

FEDERAL REPORTING (SECTION 1512) DEFINITIONS

The scope of the information required in federal reports is limited. Of the total estimated \$10 billion that will pass through PA state government, less than half will be reported under Section 1512 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. This could cause confusion when comparing the total investments and jobs from all federal reports to the totals reported on Pennsylvania's Recovery website which cover all stimulus spending.

1. Sub Awards to Individuals – Provides information on individuals who receive an award to carry out a program, but does not include individuals that are beneficiaries of a program. Example: An individual who is the owner of a clinic that receives a sub award to provide H1N1 vaccinations would be included. An individual who gets the vaccination through the vaccine program is a beneficiary and would not be included.

2. Total Number and Amount of Payments to Vendors less than \$25,000/award – A vendor is defined as a dealer, distributor, merchant, or other seller providing goods or services that are required for the conduct of a Federal program.

The characteristics of a vendor that make it distinct from a sub-recipient are summarized below. A vendor:

- (1) Provides the goods and services within their normal business operations;
- (2) Provides similar goods or services to many different purchasers;
- (3) Operates in a competitive environment;
- (4) Provides goods or services that are ancillary to the operation of the Federal program; and
- (5) Is not required to enforce the compliance requirements of the Federal program.

3. Total Number and Amount of Sub Awards less than \$25,000/award – This field is not currently used. The Federal government has provided the option to report sub awards aggregated or disaggregated. If Sub Awards are reported aggregated then the number and amount of sub awards less than \$25,000 would be reported here. However, the commonwealth has decided to report each individual sub award in the 1512 Report. Because we have chosen to report on each award, the amounts reported in these fields will be zero.

4. Total Federal Amount of ARRA Expenditure – This is the total amount of expenditures that the commonwealth has incurred as of the report date. This includes all payments to subrecipients, vendors, and other expenditures related to the award.

5. Total Federal Amount of ARRA Funds Received/Invoiced – This is the total amount of money that the commonwealth has received from the federal

government as of the report date (September 30, 2009). This may be less than the amount expended due to the timing of invoicing the federal government for expenses we have incurred.

- 6. Total Federal ARRA Infrastructure Expenditure** – The federal agency defines whether a grant is infrastructure related or not. If the commonwealth has been instructed that a particular grant is infrastructure related, expenditures will be reported here. These numbers are a subset of the Total Federal Amount of ARRA Expenditure field.
- 7. Amount of Award** – This is the amount that the federal government has awarded to the commonwealth as of the reporting date. This is based on the official award letter received from the federal government. There are instances where the commonwealth is awarded a portion of the overall expected grant. In instances such as these, the federal government will issue a revised award letter at a later date. Due to timing differences with information reported on websites, the amount reported here may be more current than information provided by other sources.
- 8. Vendor Name** – This is the name of the vendor from our central accounting system. It may contain abbreviations or in other ways not be exactly the same name that is shown on the vendor's DUNS registration.