

Commission's portion of the capital costs for improvements to and enlargement of sanitary sewage facilities and systems operated by the District of Columbia pursuant to agreements between the Commission, the District of Columbia, and the United States Government shall be deemed a project eligible for a State grant hereunder. All grants authorized or made hereunder shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) A State grant offer shall be made only for the construction of projects that meet the specifications required by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and all applicable State legislation and regulations, as amended from time to time.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) below, a State grant offer shall be made only for a project or part of a project on which a federal grant offer is made, and the State grant offer shall BE IN AN amount UP to one-half of the eligible cost remaining after the maximum Federal grant has been applied. In the case of a project to be operated by a State owned institution or facility, the State grant offer shall equal the total cost of the project less the amount of any Federal grant offer made therefor.

(3) The Board of Public Works is authorized, in its discretion and upon recommendation of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to approve a State grant not to exceed 87-1/2 percent of the eligible cost of a project or part of a project, if the Board finds (a) that the immediate initiation or continuation of the project is critical to the public health or to compliance with water quality standards of the State, and (b) that a timely and sufficient Federal grant is not available for the project or part of a project. In approving such grants, the Board of Public Works shall make all reasonable efforts not to jeopardize Federal grants for the remaining part of the projects.

(4) The Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall report on or before January 1 of each year to the Governor and the General Assembly on the status of Bond Funds for the construction of sewerage facilities under this and previous Bond Authorization Acts. His report shall indicate funds expended, funds committed, and funds remaining; and a list of projects for which funds have been expended and are committed. It shall also contain his projection of projects to be constructed for the following two years for which grants are anticipated.