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Solar Energy Technologies Program

# Recovery Act – Solar Market Transformation Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) DE-FOA-0000078

## Helpful Tips for Downloading The Announcement and Application Package in FedConnect

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# Basic Information

- Title: Recovery Act – Solar Market Transformation
- Announcement Number: **DE-FOA-0000078**
- Announcement Issued: May 28, 2009
- Closing Date for All Applicants: July 30, 2009

## Description of Announcement

The objectives of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) are to:

- 1) Address current market barriers to the adoption of solar technologies; and
- 2) Establish a nationally coordinated effort to spread solar installation training to the local level.

## Eligibility For Topic 1:

**In accordance with 10 CFR 600.6(b) eligibility for award is restricted to the existing 25 Solar America Cities awarded under the FY07 Solar City Strategic Partnerships Funding Opportunity Announcement DE-PS36-07GO97007 and the FY08 Solar City Strategic Partnerships Funding Opportunity Announcement DE-PS36-08GO98003.**

**These cities are:**

**Ann Arbor, Michigan; Austin, Texas; Berkeley, California; Boston, Massachusetts; Denver, Colorado; Houston, Texas; Knoxville, Tennessee; Madison, Wisconsin; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Minneapolis - St. Paul, Minnesota; New Orleans, Louisiana; New York, New York; Orlando, Florida; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Portland, Oregon; Sacramento, California; Salt Lake City, Utah; San Antonio, Texas; San Diego, California; San Francisco, California; San Jose, California; Santa Rosa, California; Seattle, Washington; and Tucson, Arizona.**

## Eligibility Topic 2, Categories 1 & 2 :

Topic 2 is open to all domestic entities or institutions

## Registration Requirements

- Applicants must obtain a DUNS number at [www.dnb.com/US/duns\\_update/](http://www.dnb.com/US/duns_update/)
- Applicants must register with CCR at [www.ccr.gov](http://www.ccr.gov)
- Applicants must register with FedConnect to submit questions or to submit an application at [www.fedconnect.net](http://www.fedconnect.net)
- Applicants who are not registered with CCR and FedConnect should allow at least 21 days to complete these requirements. Start this process as soon as possible.
- Utilize the FedConnect Quick Start Guide at: [https://www.fedconnect.net/Fedconnect/PublicPages/FedConnect\\_Ready\\_Set\\_Go.pdf](https://www.fedconnect.net/Fedconnect/PublicPages/FedConnect_Ready_Set_Go.pdf) to assist you.

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## Frequently Asked Questions\*

- Do I access the FOA and apply at Grants.gov or at FedConnect.net?
  - Download the FOA at FedConnect.net, which is the only site that the FOA is posted.
  - Only those entities that have a system-to-system interface with grants.gov may submit an application via grants.gov (i.e., Universities). All other applicants must submit via FedConnect.
- What do I need to do at Grants.gov?
  - Grants.gov is where you may find a brief synopses of grant opportunities and provides a link to FedConnect, in which you will have to perform a search in FedConnect to locate the FOA.
  - Previously, DOE received all applications via grants.gov; however, due to increased activity and related problems, DOE is currently posting all funding opportunity announcements and accepting applications at [www.Fedconnect.net](http://www.Fedconnect.net)

**\*Other questions can be submitted to the FedConnect Website**

# Finding the FOA

## Finding the FOA in FedConnect

On the main page, click on **Search Public Opportunities**.

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## Finding the FOA in FedConnect

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## Finding the FOA in FedConnect

Click on Recovery Act: Solar Market Transformation to access the FOA and all attachments.

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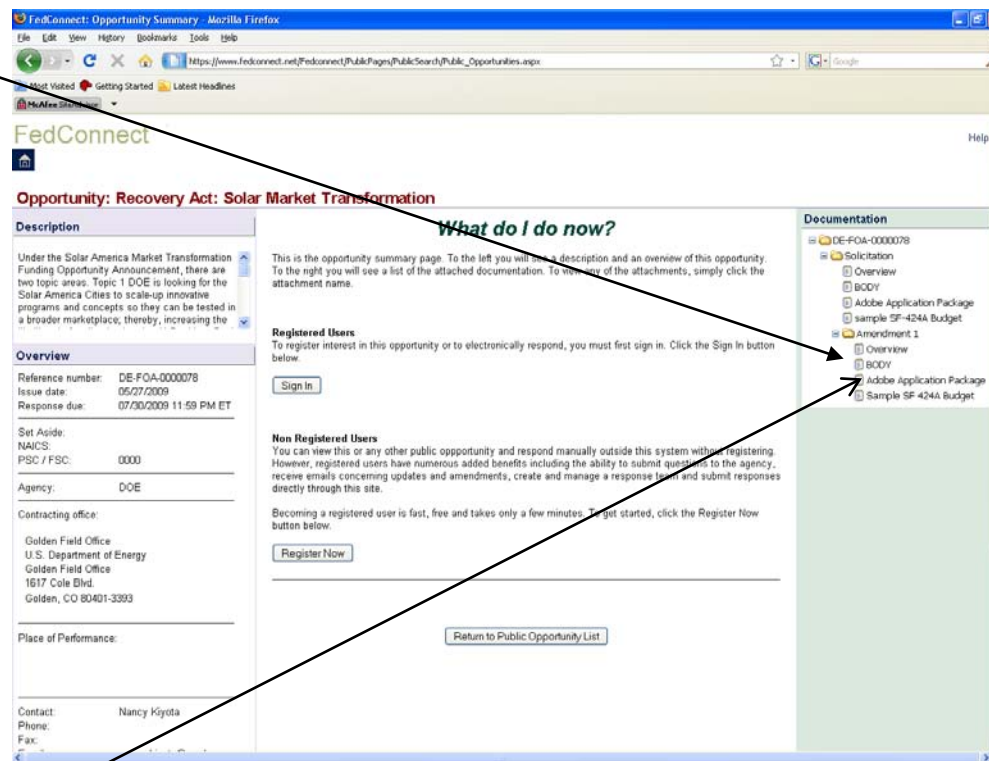
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## Finding the FOA in FedConnect

Click on BODY under the most recent Amendment to view the announcement.



Click on "Adobe Application Package" to download the application

# Completing the Adobe Application Package

1. Copy the Adobe Application Package to your desktop
2. Open the Application Package and complete the SF424 (leave it open) and the other required forms, (Instructions on how to open and complete forms are included on the bottom of the page)

**NOTE: The SF424 and Place of Performance forms are mandatory. Other attachments required for the Funding Opportunity are listed in Part IV of the Announcement. Name the files as indicated in Part IV of the Announcement.**

3. Once the file is complete save it to your desktop and then click on the “Add Attachments” button on the bottom of page 2 of the SF424 to add the files to your application.
4. Once all completed files have been attached within the Adobe Application Package, save the package to your desktop and then submit it to FedConnect. Instructions for doing this can be found in the FedConnect Quick Start Guide  
at:[https://www.fedconnect.net/Fedconnect/PublicPages/FedConnect\\_Ready\\_Set\\_Go.pdf](https://www.fedconnect.net/Fedconnect/PublicPages/FedConnect_Ready_Set_Go.pdf)

**NOTE: Do not use the “Save and Submit” button in the Adobe Application Package after completing forms. This is for uploading to Grants.gov only. Applications for this FOA will go through FedConnect.**

## Further Questions?

- For questions regarding the content or application process of the FOA, please submit via FedConnect, as indicated in the Announcement. You must be registered in FedConnect, prior to submitting a question.
- Register as an Interested Party in FedConnect to receive email notifications of changes to this announcement. These notifications will be sent to a FedConnect Inbox setup for you once you register.

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