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# Quarterly Report – January 2008 - March 2008 STATE INOVATION GRANT PROGRAM (SIG)

# A. PROJECT TITLE: MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL RESULTS PROGRAM (MERP) – DRY CLEANING SECTOR

## **B. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

**Lead Agency:** 

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#### **Geographic Focus:**

Michigan - Statewide

C. FUNDING REQUESTED: \$199,200

**D. PROJECT PERIOD:** January 2005 through December 2008

#### I Synopsis of Accomplishments During the Reporting Period

A summary of relevant project milestone/tasks considered to be ongoing and completed during the 1st quarter of 2008 (Jan 1 – March 31) are presented below.

Milestone/Task	Status	Completion Date	Comments
Development of ERP software tool Develop and implement an approach to cost-effectively input and manage the MERP data, including primary and secondary data. Primary data consists of data from inspection reports and facility forms (including selfcertification forms). Secondary data sources include lists of facilities from regulatory and private-sector databases.	Ongoing	Original 10/2006 Projected 6/2008	MDEQ continues to do extensive testing on software system. New completion date is June 2008. We will need to have software working to use when collecting post certification inspections from June – October.
Post-Certification Inspections  Facilities selected at random from the entire universe of facilities, based upon sample design from statistical methodology.	On- Going	10/2008	Sampling list was developed in December 2007. We are waiting unit June 2008 to conduct the inspections on the 250 facilities selected.

#### **II Narrative Discussion**

The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2008 consisted of very little activity due to the fact that we decided to wait to conduct the post-certification inspections until June 2008. The majority of time spent on this project consisted of testing the software that is being developed by our contractor. Several major issues have been resolved with the system and we are hopeful that we will have a working database system and inspection tool available for the post-certification inspections starting in June.

The original project end date for this grant was March 31, 2008; however, due to unanticipated delays experienced in developing the software system and the decision to delay post certification inspections until June of 2008 it was necessary for us to apply for a non-monetary extension to our grant. We applied for the extension in January and the grant extension was approved on March 14, 2008. The project end date is now December 31, 2008.

III Projection of Activities, Accomplishments, and Major expenditures for Next Quarter Report Since we are delaying the post-certification inspections until June 2008 the only activity we anticipate to occur in the second quarter of 2008 (April 1 – June 30) is continued testing and completion of the software tool. We will also prepare for and begin post certification inspections on June 1.

## **IV** Financial Summary

The table on page 4 provides a summary of the total expenditures to-date. Very little financial activity occurred during this quarter since no payments were made to the contractor developing the software. All funds expended went to salary and fringe benefits.

As of 3/31/08, \$249,530.76 or 83% of the total funds available for this project have been spent. We have met the state match requirement of \$100,000 (34% of the total funding).

# DETAILED ITEMIZED BUDGET: MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BUDGET DETAIL 01/01/05 - 03/31/08

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