



Rochelle Municipal Utilities
RMU Business

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RE: Acceptance of DEED Internship Grant

RP3 is American Public Power Association's reliability certification of a Utility's level of commitment to reliability, safety, education and system improvements. As part of RMU's plan to gain a Platinum level RP3 certification in 2014, RMU has joined APPA's DEED Research Section (Demonstration of Energy & Efficiency Development).

As part of this membership RMU can apply for grants for introduction of new methodologies.

RMU applied for a grant for \$ 4000 for a scholarship in the form of an internship. This grant was awarded by DEED on November 26th.

The grant will be used for GIS implementation in Customer Service. Intern will work with Customer Service and Engineering departments in the area of GIS mapping and attribute management of e.g. electrical and water meter data for optimization of meter replacement tactics and meter read route management for resource efficiency.

RMU has a strong contact with NIU's Geo Info Systems Department and have several candidates that will be a fit for this internship.

I recommend Council approve acceptance of the grant.