

State Trade and Export Promotion (Pilot) Grant Program
Program Announcement # OIT-STEP-2011-01

M O D I F I C A T I O N # 1

(A 3-year pilot program to provide grants to states to carry-out export programs that assist eligible small business concerns)

- The **CLOSING DATE** extended to **May 10, 2011**.
- Section III C. 4, **INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS FOR THIS COOPERATION AGREEMENT**, (p.8), Add: *[Note: An applicant will not be considered a pass-through if it is an agency or instrumentality of the government of a State (i.e., is subject to the unilateral control of the State) or if it has been officially designated by a State as being the sole entity responsible for conducting the State's trade and export activities prior to the date of application submission for a STEP grant.]*
- Section IV A. 1, Governor's Letter of Endorsement for Applications, (p. 8), Add: *If, prior to applying for the STEP grant, a state has designated another agency or instrumentality to have unilateral control of conducting the state's trade export activities, the Letter of Endorsement must: (a) provide the name of the agency or instrumentality, (b) confirm that the organization will be responsible for conducting the grant activities; and (c) confirm that the state has legal authority and fiduciary responsibility for the grant.*
- **Appendix 1** (pp. 24 - 25) has been updated based on the latest data available from the U.S Department of Commerce.