

PART V. PREMIUMS AND FEES.

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(A) THE AUTHORITY MAY, IN ITS SOLE AND ABSOLUTE DISCRETION, SET THE PREMIUMS AND FEES TO BE PAID TO IT FOR PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE PREMIUMS AND FEES SET BY THE AUTHORITY SHALL BE PAYABLE IN THE AMOUNTS, AT THE TIME AND IN THE MANNER THAT THE AUTHORITY, IN ITS SOLE AND ABSOLUTE DISCRETION, REQUIRES.

(C) THE PREMIUMS AND FEES NEED NOT BE UNIFORM AMONG TRANSACTIONS, AND MAY VARY IN AMOUNT:

(1) AMONG TRANSACTIONS; AND

(2) AT DIFFERENT STAGES DURING THE TERMS OF TRANSACTIONS.

(D) A DETERMINATION BY THE AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PART V, SHALL REMAIN EFFECTIVE THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD DURING WHICH THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THE AUTHORITY IS IN EFFECT.

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(A) IN GENERAL. - THE AUTHORITY MAY NOT CHARGE ANY PREMIUM FOR INSURANCE IF THE AUTHORITY DETERMINES THAT AT THE TIME OF APPROVAL OF INSURANCE, THE FACILITY, ENERGY PROJECT, OR BUSINESS WITH RESPECT TO WHICH INSURANCE IS PROVIDED BY THE AUTHORITY IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY WHERE THE AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS AT LEAST 1 PERCENT GREATER THAN THE AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THE UNITED STATES, AS DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(B) STANDARDS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT RATES. -

(1) AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FOR A COUNTY SHALL BE THOSE ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ADMINISTRATION OR ANY OTHER AGENCY OR INSTRUMENTALITY RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING THE RATES.

(2) AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FOR THE UNITED STATES SHALL BE THOSE ESTABLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OR ANY OTHER AGENCY OR DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING THE RATES.

(C) REVIEW OF RATES. - THE AUTHORITY SHALL:

(1) ANNUALLY REVIEW THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES; AND

(2) ONLY CONSIDER ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ESTABLISHED NOT MORE THAN 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE AUTHORITY'S REVIEW.