Project Title: C-09-05: Project Opportunity Notice for 2009
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Responsible Unit: Policy & Planning Division, Office of Policy, Planning &
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Project Goal:
Working in partnership with the NYS Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), a Project Opportunity Notice (PON) will be issued in the late summer soliciting research and demonstration projects. The goal of the $1,500,000 solicitation will be to develop and/or demonstrate strategies and/or enabling commercial technologies that have the potential of improving the energy efficiency of the existing multi-modal transportation system in New York State.

Actions Proposed:
An open solicitation will be issued for proposals which will help the Department address energy efficiency on significant NYS Transportation Corridors. The intent of this solicitation is to geographically cluster funded-projects into eligible transportation corridors where they can build on each other, exploit potential synergies, and provide a “showcase” of innovative transportation technologies. NYSERDA will contribute $500,000 of NYS statutory funding and provide all of the contracting, administrative and project management labor at no charge to the program. Additional co-funding will be required of the proposers, further leveraging the SPR funding.

Anticipated Work Products and Accomplishments:
It is anticipated that eight to ten unique research projects will be funded and three categories of projects will be eligible:
1. Policy Research and Feasibility Studies to develop and evaluate new strategies and policies for New York State. Also eligible are feasibility studies including, but not limited to preliminary studies such as conceptual design, technology and market assessments, that are necessary precursors to the development and commercialization of new products. Projects funded in this category will be limited to a maximum of $75,000.
2. Demonstrations of Underutilized Strategies and Policies that require only minor amounts of equipment and/or materials purchased for implementation. Funding for any project in this category will be limited to a maximum of $150,000.
3. Demonstrations of Underutilized Commercial Technologies that have not been previously deployed in New York State to any significant extent. Funding for any project in this category will be limited to a maximum of $300,000.

Proposed Budget: $1,000,000