261—404.3(15) Eligibility.

404.3(1) *Eligible applicants.* Eligible applicants include Iowa businesses, colleges and universities, and private nonprofit agencies and foundations.

404.3(2) Applications with subrecipients. Any eligible applicant may submit an application that includes one or more subrecipients. The amount of an award that a subrecipient can receive is set forth in the policies and procedures.

404.3(3) *Joint applications.* Any eligible applicant may apply individually or jointly with another eligible applicant or other eligible applicants.

404.3(4) *Restrictions on applicants.* A principal investigator will be allowed to submit one application per funding announcement. An applicant who has submitted an application as the principal investigator for a funding announcement may also be named as a co-investigator on additional applications submitted for the same funding announcement, provided the applicant is not the principal investigator on any additional applications.

404.3(5) *Eligible projects.* Requirements for IEC grant awards include but are not limited to the following:

a. Applicants shall demonstrate a benefit for ratepayers.

b. Applicants shall demonstrate that they are eligible candidates.

c. Applicants shall demonstrate the capacity for grants administration.

d. Applicants who have previously received Iowa energy center awards shall have demonstrated acceptable past performance, including the timely expenditure of funds.

e. Applications shall demonstrate the feasibility of completing the proposed activities with the funds requested.

f. Applications shall identify and describe any other sources of funding for the proposed activities.

404.3(6) Ineligible projects. The following types of projects are ineligible for an award:

- *a.* Relocation of a business.
- b. Expansion of a business.
- c. Funding for existing training programs.
- d. Private asset development.
- e. Pipeline, transmission line, and distribution line construction.
- *f.* First generation ethanol.
- g. Cellulosic ethanol.

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