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Battelle Energy Alliance opens application process for two community programs

IDAHO FALLS — Battelle Energy Alliance, operator of Idaho National Laboratory, today announced the application period for its fiscal year 2014 charitable donation campaign and Technology-based Economic Development charity. The 2014 charitable donation campaign focuses on two programs, each with a distinct audience and aim. BEA is asking all requests for charitable donations related to each category be submitted by Sept. 15, 2013.

Fiscal Year 2014 Community Giving Campaign

Through the INL Community Giving program, BEA provides corporate-funded donations in selected areas including human services, health, environment, arts and civic projects.

"We recognize the needs in our community are growing, so our selection process is very difficult," said Amy Lientz, director of INL Communications and Governmental Affairs.

Since 2005, the program has provided support for a variety of outreach efforts with a positive impact the community.

"Our first priority for the Community Giving program this year will be to give to organizations that support the basic needs and education of children and the underprivileged," said Lori Priest, contributions administrator.

Technology-based Economic Development charitable donation campaign

The second program, INL Technology-based Economic Development program, targets projects aimed at spurring economic development, technology-based economic development, entrepreneurship and innovation in the region.

"High-impact projects that focus on connecting industry partners, universities, new business startups and economic development organizations in an effort to drive job growth and innovation in the region are at the top of our list to fund in 2014," said Stephanie Cook of INL's Technology Deployment team.

Application information and submission process for fiscal year 2014 Community Giving and Technology-based Economic Development charitable donation campaign

All requests for INL charitable donations need to be submitted on the 2014 donation request form by Sept. 15. Decisions about 2014 contributions will be made on or before Dec. 15. Notifications will be sent to requesting organizations informing them of funding awards. Funds will be for projects for the period of Oct. 1, 2013 to Sept. 30, 2014.

Eligibility criteria: Organizations must be 501(c)(3) nonprofit entities. A copy of the IRS tax-exempt letter must accompany the form. INL's charitable donation program does not fund political or religious organizations, emergency response, courtesy advertisements, athletic programs or events, individuals, contests or extracurricular school activities. This funding does not include requests for K-12 education donations.

For further information on educational funding requests, contact Brenda Greenhalgh at brenda.greenhalgh@inl.gov.

For full details on both programs, or to download the 2014 request for donation form, visit Idaho National Laboratory's website at <http://www.inl.gov>. From there, select the Community Outreach link on the left and scroll to view the Community Giving section or the Technology-based Economic Development section. Applications are due for consideration by Sept. 15. Applications submitted after Sept. 15 will not be included in the review process.

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