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SUBJECT: Revised Fiscal Year 2014 Port Security Grant Program Funding
Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

This IB clarifies and revises portions of the FY 2014 Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), which was released Tuesday, March 18, 2014. Specifically, eligible entities within Group I port areas may submit up to six (6) Investment Justifications (IJs) per application (increased from maximum of three). In addition, the FOA language is revised to clarify the application rules for entities that have facilities in multiple port areas. Lastly, the FOA is updated to correct an inconsistency in the language addressing the targeted allocation percentages for Group I and Group II ports.

To help ensure that PSGP funding will be directed to the highest risk ports and to projects that will most effectively buy down risk within those ports, applicants in Group I Port Areas may submit **up to six (6)** Investment Justifications (IJs) per application. Pages four (4), seven (7) and twenty-two (22) of the FOA have been updated to include this language. In addition, consistent with previous years' FOA guidance, applicants with facilities in multiple port areas may submit one application per port. Pages four (4) and seven (7) of the FOA have been updated to remove the word "only" and to add the words "per port". The page 7 excerpt reflecting this revision is provided below.

Eligibility Criteria

Only one application per eligible entity within each Port Area is permitted. Applicants with facilities in multiple port areas may submit one application **per port**. No single application should include

projects intended to be implemented in multiple ports. **Group I Port Area applicants may submit up to six IJs** within the single application and Group II Port Area applicants may submit up to three IJs within the single application. For a listing of eligible Port Areas, please refer to Appendix A – *FY 2014 PSGP Allocations*. **Eligibility does not guarantee grant funding.**

Finally, pages six (6), twenty-six (26), and thirty-one (31) of the FOA have been updated to reflect the correct targeted allocation percentages (see page 6 excerpt below).

Port Areas

Seven Port Areas were selected as Group I (highest risk) and will be allocated **55 percent** of funding available. Each Group I Port Area will compete for the target funding allocation assigned to the group. The legacy Group II, III, and All Other Port Areas are combined into a single Port Group known as Group II, which will receive the remaining **45 percent** of funds available. The amount of available funding for each group is based on the FY 2014 DHS risk analysis.

The PSGP FOA posted on the fema.gov/grants website and grants.gov website will be updated to reflect these changes. Any questions regarding this IB or other PSGP related issues may be directed to your FEMA Program Analyst (PA) or the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) at askcsid@dhs.gov or (800) 368-6498.