

Ohio Sunset Review Committee Agency Questionnaire

Agency Name Coal Technical Advisory Committee

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Agency's primary purpose and its various goals and objectives

The Coal Technical Advisory Committee (Coal TAC) was created under section <u>1551.35</u> of the Ohio Revised Code. The purpose of the Coal TAC is to review the recommendations by the Office of Energy and Environment (OEE) within the Ohio Department of Development (Development) concerning the Ohio Coal Development Agenda and funding proposals under the Ohio Coal Research and Development Program (OCRD).

Article VIII section 15 of the Ohio Constitution authorizes the state to issue bonds for coal research and development. The OCRD Program provides funding for research at educational institutions and for pilot and demonstration projects at non-profit and for-profit businesses and scientific institutions. These programs seek proposals that maximize the use of Ohio coal in a cost-effective, innovative, and environmentally friendly manner.

Agency's past and anticipated workload, number of staff required to complete workload, and total number of staff

The Coal TAC typically meets every six months depending on the number of project requests for funding that are received under the OCRD Program. The OEE staff involved with the Coal Development Office totals one full-time position, employed by Development. The anticipated workload is expected to remain at the current level as new project applications continue to be solicited that will need to be reviewed by the Coal TAC.

Agency's past and anticipated budgets and its sources of funding

The source of funding for the OCRD Program is general obligation bonds through the capital budget, backed by the General Revenue Fund. Operating expenses are funded through the General Revenue Fund.

FY17/FY18 Capital (7046/C19505): \$12,461,747.67 FY17 Operating (GRF/195402): \$234,400.00 FY18 Operating (GRF/195402): \$227,368.00

FY19/FY20 Capital (7046/C19505): \$9,290,001.16

FY19 Operating (GRF/195402): \$233,963.17 (factors OBM increase to cover extra pay period and

unplanned COLA)

FY20 Operating (GRF/195402): \$227,368.00

FY21/FY22 Capital (7046/C19505): \$12,348,356.93

FY21 Operating (GRF/195402): \$152,368.00 (factors COVID-related Statewide GRF reduction)

FY22 Operating (GRF/195402): \$175,000.00

FY23/FY24 (Current) Capital (7046/C19505): \$12,278,790.32

FY23 Operating (GRF/195402): \$175,000.00

FY24 Operating (Current) (GRF/195402): \$150,000.00

Number of members of its governing board or other governing entity and their compensation, if any

Members of the Coal TAC are eligible to receive a paid per diem in addition to reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Since the Coal TAC moved to Development in 2011, Committee members have never requested per diem or reimbursement.

There are currently 8 active members on the Coal TAC.

Additional notes