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SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Administer Loans and Bond Guarantees Under the Coastal Energy Impact Program, Office of Coastal Zone Management

TO: Financial Management Centers

1. The Chief, Grant/Loan Operations Staff, Office of Coastal Zone Management, is hereby delegated authority for the following functions relating to the Coastal Energy Impact Program:

a. To establish and implement administrative controls and procedures for the processing and management of loans and bond guarantees.

b. To exercise "binding" authority for NOAA, co-signing documents with the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management, securing necessary clearances from the NOAA Office of General Counsel, the Department of Commerce, and other Federal departments and offices that may be involved.

c. To maintain liaison with other Federal agencies, State and local governments, regional organizations or governments, grantees, and the general public, through appropriate means including promulgations in the Federal Register.

2. Authority for the Coastal Energy Impact Program is derived as follows:

a. The Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 and that Act's Amendments of 1976 (Public Law 94-370) as they prescribe the Secretary of Commerce's functions relating to Coastal Zone Management Programs.

b. Department of Commerce Organization Order 25-5A as it delegates to the Administrator, with certain reservations, the Secretary of Commerce's authority and responsibilities for Coastal Zone Management.

c. Department of Commerce Organization Order 25-5B as it details delegations of authority and specific responsibilities vested in the Associate Administrator for Coastal Zone Management.


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