

Environmental Protection Agency

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under the fellowship agreement, you must comply with the Fly America Act. In accordance with that Act, you must travel on U.S. air carriers certificated under 49 U.S.C. 1371, to the extent that such carriers provide service, even if the foreign air carrier costs less than the American air carrier.

§ 46.150 Request for applications.

EPA generally requests fellowship applications through electronic and printed announcements or other means designed to inform potential applicants.

§ 46.155 Submission of applications.

The request for applications or program announcement will advise you how to file an application and what information you must include. You must submit applications for fellowships on EPA's "Fellowship Application" (EPA Form 5770-2) or in any other form EPA designates. EPA will provide instructions for completing the application. You must submit the original and two copies of the application unless the instructions require otherwise. Alternatively, EPA may allow you to submit applications electronically. It is also likely that EPA will require you to submit undergraduate and graduate transcripts to the office identified in the request for applications or program announcement.

§ 46.160 Evaluation of applications.

EPA will evaluate your application based on criteria identified in the request for applications or program announcement. Evaluation criteria may include:

(a) The relevance of your proposed studies to EPA's mission.

(b) Your potential for success, as reflected by your academic record, letters of reference, and any other available information.

(c) The availability of EPA funds.

§ 46.165 Notification.

If EPA does not select you to receive a fellowship, we generally will notify you within 60 days after final selections are made. If you are a successful applicant, EPA will send you a fellowship agreement in accordance with § 46.170.

Subpart C—Award

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§ 46.170 Fellowship agreement.

(a) The "Fellowship Agreement" (EPA Form 5770-8) is the written agreement, including amendments, between EPA and you. The fellowship agreement will state the amount of Federal funds awarded and the terms and conditions governing the fellowship.

(b) The EPA award official may approve any pre-award costs you incurred, if determined appropriate by the award official. You incur pre-award costs at your own risk (see also § 46.195).

§ 46.175 Terms and conditions.

(a) If EPA awards you a fellowship on the basis of a nomination by your current or prospective state, local or Tribal government employer, by accepting the fellowship agreement you agree to remain in the employment of the state, local, or Tribal employer for twice the period of the fellowship. If you fail to meet this obligation, EPA may, after consultation with your employer or prospective employer, require you to repay the amount of the fellowship.

(b) You must submit a copy of your transcript to the EPA project officer after the completion of each year of the fellowship, if required by the fellowship agreement. You must also submit copies of any publications and other products from the research, if required.

(c) EPA may require you to provide various performance reports under your fellowship, but we will not require reports more frequently than quarterly. At the end of the fellowship, you must submit a final report and other documentation, if required in the fellowship agreement.

§ 46.180 Acceptance of fellowship award.

You must accept your fellowship by signing and returning the EPA award form (EPA Form 5770-8) to the EPA award official within three weeks after receipt, or within an extension of time approved by the award official. If you do not sign and return the Fellowship