

National Brownfields Nonprofit Network Initiative

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Mr. David R. Lloyd
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR)
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Re: Brownfield RLF Grantee eligibility for Stimulus Funds

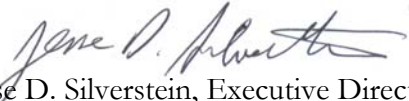
Dear Mr. Lloyd,

We are writing to reiterate our position regarding pending guidelines for eligibility of RLF grantees to apply for supplemental funding from the American Recovery and Revitalization Act.

We believe that the stimulus RLF funds would have the greatest potential for success if the EPA maintains the full discretion allowed by statute when determining which RLF grantees receive supplemental stimulus funds. **The stimulus funds should be available to all existing RLF grantees that can establish the existence of eligible, shovel-ready projects within their communities.** We believe that focusing on this central criterion will ensure that the stimulus funds allocated to the RLF program achieve maximum results in jobs created and brownfields returned to productive economic reuse.

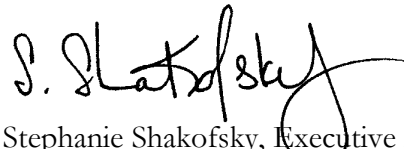
We appreciate your continued consideration of our recommendations. We are available, individually or as a group, to further discuss this recommendation at your request.

Respectfully submitted,


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