$925		
	Robertson	2	\$50		
youth	Middle KY	4	\$100	\$	91.68
	Lee	4	\$100		
10017	Mutli-Purpose	97	\$2,425	\$	2,223.30
	Bullitt	4	\$100		
	Shelby	81	\$2,025		
	Spencer	12	\$300		
*10000	Northern KY	48	\$1,200	\$	1,100.19
	Campbell	3	\$75		
	Carroll	20	\$500		
	Gallatin	8	\$200		
	Grant	1	\$25		
	Owen	11	\$275		
	Pendleton	5	\$125		
	PACS	184	\$4,600	\$	4,217.39
	Caldwell	7	\$175		
	Christian	5	\$125		
	Crittenden	14	\$350		

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT B

### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTR	ACT ("Agreement") is	made and entere	ed into as of the	<sup>24th</sup> day	of	
September 25 , 2020, by a	nd between Commun	ity Action Kentu	cky, Inc. ("CAK	."), a nonpr	ofit	
corporation organized and Bell-Whitley Community Action Agend	<u> </u>	laws of the Co	mmonwealth of	• ,	and , a	
Non-Profit Corporation		organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of				
Kentucky ("Subcontractor"	or "Operating Organizat	tion"), (each a "Par	ty" and collectivel	y "Parties").	•	

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

### III. SCOPE OF WORK

### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTiNET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Agreed to and Signed B	<i>,</i> .	
BY: Roger McCann (Sep 24, 20	)20 17:25 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
Roger McCann, Community Acti	Executive Director on Kentucky	Date
	· () EAT\	Sep 25, 2020

Utility:	Program Year:
Exhibit A – Program Funding and Des	signation of Program(s) Utility will Offer
Utility Program Funding	
Customer Charge on Residential Bills:	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
•	nolder funding levels & other non-residential

Utility:	Program Yea	ar:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this for	m for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utility	y will offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		
Program Type:	Opti	ions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
<b>Contact Information</b>		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submi	tted to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be submit	tted to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Inco	me (Percentage of Poverty):	
Crisis Situation (for Crisis	Style):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive	e the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
component, the Benefit Amount th	electric, natural gas, electric (non-he he client can receive (e.g., \$x / mon efit is available (e.g., 7 months – Jai to End Date).	th; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
Subsidy/slot style program	ectric benefits up to \$100 from Jan n for Electric and Natural Gas benef Iar, April, July, Aug and Sept	•
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)
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Utility:	Pro	ogram Year:	
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		(Available funding fo	r this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary end	ergy cost assistance fund"	as defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
	449.99		
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#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn**- A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

Exhibit C - Waiver/Release

## <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

## Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Bell-Whitley Community Action Agency, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$
Max Total Administration \$

142,420.10

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin **Estimated Slot Breakout Electric Only Maintenance by County (reimbursement) Audubon** 99 **\$2.475** \$ 2,269.14 Daviess 1 \$25 16 \$400 Henderson McLean 13 \$325 Ohio 26 \$650 Union 29 \$725 \$350 Webster 14 **\$2,300** \$ **Bell-Whitley** 92 2,108.70 72 \$1,800 Bell 20 \$500 Whitley 444 **\$11,100** \$ 10,176.76 **Bluegrass** 40 \$1,000 Anderson 64 \$1,600 Boyle Franklin 18 \$450 Garrard 23 \$575 29 \$725 Jessamine Lincoln 22 \$550 45 \$1,125 Mercer Scott 131 \$3,275 Woodford 72 \$1,800 CAC 964 **\$24,100** \$ 22,095.48 Bourbon 31 \$775 Fayette 901 \$22,525 Harrison 22 \$550 \$250 **Nicholas** 10 Central 210 **\$5,250** \$ 4,813.33 18 \$450 Grayson Hardin 121 \$3,025 Larue 18 \$450 23 \$575 Marion Nelson 19 \$475

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	<b>5</b>	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1 <i>,</i> 875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## KUHEASubcontract - Bell- Whiley

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT C

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCON	TRACT ("Agreement") i	s made and en	tered into as	of the 24th	day of
September , 2020, by	and between Commun	ity Action Ke	ntucky, Inc. (	"CAK"), a r	onprofit
corporation organized	and existing under the	laws of the	Commonwealtl	h of Kentuc	ky, and
Blue Grass Community Action Par	tnership, Inc.				, a
Non-Profit Corporation		organized un	der the laws of	the Commony	wealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontracto	or" or "Operating Organiza	tion"), (each a "	Party" and coll	ectively "Part	ies").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation:

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

<b>7:</b> Roger McCann (Sep 24	, 2020 17:27 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
•	n, Executive Director ction Kentucky	Date
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Utility:	Program Year:					
Exhibit A – Program Funding and Designation of Program(s) Utility will Offer						
Utility Program Funding						
<b>Customer Charge on Residential Bill</b>	s:					
Customer Charge per meter:	\$ 0.30					
Estimated Funding:	\$					
•	shareholder funding levels & other non-residential gram(s):					

Utility:	Program Year:					
Programs Utility Will Offer						
Please complete a copy of this fo	orm for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utili	ity will offer during the Program Year.				
Program Name:						
Program Type:	Op	tions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis				
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>						
Contact Information						
Primary Name:						
Email:	Phone:					
Invoices should be subr	mitted to Name:					
Email:	Email: Phone:					
Reports should be subn	nitted to the following email(s)					
Eligibility:						
Maximum allowable In	come (Percentage of Poverty):					
Crisis Situation (for Cris	is Style):					
Last Day to enroll client to rece	ive the first month's benefit					
Benefit Types & Dates:						
component, the Benefit Amount	enefit is available (e.g., 7 months – Jo	nth; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)				
For example:						
<ul> <li>Subsidy/slot style progre</li> </ul>	Electric benefits up to \$100 from Jar am for Electric and Natural Gas bene Mar, April, July, Aug and Sept	•				
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)				

Utility:	Program Year:		
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		_ (Available funding for t	his component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	ınder the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund" as	defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
	444,000		
		- Annual	

#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

**b.** Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation:

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

**Client**- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

**Customer**- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application-** an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist**- A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected**- An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

Definition of Information: For purposes of this Authorization, the term "Information" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Blue Grass Community Action Partnership, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance\$25\$74,300.00Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)\$68,120.10Max Total Administration\$142,420.10

## Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	<b>Electric Only</b>	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.8
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.7
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	<b>71</b>	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.3
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	<b>18</b>	. <b>\$450</b> \$	412.5
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.3
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.9
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4 Pro Minamo Salastinia (1904) a spira de será de 1904 de	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.6
Lee	4	\$100	2 222 2
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.3
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	1 100 1
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.1
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll Gallatin	20	\$500	
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	1	\$25	
Grant		ረ ጋ 7 F	
Grant Owen	11	\$275 \$125	
Grant Owen Pendleton	11 5	\$125	4 247 2
Grant Owen Pendleton PACS	11 5 184	\$125 <b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.3
Grant Owen Pendleton	11 5	\$125	4,217.3

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	•
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

# **KUHEASubcontract - Bluegrass**

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT D

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement	nt") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September , 2020, by and between Cor	nmunity Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation organized and existing under	the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, H	arrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc. , a
a non-profit corporation	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organisms	ganization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

greed to and Signed By:	
Roger McCann (Sep 24, 2020 17:30 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
Roger McCann, Executive Director	Date
Community Action Kentucky	
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Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc.

Utility:	Program Year:
Exhibit A – Program Funding and Desig	nation of Program(s) Utility will Offer
Utility Program Funding	
<b>Customer Charge on Residential Bills:</b>	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
A description of current and future sharehold donations allocated to the HEA Program(s):	der funding levels & other non-residential
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Utility:	Program Ye	ar:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this form	for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utilit	y will offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		
Program Type:	Opt	ions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submitt	ted to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be submitt	ed to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Incon	ne (Percentage of Poverty):	
Crisis Situation (for Crisis S	tyle):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive	the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
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Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)

Utility:	Pre	ogram Year:	
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		(Available funding fo	r this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund"	as defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
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## Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- 1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs) Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - 1. Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the
  participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following
  the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the
  Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

**Customer**- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

**Individual**- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application**- The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

Exhibit C – Waiver/Release

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	/Date
Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	signing above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

## **Kentucky Utilities**

## Program Year 20/21

**Max Total Administration** 

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

\$25 \$ 74,300.00 Max Per Slot Maintenance Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) 68,120.10 \$ 142,420.10

## Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

		Estimated Max 9 101 310t	max Additional Admin
stimated Slot Breakout	<b>Electric Only</b>	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	•
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	,
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	_,
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	·
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
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KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	2 222 22
Mutli-Purpose	<b>97</b> 	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer Northern KY	12 <b>48</b>	\$300 <b>\$1,200</b> \$	1 100 10
Campbell	3	\$ <b>1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell	20	\$73 \$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	**************************************	\$175	.,22,.33
Christian	5	\$175 \$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	
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Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

# **KUHEASubcontract**

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT E

### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agre	ement") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September , 2020, by and between	Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation organized and existing u	under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
Central Kentucky Community Action Council	, a
Non-Profit Corporation	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating	g Organization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

### III. SCOPE OF WORK

### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTiNET in compliance with the CASTiNET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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)20 17:32 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
	Date
D8:15 EDT)	Sep 25, 2020
, Executive Director	Date
	Executive Director ion Kentucky

y Program Funding	
Customer Charge on Residential Bills:	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
A description of current and future sharehold donations allocated to the HEA Program(s): _	_

Utility:	Program Yes	ar:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this fo	orm for <u>e<mark>ach</mark> HEA Program that Utilit</u>	y will offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		
Program Type:	Opti	ions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be subn	nitted to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be subm	nitted to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Inc	come (Percentage of Poverty):	
Crisis Situation (for Crisi	s Style):	
Last Day to enroll client to recei	ve the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
component, the Benefit Amount	electric, natural gas, electric (non-he the client can receive (e.g., \$x / mon nefit is available (e.g., 7 months – Ja t to End Date).	th; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
Subsidy/slot style progra	Electric benefits up to \$100 from Jan am for Electric and Natural Gas benej Mar, April, July, Aug and Sept	
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)
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Utility:		Program Year:		
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers			
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)			
Total Funding:		_ (Available funding fo	r this component)	
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund"	as defined by KRS	
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$		
		-		

### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		

- All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the
  participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following
  the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the
  Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

**Client**- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application-** an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn**- A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

Exhibit C - Waiver/Release

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible	for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"	) and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Pa	rties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We	refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release	of Information may take place on paper or electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your periods	mission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise no	ot to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand th	at giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enro	llment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

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Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
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Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Central Kentucky Community Action Council ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

### **HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)**

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

### **Kentucky Utilities**

Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

Max Total Administration

\$ 68,120.10 \$ 142,420.10

### **Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin**

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	<b>Electric Only</b>	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

 $<sup>^{*}</sup>$  Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	\$2,175	\$ 1,994.0
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	\$6,025	\$ 5,523.8
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.7
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.3
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	\$450	\$ 412.5
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	\$3,350	\$ 3,071.3
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	\$1,600	\$ 1,466.9
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	\$100	\$ 91.6
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	\$2,425	\$ 2,223.3
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	\$1,200	\$ 1,100.1
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	\$4,600	\$ 4,217.3
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Hopkins	66	\$1,650	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Barren	Tana describementale flore emerciament per seperal consistent management per per per equi may sepera mana 7	\$175	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Hart	19	\$475	
Tri-County	71	<b>\$1,775</b>	\$ 1,627.36
Henry	23	\$575	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Trimble	8	\$200	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
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Carlisle	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Graves	1	\$25	
Hickman	5	\$125	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	

## KUHEASubcontract - Central

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT F

### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement")	) is made and entered into as of the 25th day of
September , 2020, by and between Comm	unity Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
	he laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc.	, a
Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc.	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organ	ization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

### III. SCOPE OF WORK

### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTiNET in compliance with the CASTiNET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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<b>Customer Charge on Residential Bills:</b>	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
	eholder funding levels & other non-residential n(s):

Utility:	Program Year:	
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this fo	rm for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utility wi	ll offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		
Program Type:	Options.	: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be subm	nitted to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be subm	itted to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Inc	ome (Percentage of Poverty):	486.49
Crisis Situation (for Crisi	s Style):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive	ve the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
component, the Benefit Amount	electric, natural gas, electric (non-heatir the client can receive (e.g., \$x / month; t nefit is available (e.g., 7 months – Jan Fe t to End Date).	up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
<ul> <li>Subsidy/slot style progra</li> </ul>	Electric benefits up to \$100 from Jan 1 to Im for Electric and Natural Gas benefits ( Mar, April, July, Aug and Sept	
Benefit Type		Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)

Utility:		ogram Year:		
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers			
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)			
Total Funding:		(Available funding for this compo		
Will funding for the Program fall under the "Voluntary energy cost assistance fund" as defined by KR 278.287? YES / NO				
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$		
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#### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- 1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs) Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist**- A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

Exhibit C - Waiver/Release

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),	
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency	
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certai	in Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging	g, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or	electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information	on about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arisin	ig from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your	r Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.	

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
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Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

## **Kentucky Utilities**

Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

Max Total Administration \$ 142,420.10

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

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Estimated Slot Breakout	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	54
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
<b>Daniel Boone</b>	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	<b>18</b>	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	\$3,350 \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	1 166 00
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	04.60
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	2 222 22
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025 \$300	
Spencer Northern KY	12	·	1 100 10
	<b>48</b> 3	<b>\$1,200</b> \$ \$75	1,100.19
Campbell Carroll	20	\$75 \$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200 \$200	
	1	\$200 \$25	
Grant Owen	11	\$25 \$275	
Pendleton	5	\$275 \$125	
PACS	1 <b>84</b>	\$125 <b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$4,600 \$	4,217.39
Christian	5	\$175 \$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	
Chitenaen	14	\$33 <del>0</del>	

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## KUHEASubcontract - Daniel Boone

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT G

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreemen	at") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September , 2020, by and between Com	munity Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
	the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc.	, a
Non-Profit Corporation	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Org	anization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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#### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

**Client**- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

## <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

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Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA – Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities** Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

\$25 \$ 74,300.00 Max Per Slot Maintenance

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

68,120.10 **Max Total Administration** \$ 142,420.10

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	<b>Electric Only</b>	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964		· ·
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210		
Grayson	18	•	
Hardin	121	. ,	
Larue	18	•	
Marion	23	•	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	

Hopkins	66	\$1,650	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Barren	7	\$175	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Hart	19	\$475	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Henry	23	\$575	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Trimble	8	\$200	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Ballard	12	\$300	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Graves	1	\$25	
Hickman	5	\$125	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	

### KUHEASubcontract - Foothills

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT H

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS	S SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement"	) is made and	entered in	nto as of the	_24th da	ay of
September	_, 2020, by and between Comm	unity Action	Kentucky,	Inc. ("CAK	."), a non	profit
corporation	organized and existing under t	he laws of th	ne Commo	nwealth of	Kentucky,	and
Gateway Comm	unity Action					, a
Non-Profit Corpo	ration	organized	under the l	laws of the Co	mmonwea	lth of
Kentucky ("	Subcontractor" or "Operating Organ	ization"), (each	a " <b>Party</b> " a	and collectivel	y "Parties	").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

<u>September 30, 2021</u>; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive oneyear terms beginning on <u>October 1</u> of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Agreed to and Signed By:	
BY: Roger McCann (Sep 24, 2020 17:38 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
Roger McCann, Executive Direc Community Action Kentucky	tor Date
Charlene Engle BY: Charlene Engle (Sep 25, 2020 08:28 EDT)	Sep 25, 2020
Charlene Engle , Executi	ive Director Date
Gateway Community Action	

Utility:	Program Year:
Exhibit A – Program Funding and Des	signation of Program(s) Utility will Offer
Utility Program Funding	
<b>Customer Charge on Residential Bills:</b>	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
·	nolder funding levels & other non-residential
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Utility:	Program Yo	ear:			
Programs Utility Will Offer					
Please complete a copy of this fo	orm for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utili	ity will offer during the Program Year.			
Program Name:		- Company of the Comp			
Program Type:	Op	tions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis			
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>					
Contact Information					
Primary Name:					
Email:	Phone:				
Invoices should be subr	mitted to Name:				
Email:	Phone:				
Reports should be subn	nitted to the following email(s)				
Eligibility:					
Maximum allowable In	come (Percentage of Poverty):				
Crisis Situation (for Cris	is Style):				
Last Day to enroll client to rece	ive the first month's benefit				
Benefit Types & Dates:					
component, the Benefit Amount	enefit is available (e.g., 7 months – J	nth; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)			
For example:					
Subsidy/slot style progre	Electric benefits up to \$100 from Jar am for Electric and Natural Gas ben Mar, April, July, Aug and Sept	•			
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)			

Utility:		ogram Year:	·····
Preliminary Funding/Slots based o	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		_ (Available funding fo	r this component)
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Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
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#### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs) –** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.
  - a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:
    - i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		
d.		

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

1. Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- 2. CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the
  participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following
  the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the
  Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

**b.** Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application**- The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

## <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "Information" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

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Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
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Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Gateway Community Action ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

Max Total Administration

\$ 68,120.10 **\$ 142,420.10** 

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)		
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14		
Daviess	1	\$25			
Henderson	16	\$400			
McLean	13	\$325			
Ohio	26	\$650			
Union	29	\$725			
Webster	14	\$350			
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70		
Bell	72	\$1,800			
Whitley	20	\$500			
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76		
Anderson	40	\$1,000			
Boyle	64	\$1,600			
Franklin	18	\$450			
Garrard	23	\$575			
Jessamine	29	\$725			
Lincoln	22	\$550			
Mercer	45	\$1,125			
Scott	131	\$3,275			
Woodford	72	\$1,800			
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48		
Bourbon	31	\$775			
Fayette	901	\$22,525			
Harrison	22	\$550			
Nicholas	10	\$250			
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33		
Grayson	18	\$450			
Hardin	121	\$3,025			
Larue	18	\$450			
Marion	23	\$575			
Nelson	19	\$475			

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	<b>87</b>	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	\$6,025 \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	-
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	<b>18</b>	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	\$2,425 \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	\$1,200 \$	1,100.19
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	<b>184</b>	\$4,600 \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Graves Hickman	5	\$125		
Graves	1	\$25		
Fulton	1	\$25		
Carlisle	1	\$25		
Ballard	12	\$300	r	0,0.00
West KY	25	\$625	Ś	573.02
Trimble	8	\$200		
Oldham	40	\$1,000		
Henry	23	\$575		
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$	1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475		
Edmonson	1	\$25		
Barren	oorsoossa keesita makkikeetitaasta eelis surmaa een tisteeriteemaassa aansa sa saran uus sa saran uus sa saran 7	\$175		
Southern	27	\$675	\$	618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875		
Lyon	14	\$350		
Livingston	3	\$75		
Hopkins	66	\$1,650		

## **KUHEASubcontract - Gateway**

Final Audit Report

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT I

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCON	NTRACT ("Agreement") is	s made and entered	I into as of the	226th day of
September , 2020, b	y and between Commun	ity Action Kentuc	ky, Inc. ("CAK	."), a nonprofit
corporation organized Harlan County CAA Inc - Harlan,	and existing under the KY	laws of the Con	nmonwealth of	Kentucky, and , a
Harlan County CAA Inc - Harlan, K	/	organized under	the laws of the Co	mmonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontract	tor" or "Operating Organiza	tion"), (each a "Part	y" and collectivel	y "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTiNET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs) –** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

**Customer**- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

**Individual**- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	gning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Harlan County CAA Inc. Harlan, KY ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

Max Total Administration \$ 142,420.10

### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	<b>Electric Only</b>	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210		
Grayson	18	*	
Hardin	121	• • •	
Larue	18	· ·	
Marion	23	'	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
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KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	<b>4</b>	\$100 \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	4 400 40
Northern KY	48	\$1,200 \$	1,100.19
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275 \$135	
Pendleton	5 194	\$125 \$4.600 \$	4 217 20
PACS Caldwell	<b>184</b> 7	<b>\$4,600</b> \$ \$175	4,217.39
Caldwell	, 5	\$175 \$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.0
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.3
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## KUHEASubcontract - Harlan

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT J

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement")	is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September , 2020, by and between Commi	unity Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation organized and existing under the KCEOC Community Action Partnership	le laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and , a
KCEOC Community Action Partnership	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organi	zation"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

# XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

# XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Agreed to and Signed B	y:			
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Roger McCann, Community Act	Executive Director ion Kentucky	Date		
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Utility:	Program	Year:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this form	for <u>each</u> HEA Program that U	tility will offer during the Program Year
Program Name:		
Program Type:		Options: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:	AND REPORTS	
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submitt	ed to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be submitt	ed to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Incom	ne (Percentage of Poverty):	
Crisis Situation (for Crisis S	tyle):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive	the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
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Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)

Utility:		ogram Year:		
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# Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

# **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - 1. Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

# c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

# a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

## ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

# iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

# v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

# vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

# vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

# viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

# ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the
  participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following
  the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the
  Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

**b.** Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

# i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

# ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

# iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

# vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

# vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

# **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

# By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

# Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

# **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	gning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

# Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

# Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay KCEOC Community Action Partnership ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

# HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

# \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

# **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

# HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

# \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

# HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

# Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

# Kentucky Utilities Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)\$68,120.10Max Total Administration\$142,420.10

# Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

		Estimated Max \$ for Slot	Max Additional Adr	nın
stimated Slot Breakout	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)	
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269	).14
Daviess	1	\$25		
Henderson	16	\$400		
McLean	13	\$325		
Ohio	26	\$650		
Union	29	\$725		
Webster	14	\$350		
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108	3.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	•	
Whitley	20	\$500		
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176	5.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000		
Boyle	64	\$1,600		
Franklin	18	\$450		
Garrard	23	\$575		
Jessamine	29	\$725		
Lincoln	22	\$550		
Mercer	45	\$1,125		
Scott	131	\$3,275		
Woodford	72	\$1,800		
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095	5.48
Bourbon	31	\$775		
Fayette	901	\$22,525		
Harrison	22	\$550		
Nicholas	10	\$250		
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813	3.33
Grayson	18	\$450	•	
Hardin	121	\$3,025		
Larue	18	\$450		
Marion	23	\$575		
Nelson	19	\$475		

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	\$4,600 \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

<b>Grand Total</b>	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	<b>\$1,775</b>	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

# **KUHEASubcontract - KCEOC**

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT K

# HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THI	S SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement") i	s made and ent	tered into as	of the 24th	day of
September	_, 2020, by and between Commun	ity Action Ker	ntucky, Inc.	("CAK"), a	nonprofit
*	organized and existing under the nd Community Action Agency, Inc.	laws of the	Commonweal	th of Kentu	ıcky, and , a
non-profit, non-s	stock, private corporation	organized und	der the laws o	f the Common	nwealth of
Kentucky ("	'Subcontractor" or "Operating Organiza	tion"), (each a "I	Party" and col	lectively "Par	rties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

# I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

# II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

# III. SCOPE OF WORK

# A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

# B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTiNET in compliance with the CASTiNET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

# IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

# V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

# VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

# this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

# VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

# VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

# IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

# X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

# XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

# XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

# XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

# XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Agreed to and Signed By:		
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Alicia K. Polston, CPA	, Executive Director	Date
Lake Cumberland Comm	unity Action Agency, Inc.	

Utility:	Program Year:
Exhibit A – Program Funding and Des	ignation of Program(s) Utility will Offer
Utility Program Funding	
<b>Customer Charge on Residential Bills:</b>	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
donations allocated to the HEA Program(s	older funding levels & other non-residential ):

Utility:	Program Y	ear:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this for	m for <u>e<mark>ach</mark> HEA Program that Util</u>	ity will offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		
Program Type:	Ор	otions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submi	itted to Name:	***************************************
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be submi	tted to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Inco	ome (Percentage of Poverty):	
Crisis Situation (for Crisis	Style):	
Last Day to enroll client to receiv	e the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
component, the Benefit Amount t	efit is available (e.g., 7 months – J	onth; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
Subsidy/slot style program	lectric benefits up to \$100 from Ja. m for Electric and Natural Gas ben Iar, April, July, Aug and Sept	n 1 to April 1 nefits (\$80 and \$50 respectively) for
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)
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Utility:	Pr	ogram Year:	
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		_ (Available funding fo	r this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund"	as defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
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# Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

# **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program
    participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application
    of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

# c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility,
   Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

# a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

## iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

# v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

# vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

# vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

1. Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

## viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

# ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

# i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation:

# ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

## iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

# iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

# v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

# vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

# vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

# **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist**- A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible fo	r the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") a	nd your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Partic	es") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We ref	Fer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of	Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permis	ssion for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not t	o make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that	giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrolln	nent in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "Information" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

## **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

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Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA – Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

## **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

Max Total Administration

\$ 68,120.10 **\$ 142,420.10** 

## Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

stimated Slot Breakout	<b>Electric Only</b>	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	ŕ
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	·
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
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KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	, \$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	_,
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	31.00
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	olumnumuma mai milarish e lire lardish kolukrish krakenta u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u	\$100	2,223.30
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell		\$75	1,100.15
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$275 \$125	
PACS	184	\$125 <b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$ <b>4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Christian	5	\$175 \$125	
Crittenden			
Crittenaen	14	\$350	

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	<b>5</b>	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

# KUHEASubcontract - Lake Cumberland

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT L

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

	Organization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").
Non-Profit Corporation	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Licking Valley Community Action	, a
cornoration organized and existing un	nder the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
September , 2020, by and between (	Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreen	ment") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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Please complete a copy of	this form for <mark>each</mark> HEA Program that Utility will offer during the Program \	Year.
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Program Type:	Options: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis	
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
<b>Contact Information</b>		
<b>Primary</b> Name: _		
Email: _	Phone:	
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#### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- 2. CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation:

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application-** an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn**- A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization:	To be eligible for the _	("Program") ,	
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky	y, Inc. ("CAK") and you	r Community Action Agency	
("CAA") (collect	ctively, the "Parties") mu	ust share, exchange and use co	ertain Information
(defined below) about applicants and par	rticipants. We refer to the	ne process of sharing, exchang	ging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information	n. This release of Inform	ation may take place on pape	r or electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a	a) get your permission fo	or the Parties to release Inform	nation about you
in connection with the Program; b) get ye	our promise not to make	a claim against the Parties ar	ising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you	understand that giving	permission for the release of	your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or	continued enrollment in	the Program.	

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Licking Valley Community Action ("Subcontractor") the Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

## Kentucky Utilities

#### Program Year 20/21

**Max Total Administration** 

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

\$

### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

142,420.10

Estimated Slot Breakout	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

 $<sup>\</sup>boldsymbol{^*}$  Slots and Admin  $\boldsymbol{^*}$  are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	<b>71</b>	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	\$450 \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	\$3,350 \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	\$100 \$	91.68
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	\$4,600 \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	<b>\$1,875</b>	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## **KUHEASubcontract - Licking Valley**

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT M

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement")	is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September, 2020, by and between Commu	nity Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation organized and existing under the Middle Ky CAP, Inc	e laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and , a
Non-Profit Corporation	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organiz	ration"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

September 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTiNET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Roger McCann (Sep 24, 20)	20 17:53 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
Roger McCann, I Community Action	Executive Director on Kentucky	Date
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ty Program Funding	
Customer Charge on Residential Bills:	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
A description of current and future shareholde donations allocated to the HEA Program(s):	_

Utility:	Program Year:	
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this form fo	r <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utility will a	offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		1989aban
Program Type:	Options: S	Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submitted	to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be submitted	to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Income	(Percentage of Poverty):	
Crisis Situation (for Crisis Style	e):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive the	e first month's benefit	···
Benefit Types & Dates:		
Please list the benefit types (e.g. electromponent, the Benefit Amount the cland the months the program/benefit is months - Jan Feb Mar April; Start to Er	ient can receive (e.g., \$x / month; up s available (e.g., 7 months – Jan Feb	to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
, , -	c benefits up to \$100 from Jan 1 to A Electric and Natural Gas benefits (\$& April, July, Aug and Sept	•
Benefit Type		meframe (Benefit Months Or pplication Period)

Utility:		Program Year:	
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		(Available funding for	this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary end	ergy cost assistance fund" a	s defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
		Add also Made Appendix	
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#### Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program
    participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application
    of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

1. Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

**b.** Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation:

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

**Client**- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist**- A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected**- An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application**- The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

## <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "Information" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	igning above:
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Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

## Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Middle Ky CAP, Inc ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

Max Total Administration

\$ 68,120.10 **\$ 142,420.10** 

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	<b>Electric Only</b>	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	•
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	•	
Hardin	121	, ,	
Larue	18	•	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.0
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.8
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.7
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	<b>71</b>	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.3
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.5
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.3
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.9
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.6
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	\$2,425 \$	2,223.3
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.1
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.3
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125 \$350	
Crittenden	14		

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT N

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of September , 2020, by and between Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and Multi-Purpose Community Action Agency organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs) –** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program
    participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application
    of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

1. Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

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- All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

**Customer**- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application-** an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

## <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

Definition of Information: For purposes of this Authorization, the term "Information" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

	/
Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	signing above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

Removal File – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Multi-Purpose Community Action Agency ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

### Kentucky Utilities

Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

Max Total Administration \$ 142,420.10

#### **Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin**

		Estimated Wax \$ 101 Slot	Max Additional Admini
Estimated Slot Breakout	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	4
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	*
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.0
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.8
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.7
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.3
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KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.5
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.3
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.9
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.6
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.3
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.1
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.3
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

irand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## KUHEASubcontract - Multi-Purpose

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT O

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

TH	HIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement") is	made and en	tered into as o	of the 24th	_ day of
September	, 2020, by and between Commun	ity Action Kei	ntucky, Inc. (	"CAK"), a	nonprofit
	on organized and existing under the ntucky Community Action Commission	laws of the	Commonwealth	of Kentuc	cky, and , a
NKCAC		organized un	der the laws of	the Common	wealth of
Kentucky	("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organization	tion"), (each a "I	Party" and colle	ectively "Par	ties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Roger McCann (Sep 24, 2020	17:58 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
Roger McCann, Ex Community Action		Date
Catrena Bowm Catrena Bowman-Thomas (Sep		Sep 25, 2020

Utility:	Program Year:
Exhibit A – Program Funding and	Designation of Program(s) Utility will Offer
<b>Utility Program Funding</b>	
Customer Charge on Residential Bills:	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$
Estimated Funding:	\$
donations allocated to the HEA Progra	areholder funding levels & other non-residential am(s):

Utility:	Program '	Year:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this form	n for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Ut	ility will offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:	and Magazina	
Program Type:	0	ptions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submit	tted to Name:	
Email:	Phone: _	
Reports should be submit	ted to the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Inco	me (Percentage of Poverty): _	
Crisis Situation (for Crisis	Style):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive	the first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
Please list the benefit types (e.g. el component, the Benefit Amount th and the months the program/bene months - Jan Feb Mar April; Start t	ne client can receive (e.g., \$x / m efit is available (e.g., 7 months –	onth; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
<ul> <li>Subsidy/slot style program</li> </ul>	ectric benefits up to \$100 from Jo n for Electric and Natural Gas bel ar, April, July, Aug and Sept	an 1 to April 1 nefits (\$80 and \$50 respectively) for
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)

Utility:	Pro	ogram Year:	
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		_ (Available funding fo	r this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	ınder the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund"	as defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
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#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program
    participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application
    of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.	

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

1. Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- 2. CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation:

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- 2. Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

**Client**- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

**Customer**- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn**- A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

## By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

# Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

# **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	igning above:
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

# Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Northern Kentucky Community Action Commission ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA – Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

# **Kentucky Utilities**

## Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

Max Total Administration

\$ 68,120.10 **\$ 142,420.10** 

# Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

stimated Slot Breakout	Electric Only	<b>Maintenance by County</b>	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	. 72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	\$575	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.7
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.3
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KCEOC	18	<b>\$450</b> \$	412.5
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.3
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.9
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.6
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.3
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Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.1
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.3
Caldwell	7	\$175	
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# **KUHEASubcontract - NKCAC**

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT P

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THI	S SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement")	is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September	, 2020, by and between Commu	nity Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation	organized and existing under the	e laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
Pennyrile Allied	Community Services	, a
Non-Profit Corpo	oration	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("	'Subcontractor" or "Operating Organiz	cation"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

## III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

# B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTiNET in compliance with the CASTiNET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

# this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

## XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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# Exhibit B - HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - Application Period Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.
  - a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:
    - i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.	

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

## vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application**- the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

**Individual**- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty**- Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application**- The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

# Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

# **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person s	gning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Pennyrile Allied Community Services ("Subcontractor") the Compensation, as follows:

#### **HEA – Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)**

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA – Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

# **Kentucky Utilities**

# Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

\$25 \$ Max Per Slot Maintenance 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ **Max Total Administration** \$ 142,420.10

# **Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin**

68,120.10

**Electric Only Maintenance by County (reimbursement) Estimated Slot Breakout** Audubon 99 **\$2,475** \$ 2,269.14 **Daviess** 1 \$25 Henderson 16 \$400 McLean 13 \$325 Ohio 26 \$650 Union 29 \$725 Webster 14 \$350 **Bell-Whitley** 92 **\$2,300** \$ 2,108.70 Bell 72 \$1,800 Whitley 20 \$500 **Bluegrass** 444 **\$11,100** \$ 10,176.76 Anderson 40 \$1,000 Boyle 64 \$1,600 Franklin 18 \$450 Garrard 23 \$575 29 Jessamine \$725 Lincoln 22 \$550 Mercer 45 \$1,125 131 \$3,275 Scott Woodford 72 \$1,800 CAC 964 **\$24,100** \$ 22,095.48 **Bourbon** 31 \$775 **Fayette** 901 \$22,525 Harrison 22 \$550 **Nicholas** 10 \$250 Central 210 **\$5,250** \$ 4,813.33 Grayson 18 \$450 Hardin 121 \$3,025 \$450 Larue 18 23 \$575 Marion Nelson 19 \$475

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
<b>Daniel Boone</b>	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3 <i>,</i> 575	
Gateway	92	\$2,300 \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	<b>71</b>	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	<b>18</b>	\$450 \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	4.455.00
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37 2	\$925 \$50	
Robertson		\$30 <b>\$100</b> \$	91.68
Middle KY	4	and a second contract of the c	91.00
Lee	4 <b>97</b>	\$100 \$2.425 \$	2,223.30
Mutli-Purpose  Bullitt	4	<b>\$2,425</b> \$ \$100	2,223.30
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$2,023	
Northern KY	48	\$1,200 \$	1,100.19
Campbell	40 3	<b>\$1,200</b> \$ \$75	1,100.19
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell		\$175	.,,
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	
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Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## **KUHEASubcontract - PACS**

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT Q

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreement") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of September , 2020, by and between Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and Community Action of Southern Kentucky, Inc. , a Non-Profit Corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating Organization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTiNET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET;
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

Agreed to and Signed By:			
BY: Roger McCann (Sep 24, 2020	18:03 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020	
Roger McCann, Ex Community Action		Date	
Donald C. Butl BY: Donald C. Butler, Ph.D. (Sep 25	<i>ler, Ph.D.</i> , 2020 17:47 CDT)	Sep 25, 2020	
Donald C. Butler	, Executive Director	Date	
Community Action of S	outhern Kentucky, Inc.		

Utility:	Program Year:		
Exhibit A – Program Funding and Desi	gnation of Program(s) Utility will Offer		
Utility Program Funding			
<b>Customer Charge on Residential Bills:</b>			
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30		
Estimated Funding:	\$		
donations allocated to the HEA Program(s)	older funding levels & other non-residential		

Utility:	Program Y	/ear:
Programs Utility Will Offer		
Please complete a copy of this form j	<sup>f</sup> or <u>each</u> HEA Program that Util	lity will offer during the Program Year.
Program Name:		
Program Type:	Op	otions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis
<b>Utility Program Contacts:</b>		
Contact Information		
Primary Name:		
Email:	Phone:	
Invoices should be submitte	ed to Name:	
Email:	Phone:	
Reports should be submitte	<b>d to</b> the following email(s)	
Eligibility:		
Maximum allowable Income	e (Percentage of Poverty):	·
Crisis Situation (for Crisis St	yle):	
Last Day to enroll client to receive t	he first month's benefit	
Benefit Types & Dates:		
Please list the benefit types (e.g. electromponent, the Benefit Amount the and the months the program/benefit months - Jan Feb Mar April; Start to	client can receive (e.g., \$x / mc t is available (e.g., 7 months – .	onth; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)
For example:		
· · · ·		n 1 to April 1 nefits (\$80 and \$50 respectively) for
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)
Application of the state of the		· Control of the Cont

Utility:		ogram Year:	
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers		
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		(Available funding fo	or this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary end	ergy cost assistance fund	as defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	

#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.	

- All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- 2. Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

**b. Crisis Style Program Type:** A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application** - an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application-** an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically.
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	gning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Community Action of Southern Kentucky, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

### Kentucky Utilities

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

Max Total Administration \$ 142,420.10

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

		Estimated Iviax \$ for Slot	iviax	Additional Admin
Estimated Slot Breakout	Electric Only	Maintenance by County	(reim	bursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$	2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25		
Henderson	16	\$400		
McLean	13	\$325		
Ohio	26	\$650		
Union	29	\$725		
Webster	14	\$350		
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$	2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800		
Whitley	20	\$500		
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$	10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	•	
Boyle	64	\$1,600		
Franklin	18	\$450		
Garrard	23	\$575		
Jessamine	29	\$725		
Lincoln	22	\$550		
Mercer	45	\$1,125		
Scott	131	\$3,275		
Woodford	72	\$1,800		
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$	22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775		
Fayette	901	\$22,525		
Harrison	22	\$550		
Nicholas	10	\$250		
Central	210	\$5,250	\$	4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450		
Hardin	121	\$3,025		
Larue	18	\$450		
Marion	23	\$575		
Nelson	19	\$475		

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{*}$  Slots and Admin  $\mbox{\$}$  are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275		
Daniel Boone	87	\$2,175	\$ 1,99	94.09
Clay	10	\$250		
Laurel	61	\$1,525		
Rockcastle	16	\$400		
Foothills	241	\$6,025	\$ 5,52	23.87
Clark	82	\$2,050		
Estill	16	\$400		
Madison	143	\$3 <i>,</i> 575		
Gateway	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,10	08.70
Bath	13	\$325		
Montgomery	50	\$1,250		
Rowan	29	\$725		
Harlan	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,62	27.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775		
KCEOC	18	\$450	\$ 42	12.57
Knox	18	\$450		
Lake Cumberland	134	\$3,350	\$ 3,07	71.36
Adair	14	\$350		
Casey	9	\$225		
Green	7	\$175		
McCreary	9	\$225		
Pulaski	56	\$1,400		
Russell	15	\$375		
Taylor	24	\$600		
Licking Valley	64	\$1,600	\$ 1,46	1,466.92
Bracken	14	\$350		
Fleming	11	\$275		
Mason	37	\$925		
Robertson	2	\$50		
Middle KY	4	\$100	\$ 9	91.68
Lee	4	\$100		
Mutli-Purpose	97	\$2,425	\$ 2,22	23.30
Bullitt	4	\$100		
Shelby	81	\$2,025		
Spencer	12	\$300		
Northern KY	48	\$1,200	\$ 1,16	00.19
Campbell	3	\$75		
Carroll	20	\$500		
Gallatin	8	\$200		
Grant	1	\$25		
Owen	11	\$275		
Pendleton	5	\$125		
PACS	184	\$4,600	\$ 4,2:	17.39
Caldwell	7	\$175		
<b></b>	<b>-</b>	\$125		
Christian	5	\$172		

Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Hickman	5	\$125	
Graves	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Ballard	12	\$300	
West KY	25	<b>\$625</b> \$	573.02
Trimble	8	\$200	
Oldham	. 40	\$1,000	
Henry	23	\$575	
Tri-County	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Hart	19	\$475	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Barren	7	\$175	
Southern	27	<b>\$675</b> \$	618.86
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Hopkins	66	\$1,650	

## KUHEASubcontract - Southern

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT R

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agree	ement") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September , 2020, by and between	Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation organized and existing u	nder the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
Tri-County Community Action Agency	, a
Non-Profit Corporation	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating	Organization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTiNET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - 3. disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Agreed to and Signed By:

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

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Jtility Program Funding	
Customer Charge on Residential Bills:	
Customer Charge per meter:	\$0.30
Estimated Funding:	\$
A description of current and future shareholde donations allocated to the HEA Program(s):	_

Utility:	Program Ye	ear:		
Programs Utility Will Offer				
Please complete a copy of this form fo	or <u>e<b>ach</b></u> HEA Program that Utili	ty will offer during the Program Year.		
Program Name:				
Program Type:	Орг	tions: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis		
Utility Program Contacts:				
Contact Information				
Primary Name:		MANAGEM .		
Email:	Phone:			
Invoices should be submitted	l to Name:			
Email:	Phone:			
Reports should be submitted	to the following email(s)			
Eligibility:				
Maximum allowable Income	(Percentage of Poverty):			
Crisis Situation (for Crisis Styl	e):			
Last Day to enroll client to receive the	e first month's benefit			
Benefit Types & Dates:				
Please list the benefit types (e.g. electromponent, the Benefit Amount the cand the months the program/benefit is months - Jan Feb Mar April; Start to El	lient can receive (e.g., \$x / moi is available (e.g., 7 months – Jo	nth; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit)		
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Benefit Type	Benefit Amount	Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)		
	_			

Utility:		ogram Year:	<u></u>
Preliminary Funding/Slots based of	on residential customers	1	
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)		
Total Funding:		_ (Available funding fo	or this component)
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund	' as defined by KRS
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$	
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#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs)** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D.
         Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program
    participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application
    of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- i. Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility, Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

a.		

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- 2. CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application -** an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

**Customer**- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

**Individual-** a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application-** an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed-** a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification**- the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn-** A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist**- A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected**- An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	gning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationship (POA, Spouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay Tri-County Community Action Agency ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement)

Max Total Administration

\$ 68,120.10 **\$ 142,420.10** 

### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

<b>Estimated Slot Breakout</b>	<b>Electric Only</b>	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210		,
Grayson	18	,	
Hardin	121	• • •	
Larue	18	•	
Marion	23	•	
Nelson	19	\$475	

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{*}$  Slots and Admin  $\mbox{\$}$  are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.87
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	\$2,300 \$	2,108.70
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	<b>71</b>	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
Harlan	71	\$1,775	
KCEOC	18	\$450 \$	412.57
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.36
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	1 466 02
Licking Valley Bracken	1.4	<b>\$1,600</b> \$ \$350	1,466.92
	14 11	\$350 \$275	
Fleming Mason	37	\$275 \$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	<b>4</b>	\$100 \$	91.68
Lee	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$100 \$	91.00
Mutli-Purpose	97	<b>\$2,425</b> \$	2,223.30
Bullitt	4	\$100	2,223.30
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.19
Campbell	gaminatikon kiisin kuut oo ka kirin ka	\$75	_,
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.39
Caldwell	umino roduno della eriddi derivo dia dia dia dia dia deriva della dia della dia della della della della della d 7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Tri-County	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.36
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Henry	23	\$575	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Trimble	8	\$200	
West KY	25	<b>\$625</b> \$	573.02
Ballard	12	\$300	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Graves	1	\$25	
Hickman	5	\$125	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	

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# KENTUCKY UTILITIES EXHIBIT S

#### HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

THIS SUBCONTRACT ("Agreen	nent") is made and entered into as of the 24th day of
September , 2020, by and between C	community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK"), a nonprofit
corporation organized and existing und West Kentucky Allied Services, Inc.	der the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and
West Kentucky Allieu Services, Inc.	
West Kentucky Allied Services, Inc.	organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of
Kentucky ("Subcontractor" or "Operating (	Organization"), (each a "Party" and collectively "Parties").

WHEREAS, by Order dated May 4, 2020 (as it may be amended or superseded, the "Order") by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in Case No. 2019-00366, In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Home Energy Assistance Programs Offered by Investor-Owned Utilities Pursuant to KRS 278.285(4), the Commission set forth certain parameters for low-income home energy assistance ("HEA") programs to assist households with low income offered by jurisdictional utilities in Kentucky and determined that HEA programs should be administered by a single administering agency that provides back-office functions and subcontracts front-office functions to community level nonprofit organizations, and

WHEREAS, in the Order, the Commission requested that CAK serve as the single administering agency for all HEA programs under the Commission's jurisdiction, and, on June 2, 2020, CAK accepted the Commission's invitation;

WHEREAS, CAK and each utility subject to the Order, including the utility providing services to clients in Subcontractor's service area ("Utility"), have entered into an agreement to implement the requirements set forth in the Order (the "Utility Contract");

WHEREAS, CAK, itself and through arrangements with community-level, non-profit organizations such as the CAAs (collectively, "Operating Organizations"), of which Subcontractor is one, agreed to provide the services described in the Utility Contract to assist Utility in implementing Utility's HEA programs ("Programs") to eligible residential customers of the Utility; and

WHEREAS, CAK seeks to have Subcontractor or, as approved by CAK, its subcontractor, perform certain services for the Programs as further described in this Agreement and in and subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Contract (collectively, the "Program Services");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations of the Parties hereto, each of them does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### I. **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the text of this Agreement including as defined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference under the heading "HEA Program Terminology". (NOTE: Exhibit D is part of the Utility Contract and is attached to this Agreement for reference only.)

#### II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on

september 30, 2021; provided, however, this Agreement shall automatically continue for successive one-year terms beginning on October 1 of each successive year unless either Party terminates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving the other Party notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement no fewer than ninety (90) days prior to the end of any Program Year. In such case, this Agreement will terminate at the end of such Program Year. As used in this Agreement, the term "Program Year" shall mean October 1 of one calendar year to September 30 of the following calendar year, and each of the Programs shall have the same Program Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties recognize that the continuation of the Programs and of this Agreement are subject to orders of the Commission. Termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its obligation to continue to perform its duties under this Agreement applicable to the final Program Year, including without limitation, Subcontractor's submission of any data in the possession of Subcontractor as may be required by CAK to fulfill an audit by Utility, and compensation by CAK to Subcontractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement for services performed in connection with the final Program Year.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CAK

- 1. Before the start of the Program(s) and as soon as practicable after CAK receives all the information required from Utility as reflected on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and subject to any necessary approvals by the Commission, CAK shall notify Subcontractor of the following information:
  - a. The names of the Programs that are subject to this Agreement;
  - b. Sufficient information to set up the Program(s) in CASTINET (including Type of Program, eligibility criteria, maximum benefits and program dates)
  - c. Slots/Funding estimated to be available for Program(s) that are subject to this Agreement, as applicable.
- 2. CAK will notify Subcontractor throughout the Program Year of any material changes to information about the Program(s) reflected on Exhibit A as applicable Subcontractor's operation of the Program(s). For example, a change in SLOTs or funding may be necessary between Subcontractors if insufficient SLOTS or funding is utilized. CAK reserves the right to reallocate SLOTS/funding, subject to approval by the Commission and/or Utility as applicable.
- 3. CAK will provide training and technical assistance as needed, including training on how to use CASTINET to assist in operating the Programs and reporting on such operations.
- 4. CAK shall pay Subcontractor for Program Services in the manner described in Section IV. COMPENSATION and in the amounts set forth on **Exhibit E** ("Compensation") subject to approval of the Commission as may be applicable.

#### B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBCONTRACTOR

- 1. Subcontractor shall render the following Program Services to CAK:
- a. Subcontractor shall operate the HEA Programs (as may be amended or replaced from time-to-time and subject to any necessary approvals of the Commission) in accordance with Exhibit B, including the Application Process, the Program-specific rules, as well as any operating instructions provided by CAK regarding Programs;
  - i. Ensure applicants are properly screened and, before providing assistance under a Program, are eligible for the applicable assistance;
  - ii. Ensure all Program applications, transmittals, payments, payment amounts are entered into CASTINET:
  - iii. As applicable to the Program, carry out Vendor notifications accurately and timely (for example, submitting transmittals for crisis style programs)
- b. Carry out activities related to processing Program applications as necessary to ensure the full utilization of Program benefits. For example: SLOTS for SLOT-Subsidy programs; funds for crisis style programs. Program performance is evaluated by the appropriate filing of SLOTS and/or dispersal of funds.
- c. Comply with all applicable elements of KRS 278.287 regarding Donation Programs;
- d. Comply with other instructions from CAK applicable to the Programs as may be issued from time to time.
- 2. Subcontractor shall set up the HEA Program(s) in CASTINET in compliance with the CASTINET Admin Manual.
- 3. Subcontractor shall ensure that all its staff and subcontractors who are or may be involved in any aspect of HEA Program operations are aware of HEA Program Operations and requirements. To the extent Subcontractor desires to arrange for its own subcontractor to perform any of Subcontractor's responsibilities under this Agreement, Subcontractor shall, upon prior approval from CAK, incorporate the terms of this Agreement into a written agreement with such subcontractor causing such subcontractor to be subject to all the terms contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Subcontractor shall cooperate with CAK and Utility in the development of an outreach and marketing strategy for the Programs for which Subcontractor is responsible hereunder and shall implement and execute on such outreach and/or marketing strategy as applicable.
- 5. Subcontractor shall obtain from all Program applicants a written Authorization to Release Information and Waiver of Claims ("Authorization") in a form substantially similar to the applicable form on **Exhibit C** to this Agreement giving permission to Utility, CAK and Subcontractor to exchange information regarding an applicant/participant/customer as necessary for the administration of the Programs, and waiving any claims against Utility, CAK and Subcontractor in connection with the exchange of information and administration of the Programs.
  - 6. Subcontractor acknowledges that Programs, including SLOTS, funding, benefit

amounts and eligibility requirements, may be modified at the discretion of the Commission and/or Utility.

- 7. Subcontractor shall provide documentation as requested for CAK to meet its obligation for monitoring, auditing and reporting the Programs pursuant to the Utility Contracts.
- 8. Subcontractor agrees to maintain, during the term of this Agreement and for four years following its termination, complete and accurate records with regard to operation of the Programs including but not limited to client files and all Subcontractor's expenses and invoices in carrying out the Programs and other obligations under this Agreement. CAK shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit the records maintained by Subcontractor in its ordinary course of business for to the HEA Program(s) the current Program Year and the four preceding Program Years at CAK's sole cost either through CAK's own authorized representatives or through any public accounting firm selected by CAK. Subcontractor agrees to provide CAK with all information within Subcontractor's possession that is pertinent to Program operations.

#### IV. COMPENSATION

- A. CAK shall compensate Subcontractor for Program Services as set forth on **Exhibit E** for the applicable Program ("Compensation").
- B. Subcontractor agrees that Compensation due to Subcontractor is dependent upon Subcontractor's accurate entry of Program data into CASTINET and other documentation as applicable to the Program and the Compensation Method set forth on Exhibit E.
- C. Subcontractor is responsible for managing its resources and expenditures for all obligations set forth in this Agreement and CAK's payment to Subcontractor herein shall not exceed the Compensation set forth on Exhibit E and, if applicable, approved by the Commission. Any change to Compensation after the Effective Date of this Agreement must be documented by an addendum to Exhibit E that is signed by the Parties and, if applicable, approved by the Commission.

#### V. REGULATORY APPROVALS

Approval by the Commission of this Agreement and the details of the Programs is required. As a result, the Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, and the effectiveness of this Agreement, are expressly contingent upon obtaining and maintaining such approval. The date on which the Commission approves this Agreement will be the "Effective Date." To the extent that there may be, or later arise, a conflict between this Agreement and any requirement or order of the Commission, the Commission's requirement or order shall be controlling. Subcontractor agrees to cooperate with CAK and Utility in obtaining and maintaining all necessary Commission approvals for the Programs.

#### VI. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

A. Each of the following events or occurrences shall constitute an "Event of Default" under

#### this Agreement:

- 1. A Parties' insolvency or declaration of bankruptcy;
- 2. A failure by a Party to comply with any substantive obligation attributed to it pursuant to this Agreement;
- 3. Disclosure or discovery that the covenants and representations made by CAK or Subcontractor requiring the fulfillment of any requirement covered under this Agreement or any other document submitted in support of this Agreement is, was, or shall be false or misleading in any material respect.
- B. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, no Event of Default shall be the basis of any claim or action unless and until the non-defaulting Party has provided the alleged defaulting party a written notice detailing the specific claimed Event(s) of Default, and the alleged defaulting party has not cured, or undertaken significant and continuing efforts to cure the alleged default within twenty (20) days of its receipt of such notice, provided that the alleged default is cured within sixty (60) days following such notice. In the absence of such cure or a legitimate dispute as to the existence of the alleged the default, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right, at its election, to suspend its performance under this Agreement until such cure is completed or the dispute is resolved, or to terminate this Agreement and pursue any other remedies available to it.
- C. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or consequential damages.

#### VII. FORCE MAJEURE

- A. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, except for any obligation to pay money due for obligations incurred prior to the contract's termination, each Party will be excused from performance under this Agreement during the period and to the extent that such Party is unable to perform by reason of any cause beyond the control of that Party, including, but not limited to, fire, storm, drought, flood, earthquake, war, terrorism, insurrection, power failure, quarantine, fuel shortage, the application or enforcement of any law, government declaration of emergency, or the inability or delay of a Party to acquire, after the exercise of due diligence and commercially reasonable efforts under the circumstances, any necessary materials, supplies, permits, permissions and governmental actions (a "Force Majeure Event").
- B. The Party asserting an excuse of performance due to the occurrence of Force Majeure Event shall give notice of same to the non-claiming Party, including a description of the Force Majeure Event, a good faith estimate of the anticipated duration of the Force Majeure Event and a description of the claiming Party's efforts, if any, to terminate the Force Majeure Event or to limit its effects on the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement.

#### VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. As used in this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means any information obtained or developed by the Parties about individual applicants and participants under the Program ("Program Applicants") and that is disclosed by one Party to the other Party, whether before or during the term of this Agreement, including but not limited to nonpublic, individually identifiable personal information where the privacy or security of such information is subject to a local, state or federal law governing the privacy or security of such information, and information that is derived from the Confidential Information (for example through testing, analysis, processing, nonpublic reporting).
- B. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in writing by a Party's authorized representative, each of the Parties agrees to protect and maintain as confidential all Confidential Information obtained from another party and shall not:
  - 1. use such Confidential Information received from another Party for any purpose other than in connection with the implementation, operation, evaluation, and oversight of the Program;
  - 2. disseminate or use Confidential Information for any purpose beyond the limited purpose in this Agreement;
  - disclose, reveal or otherwise provide access to Confidential Information to any person or entity other than a Party's employees, directors, officers, agents and consultants who (i) have a need to know to further the purpose of this Agreement; (ii) have been advised of the information's confidential status; and (iii) are subject to legally binding obligations of confidentiality as to such information no less restrictive than those contained in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Party who received it shall at all times be fully responsible to the Party who disclosed it for the compliance by such persons and entities with this Agreement; or
  - 4. give, sell, or otherwise provide or make available Confidential Information to any other individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or agency not a party to this Agreement.
- C. The Parties understand and agree that to the extent Confidential Information must be used or reflected in Utility's billing or accounting systems for purposes of the Programs or Utility's routine operations, Utility's usual restrictions on dissemination and availability of customer information shall be sufficient for purposes of satisfying its obligations under this Agreement with respect to Confidential Information.
- D. All anecdotal reports containing or using Confidential Information shall use fictitious names, addresses, employers, and other identifiers.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the use of Confidential Information as necessary to implement, document, evaluate, or monitor the Programs or to comply with any court or regulatory agency proceeding or filing to which they may be subject. To the extent Confidential Information is included in any such proceeding or filing, however, the Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to protect its confidentiality.

#### IX. INSURANCE

- A. Subcontractor shall procure and maintain, the following insurance coverage throughout the term of this Agreement:
  - 1. Commercial general liability insurance covering claims of bodily injury, property damage and professional liability insurance and/or Errors and Omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000 per claim or per occurrence.
  - 2. The commercial general liability policy shall include CAK and its officers, directors, and employees as an additional named insureds and shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the additional insureds with respect to CAK's liability arising out of Subcontractor's operations.
  - 3. The insurance required by this paragraph is in addition to and separate from any other obligations contained in the Agreement. If any of the policies indicated above are placed on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained for a period of not less than five years following the termination of this Agreement and Subcontractor shall have the right to recover a portion of the premiums as part of the Program Costs. The above-referenced limit requirements may be met by any combination of umbrella or excess and primary policies so long as the total limit of insurance requirement is met. The required coverages referred to herein shall in no way affect, nor are they intended as a limitation of, Subcontractor's liability with respect to its performance under this Agreement; notwithstanding the foregoing, Subcontractor shall not be liable to CAK for any claim or occurrence covered by insurance but for CAK's failure to provide timely notification of such claim or occurrence.

#### X. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by law, each Party shall indemnify, and save the other harmless from and against any liabilities, costs, and claims, including judgments rendered against, and fines and penalties imposed upon, such Party, with reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of litigation (collectively, "Claims"), to the extent, and only to the extent, such Claims result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and provided the claim for indemnification for Claims is asserted within the statute of limitations applicable to the Claims. Any indemnification of a Party shall to the same extent apply to such Party's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliated companies (including any joint ventures of which the indemnified Party or any of its affiliates are a member and the other members of such joint ventures), and the directors, officers, employees and agents thereof.

#### XI. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCONTRACT

The Parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement and the validity and construction of the Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without regard to any conflicts of laws or other doctrines that could result in the application of the law of another jurisdiction. This Agreement has been negotiated by both Parties, and it shall not be interpreted or construed for or against Subcontractor or CAK. The words "includes" or "including" shall be understood as though they were followed in each case by the words "without limitation."

#### XII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its Exhibits, and any documents referred to herein are incorporated herein and are a part of this Agreement. This Agreement contains all the terms, conditions and promises applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification or waiver of this Agreement, or any provision thereof, shall be valid or binding unless it is in writing and executed by both of the Parties. No waiver by either Party of any default or breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or breach of the same or another term or provision of the Agreement.

#### XIII. NO OTHER BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is solely between CAK and Subcontractor, and nothing in this Agreement, or the Programs shall be construed as creating any rights or claims in any third party.

#### XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

All of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including insurance obligations, indemnification obligations, confidentiality obligations, and limitations of liability, shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms of such provisions. If any provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Agreement. Headings are provided for the convenience of the Parties and shall not affect the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which counterparts taken together shall constitute the executed Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth above, but effective as provided herein.

greed to and Signed By:		
Y. Roger McCann (Sep 24, 2020	) 18:10 EDT)	Sep 24, 2020
Roger McCann, Ex	xecutive Director	Date
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ility Program Funding	
<b>Customer Charge on Residential B</b>	ills:
Customer Charge per mete	er: \$ <u>0.30</u>
Estimated Funding:	\$
-	e shareholder funding levels & other non-residential ogram(s):

Utility:	Program Year:					
Programs Utility Will Offer						
Please complete a copy o	f this form for <u>each</u> HEA Program that Utility will offer during the Program Year.					
Program Name:						
Program Type:	Options: Slot/Subsidy; Crisis					
<b>Utility Program Contacts</b>	:					
Contact Information						
<b>Primary</b> Name:						
Email:	Phone:					
Invoices should I	be submitted to Name:					
Email:	Phone:					
Reports should k	pe submitted to the following email(s)					
Eligibility:						
Maximum allow	able Income (Percentage of Poverty):					
Crisis Situation (	for Crisis Style):					
Last Day to enroll client	to receive the first month's benefit					
Benefit Types & Dates:						
component, the Benefit A	es (e.g. electric, natural gas, electric (non-heating),) available for this Amount the client can receive (e.g., \$x / month; up to \$x max; 1 time \$x benefit) ram/benefit is available (e.g., 7 months — Jan Feb Mar April July Aug Sep; 4 ril; Start to End Date).					
For example:						
Subsidy/slot style	am for Electric benefits up to \$100 from Jan 1 to April 1 e program for Electric and Natural Gas benefits (\$80 and \$50 respectively) for n, Feb, Mar, April, July, Aug and Sept					
Benefit Type	Benefit Amount Timeframe (Benefit Months Or Application Period)					

Utility:		Program Year:		
Preliminary Funding/Slots based	on residential customers			
(*slots/funding can be adjusted as	needed)			
Total Funding:		(Available funding for this component)		
Will funding for the Program fall u 278.287? YES / NO	under the "Voluntary en	ergy cost assistance fund	' as defined by KRS	
Region/County (if applicable)	Benefit Type	Slots/\$		
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#### Exhibit B – HEA Program Operations and HEA Program Terminology

Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### **HEA Program Operations**

Note: The term "program" herein means HEA program unless the context otherwise requires a different meaning. See Exhibit B-1 for Common HEA Terminology.

- **1. Application Process (Applicable to all Programs) –** Any person who inquires shall be informed of the eligibility requirements and the rights and obligations of applicants in the program
  - **a. Application Period -** Each HEA program has its own application process. Please see program specific Application Period
  - b. Screening, Eligibility Determination and Participant Identification.
    - i. Operating Organizations shall take an initial screening application from all persons seeking to participate in the HEA programs and shall evaluate the information to make a preliminary determination whether applicant qualifies for the program. This includes:
      - **1.** Ensure all required information has been provided by the applicant to determine if the household is eligible.
        - a. Determine that the household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for. If applicable, applicant will self-declare if the energy type is primary or secondary for heating.
        - b. The household does not exceed the income threshold for HEA program eligibility as defined in Exhibit A. The income threshold is based on the percentage of the federal poverty guidelines as of the start of the program year.
          - i. Income documentation and calculations will follow the LIHEAP program rules.
        - c. Meet other program specific eligibility requirements. See program specific Eligibility Requirements
      - 2. Obtain release/waiver from the applicant in the form of Exhibit D. Alternate methods of collecting the release/waiver will be accepted to accommodate applicants as needed.
    - ii. Notify Utility of Eligible Clients
      - 1. Prioritization criteria will be used to determine whether an eligible applicant will be submitted to the utility.
        - a. There will be no carryover or preference for past HEA program participants
        - b. Clients will be submitted to the Utility based on their prioritization using a predefined format (See program specific Utility Notification Requirements)
        - c. See program Specific Client Prioritization for additional criteria.
    - iii. Utility shall verify applications submitted to ensure the application meets the utility related eligibility requirements. This includes:

- 1. Determine that the applicant meets the following requirements:
  - a. Be an Active Residential Customer of Utility
  - b. Provide Utility with access for monthly meter readings;
  - c. Meet other program specific Utility Eligibility Requirements
- iv. Utility shall notify Operating Organization with the disposition (e.g. did the client get enrolled, receive a benefit, etc.)
  - 1. See program specific Disposition Notification Requirements
- v. Utility will apply the benefit(s) in the form of a credit to the customer's account in accordance with the following:
  - 1. Participant's benefits as defined in the program specific Program Benefits Section
  - 2. Utility will respond to general billing questions from Program participants, including inquiries regarding the details of the application of credits to their Utility bills pursuant to the Programs.
- vi. Termination of Services
  - 1. See program specific Termination of Services

#### c. Compliance, Monitoring and Reporting

- Keep appropriate records. The program is subject to monitoring by CAK, Utility,
   Management Auditor, or designee. This includes:
  - 1. The implementation and ongoing operation of the program,
  - 2. The data collected and reported for the program
- 2. **Specific Program Type Rules:** Utility will identify the type of program(s) that will be operated as part of Exhibit A. Below are the program specific rules (in addition to generic rules described in Item 2 above) that will apply depending on the program type.

#### a. Subsidy/Slot Style Program Type:

i. Overview: Utility customers (households) apply for the program, and if they meet the eligibility criteria they are approved for placement on a waitlist. The households are ranked with a prioritization system. Households are then selected from the waitlist based on their priority ranking and submitted to the utility. The utility will evaluate the customer further and either accept the household for enrollment into a slot or reject them. Once accepted into a slot, the utility will credit the customer accounts with a pre-determined dollar amount, over a pre-determined period of time.

#### ii. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program at any time during the program year (10/1 to 9/30 or until no more benefit months are available).
- 2. Clients are encouraged to apply during the LIHEAP Subsidy application window, which allows clients to simultaneously apply for the LIHEAP and the HEA programs.

#### iii. Eligibility Requirements

1. No additional program specific requirements

#### iv. Prioritization Requirements

 Applications will be prioritized by CASTINET based on the following criteria:

- 2. All clients that applied prior to the Initial Enrollment Date (as specified in Exhibit A) will be prioritized and considered for the initial enrollment batch submitted to the Utility.
- 3. After the Initial Enrollment, the waitlist will contain all approved applications that were not previously submitted
- 4. Applications with the highest priority will be submitted to the utility for enrollment as slots are available for the county/region/benefit type using the Utility Notification Requirements.
  - a. Slots may be moved by CAK after the initial enrollment to ensure maximum utilization of funds.

#### v. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Utility will be notified via the request file in Exhibit D

#### vi. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - a. Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
  - b. Reside in a multi-unit single meter building
- 2. Utility will verify and notify CAK (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent enrollment of the client.

#### vii. Disposition Notification Requirements

 Dispositions will be returned from the Utility via the response file described in Exhibit D

#### viii. Program Benefits

- 1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type for each of the benefit timeframe (months) as specified in Exhibit A
- Participant's benefits under the Programs shall begin with the
  participant's first Utility billing cycle following the participant's
  admission to the Program, provided that such billing cycle falls within a
  Benefit month, unless otherwise specified.

#### ix. Termination of Participation.

- Utility will notify CAK if an enrolled client's service is discontinued, or the enrolled client no longer meets the eligibility requirements, via a removal file (see Exhibit D), and will remove the client from the program.
- 2. CAK/Operating Organization will notify Utility to remove the client from the program via the request file (see Exhibit D) if they learn that an enrolled client is no longer eligible, or participant chooses to voluntarily withdraw from the program.
- 3. If the benefit of participant in the Programs is terminated, credits to the participant's Utility account shall terminate the billing month following the date the participant is no longer eligible to participate in the Programs, unless otherwise specified.
- 4. All clients will be removed at the end of the program.

b. Crisis Style Program Type: A Crisis style utility assistance program provides benefits to customers to resolve a crisis, usually related to a hardship that the customer has experienced. For example, a customer may require assistance to avoid a disconnect, needs help with a past due balance, or needs help to pay their bill as the result of a natural disaster, medical emergency, and/or other hardship.

#### i. Application Period:

- 1. Clients can apply for the program during the Application Period specified in Exhibit A or until funds have been depleted. Client will have a 5 working day pending period to provide additional information.
  - a. Extensions to the 5 working day requirements may be granted if circumstances exist that are out of the client's control and would cause an undue burden to the client. Any extension shall be documented and equally accessible to all clients. Examples that would warrant an extension: natural disaster in the area; office closures that prevents the client from bringing in documentation;

#### ii. Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Client must be in a Crisis Situation as defined in Exhibit A.
- 2. Must not be disconnected for nonpayment at the time of the application or work with the utility to be reconnected.

#### iii. Prioritization Requirements

- 1. Clients will be served on a first come first serve basis.
- 2. To achieve maximum utilization of funds, operating agencies may move funds between counties in their service territory and CAK may move funds between operating agencies. Reasonable efforts shall be made to serve clients based on the original allocations to ensure equal access to services in all areas.

#### iv. Utility Notification Requirements

1. Operating Organizations will notify Utility using CASTINET Transmittals.

#### v. Utility-Verified Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Utility will verify that the customer's account does not:
  - Have their service disconnected at the residence for which benefits will be credited
- Utility will verify and notify Operating Agency (via the Disposition Notification) of any discrepancies that prevent applying the program benefit.

#### vi. Disposition Notification Requirements

- 1. Utility will return the transmittal with accounts that have credits applied or that have been rejected
- 2. Operating Organization will update the disposition information in CASTINET.

#### vii. Program Benefits

1. Utility will apply the Benefit Amount based on the Benefit Type as specified in Exhibit A.

#### **HEA Program Terminology**

(Note: These terms most often do not appear with an initial cap in Exhibit B or other program documents due to the frequency with which these terms are used; nevertheless, unless the context otherwise requires, these terms have the following meanings regardless of the case of the first letter.)

**Account Number-** the unique identifier associated with a utility account that associates it with a particular service or meter.

**Active Customer:** At the time of application, the client must have an account with the utility that is open and can accept the program benefits

**All-Electric-** a Household that uses only electricity for heating and cooling, i.e., the Household does not use propane or Natural Gas for either heating or cooling.

**Applicant**- a) an individual who applies for services on behalf of a Household or alternatively b) the Household who has applied for services. Applicant and Household may be used interchangeably unless the context otherwise requires.

**Approved / Approved Application -** an Applicant who is approved after having applied and being determined as *eligible* to participate in an HEA program. To be Approved does not mean that Applicant will receive a benefit. An Approved Applicant is eligible to either placed into a SLOT when it becomes available or be provided another available benefit. (See definitions of Enrolled and Enrollment.)

**Base Load-** a Household that uses a fuel source other than electricity for heating. For example, the Household may have a furnace that uses Natural Gas or propane as the heat source.

Client- refers to an individual who seeks help with home energy needs from an Operating Organization.

Customer- refers to an individual who is a utility customer.

**Denial / Denied Application-** the process of denying an application because the Applicant is ineligible. For example, an Applicant may be above the income level allowed for the HEA program.

**Enrolled / Enrollee**- a status that indicates a Household's utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or some other mechanism by which they will receive a benefit.

**Enrollment**- the process of placing Household into a position where they will receive a benefit, i.e., to be enrolled. An example would be an Applicant that has been placed into a SLOT after having been on a waitlist.

**Expired** – an Application that is not carried over from one program year to the next. Example: An application may be approved and placed onto a waitlist, but because no SLOT was available, the application "expires" and is purged from the waitlist prior to the new program year.

**Household-** a individual person or group of people who live together and share a utility service, energy source, water or sewer connection (i.e., utility account). The people in a Household may not necessarily be related.

Individual- a person who lives in a Household. This person may or may not be the Applicant.

**Initial Enrollment Date** – The Date is determined by taking the cutoff date provided by the utilities to ensure the first month's credit can be applied to the client's account and an adequate number of days prior to ensure timely file exchanges.

Management Auditor – a organization selected by the Commission to perform a management audit.

**Participant**- a Household who a) has been Enrolled and b) is receiving or has received a program benefit. A Household whose utility account has been assigned to a SLOT, pledge voucher or other benefit mechanism. Same as Enrolled or Enrollee.

**Pending Application**- an Application that has started, but has not been completed. This may occur if the Applicant has not provided adequate eligibility documentation, utility account information or similar. Applications will remain in Pending status until either Approved or the Pending Application Period has expired.

**Pending Application Period**- the time period that an Applicant's Application may remain in Pending status before being automatically denied. The default application period is 5 calendar days. An Applicant whose Application is automatically denied during the pending period may re-apply.

**Percent of Poverty-** Percent of Poverty (POP) refers to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Priority**- the ranking of Applicants based on a calculation. Applicants who are on a waitlist are selected for SLOTS based on their priority points.

**Removed**- a status that indicates a Household who was Enrolled has been unenrolled. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory. Typically occurs because of a utility action.

**Recertification-** the process of a) retaining an Enrollee/Participant from one period to the next, b) automatically or semi-automatically re-enrolling a Participant based on prior participation in a program.

**Withdrawn**- A status that indicates a Household has opted to leave an HEA program. This is usually assumed to be voluntary. This may occur when a Household closes an account or moves out of a service territory.

**Waitlist-** A list of Households or utility accounts, who have applied and been determined to be eligible for a "SLOT". Applicants on a waitlist are prioritized. Applicants are selected and placed in a SLOT based on their Priority (see above definition).

**Rejected-** An applicant that was approved based on eligibility and submitted to a utility but was not accepted or rejected for enrollment into a benefit program. This may occur when an Applicant was placed onto a waitlist and then their account closed.

**Void / Voided Application-** The status of an Application. Typically, an Application is Void or Voided because it contains an error and is "voided" so that it can be replaced with another Application.

# <u>AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS</u> ("AUTHORIZATION")

Purpose of this Authorization: To be eligible for the ("Program"),
("Utility"), Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") and your Community Action Agency
("CAA") (collectively, the "Parties") must share, exchange and use certain Information
(defined below) about applicants and participants. We refer to the process of sharing, exchanging, and using
Information as a "release" of Information. This release of Information may take place on paper or electronically
The purpose of this Authorization is to: a) get your permission for the Parties to release Information about you
in connection with the Program; b) get your promise not to make a claim against the Parties arising from a
release of Information; and c) ensure you understand that giving permission for the release of your Information
does not guarantee your selection for or continued enrollment in the Program.

**Definition of Information:** For purposes of this Authorization, the term "**Information**" means information that includes all records about you and your electric service account, including but not limited to your payment records, usage data, electricity usage (AMP) estimates, meter reading dates, service disconnection data, past due payments, billing due dates and amounts, pledges and partial payment agreements, information about your application and eligibility for available weatherization programs, existing third-party notification information, other benefits or subsidies you receive to cover your home heating costs, amounts of other assistance provided, any intake and benefit information from the Program, social security number, driver's license number, age, date of birth, health information and information relating to disabilities (except for mental health or chemical dependency information from a health care provider), employment information, education level, criminal history, income and financial information and any information collected or generated by the IRS with regard to your tax liability.

**Authorization Time Periods:** If you sign this Authorization, the Parties may release your Information covering the following time periods: a) sixty (60) months before the date of this Authorization; and b) up through the latter of: (i) sixty (60) months after the date of this Authorization; or (ii) six months after the effective date that your participation in the Program ends.

#### By initialing below, I accept and agree as follows:

- A. I acknowledge that it is necessary for a release of my Information by and between the Parties so that the Parties can determine whether I would benefit from the Program, determine the level of benefits for which I may be eligible, administer the Program and study the overall effectiveness of the Program. I further understand that by authorizing the release my Information, I am not being assured of selection for, or continued enrollment in, the Program.
- B. The Parties have my express permission to release the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization.
- C. In consideration for processing my application and determining my eligibility in the Program, I release the Parties (including their directors, officers, affiliates, employees and authorized agents) from any and all liability whatsoever for, and forever discharge and waive any claim that arises in connection with, the release of the Information for the purposes described in this Authorization ("Waiver of Claims").

D.	I may withdraw this Authorization and, thus, withdraw from participation in the Program, by making
	a written request to my CAA. I understand that if I withdraw this Authorization, the Parties will
	cease to further release Information about me upon the expiration of six months after the effective
	date my participation in the Program ends except as may be required by law. I also understand that
	my withdrawal of this Authorization does not affect my Waiver of Claims above related to a release
	of Information that occurs before the expiration of six months after the effective date that my
	participation in the Program ends.

#### Initial of Applicant/Authorized Representative

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Program, including benefit amounts and eligibility requirements, may be changed from time-to-time, which changes in some cases may require the approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Benefits will be paid only so long as funding is available and you remain eligible for the benefits. Participation in a Program during any Program Year does not make you eligible to participate in any Program during a subsequent Program Year, and you will be required to reapply, and your eligibility for benefits from any Program will be reassessed for each Program Year.

No part of any Program benefit will be refunded or paid to you in cash. If a final bill otherwise shows a credit balance, part or all of which is the result of the application of a Program benefit, a refund will be made of only that portion, if any, of the final credit balance that exceeds the total Program benefits applied during the current Program Year.

Signature of Applicant/Authorized Representative	Date
Print name and relationship to Applicant of person si	igning above:
	/
Printed Name	Relationshin (POA, Snouse, Child, etc.)

#### Agreement Between Utility and Community Action Kentucky, Inc.

#### Exhibit D - Data Exchanges

Utility and CAK shall exchange the following reports electronically using an agreed-upon data transfer method that would be expected to provide adequate security for such data.

**Request File** - CAK will provide Utility with a request file that will request a new eligible customer to be enrolled or notify the utility if a customer should be removed (e.g. no longer eligible).

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Request Type
  - a. A(Enroll)
  - b. R(emove)

**Response File** - In response to receipt of CAK's request file, the Utility will transmit a response file containing if the request was successful and if not a reason.

- i. CASTINET ServiceId (Unique identifier in CASTINET)
- ii. Utility Account Number (Unique identifier for the Utility)
- iii. Name on Account (optional)
- iv. Program Type (This is critical for utilities that provide Baseload, All-electric and Donation Programs)
- v. Response Type
  - a. E(nrolled) in response to A(Enroll)
  - b. R(Rejected) in response to A(Enroll) or R(emove) will require reason
  - c. M(emoved) in response to R(emove)
- vi. Date
- vii. Reason

**Removal File** – The utility will notify CAK when a customer enrolled in the Program has been removed by the utility for reasons other than a removal request from CAK. This may be because the customer is no longer eligible (e.g. requested service to be discontinued, has been disconnected for non-payment or no longer meets eligibility criteria as defined in Exhibit B.

- i. Utility Account Number
- ii. Name on Account
- iii. Program Type (electric, base load, etc)
- iv. Reason
- v. Date

# Exhibit E to HEA Program Subcontract Compensation

Pursuant to Section IV. COMPENSATION of the Home Energy Assistance ("HEA") Program Subcontract between CAK and Subcontractor, Community Action Kentucky, Inc. ("CAK") will pay West Kentucky Allied Services, Inc. ("Subcontractor") the

Compensation, as follows:

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (non-donation) Program(s)

All funding is subject to the availability of funding from Utility.

All program operations, including SLOTS, administration fees, and reimbursement are subject to approval by the Utility and the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission may change any program at its discretion.

Subcontractor will be reimbursed for up seven percent (7%) of the total Program funds expended. This will include:

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

- \* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.
- \*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

#### **Reimbursement of Additional Administrative Funds**

\*Subject to prior approval

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor shall submit invoices and supporting documentation for payment of the Compensation at such intervals and in such manner as prescribed by the CAK HEA Programs Manual/CASTINET Manual, but in no event more frequently than on a monthly basis. CAK shall pay such invoices within 30 days after its receipt of same.

#### HEA - Subsidy/SLOT Style (donation) Program(s)

Subcontractor will be reimbursed on a per SLOT basis

#### \$25 per SLOT maintained

\* SLOT estimated breakout will be provided upon receipt of final Exhibit A from Utility and is subject to change.

\*\* Subcontractor shall take sufficient Applications to keep SLOTS filled in case a client is removed or withdraws (e.g., Subcontractor continues taking Applications so that there are more applicants than slots.).

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on the CASTINET SLOTS Report. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with CAK to resolve them.

Program is subject to Donation rules.

#### **HEA - Crisis Style Program(s)**

Subcontractor will receive eight percent (8%) of the Program funds expended.

#### Estimated funding breakout is attached to this Exhibit E.

**Method of Payment:** Subcontractor acknowledges that CAK will pay Subcontractor the Compensation due for the Program above based on payments marked as paid and included on the CASTINET Funds Remaining Report. Subcontractor must enter the return transmittals, enter payment amounts and mark the payments as paid in CASTINET to receive payment. Subcontractor shall inform CAK of any discrepancies/omissions in the Report and work with the Utility and CAK to resolve them.

Periodically, this funding will be compared to the benefits applied at the Utility and adjustments to Admin may be made based on differences.

#### **Kentucky Utilities**

#### Program Year 20/21

KU Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) Subsidy/Slot Style Program

Max Per Slot Maintenance \$25 \$ 74,300.00

Max Additional Admin (reimbursement) \$ 68,120.10

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Max Total Administration \$ 142,420.10

#### Estimated Max \$ for Slot Max Additional Admin

Estimated Slot Breakout	<b>Electric Only</b>	Maintenance by County	(reimbursement)
Audubon	99	\$2,475	\$ 2,269.14
Daviess	1	\$25	•
Henderson	16	\$400	
McLean	13	\$325	
Ohio	26	\$650	
Union	29	\$725	
Webster	14	\$350	
Bell-Whitley	92	\$2,300	\$ 2,108.70
Bell	72	\$1,800	•
Whitley	20	\$500	
Bluegrass	444	\$11,100	\$ 10,176.76
Anderson	40	\$1,000	
Boyle	64	\$1,600	
Franklin	18	\$450	
Garrard	23	\$575	
Jessamine	29	\$725	
Lincoln	22	\$550	
Mercer	45	\$1,125	
Scott	131	\$3,275	
Woodford	72	\$1,800	
CAC	964	\$24,100	\$ 22,095.48
Bourbon	31	\$775	
Fayette	901	\$22,525	
Harrison	22	\$550	
Nicholas	10	\$250	
Central	210	\$5,250	\$ 4,813.33
Grayson	18	\$450	
Hardin	121	\$3,025	
Larue	18	\$450	
Marion	23	•	
Nelson	19	\$475	

<sup>\*</sup> Slots and Admin \$ are subject to change as described in the Contract and Exhibit E

Washington	11	\$275	
Daniel Boone	87	<b>\$2,175</b> \$	1,994.09
Clay	10	\$250	
Laurel	61	\$1,525	
Rockcastle	16	\$400	
Foothills	241	<b>\$6,025</b> \$	5,523.8
Clark	82	\$2,050	
Estill	16	\$400	
Madison	143	\$3,575	
Gateway	92	<b>\$2,300</b> \$	2,108.7
Bath	13	\$325	
Montgomery	50	\$1,250	
Rowan	29	\$725	
Harlan	71	<b>\$1,775</b> \$	1,627.3
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KCEOC	<b>18</b>	\$450 \$	412.5
Knox	18	\$450	
Lake Cumberland	134	<b>\$3,350</b> \$	3,071.3
Adair	14	\$350	
Casey	9	\$225	
Green	7	\$175	
McCreary	9	\$225	
Pulaski	56	\$1,400	
Russell	15	\$375	
Taylor	24	\$600	
Licking Valley	64	<b>\$1,600</b> \$	1,466.9
Bracken	14	\$350	
Fleming	11	\$275	
Mason	37	\$925	
Robertson	2	\$50	
Middle KY	4	<b>\$100</b> \$	91.6
Lee	4	\$100	
Mutli-Purpose	97	\$2,425 \$	2,223.3
Bullitt	4	\$100	
Shelby	81	\$2,025	
Spencer	12	\$300	
Northern KY	48	<b>\$1,200</b> \$	1,100.1
Campbell	3	\$75	
Carroll	20	\$500	
Gallatin	8	\$200	
Grant	1	\$25	
Owen	11	\$275	
Pendleton	5	\$125	
PACS	184	<b>\$4,600</b> \$	4,217.3
Caldwell	7	\$175	
Christian	5	\$125	
Crittenden	14	\$350	

Hopkins	66	\$1,650	
Livingston	3	\$75	
Lyon	14	\$350	
Muhlenberg	75	\$1,875	
Southern	27	\$675	\$ 618.86
Barren	7	\$175	
Edmonson	1	\$25	
Hart	19	\$475	
Tri-County	71	\$1,775	\$ 1,627.36
Henry	23	\$575	
Oldham	40	\$1,000	
Trimble	8	\$200	
West KY	25	\$625	\$ 573.02
Ballard	12	\$300	
Carlisle	1	\$25	
Fulton	1	\$25	
Graves	1	\$25	
Hickman	5	\$125	
McCracken	5	\$125	
Grand Total	2972	\$74,300	

## **KUHEASubcontract - WKAS**

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