

**State Grant Certification – For Non-Governmental Grantees
Conflict of Interest**

[Date of Certification (mmddyyyy)]

To: N. C. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Certification:

I certify that **[insert your company name]**, as the recipient of this Grant Contract, does not have a Conflict of Interest as defined as an actual or perceived interest by a staff member and/or employee and/or Board member in an action that results in, or has the appearance of resulting in, personal, organizational, or professional gain as defined by North Carolina G.S. 143-6.2 (b1).

Should a conflict of interest arise involving the grantee's management employees and/or the members of its board of directors and/or other governing body, **[insert your company name]**, shall address the situation in the following manner:

[insert your rules or procedures for addressing the conflict of interest]

I further understand that a false statement made is in violation of North Carolina G.S. 143-6.2(b1¹) and such false statement would be a criminal offense punishable as provided by North Carolina G.S. 143-34(b).

Sworn Statement:

I, **[Name of Authorizing Official]** of **[insert your company name]** of **[City]** in the State of **[Name of State]** also acknowledge and understand that any misuse of state funds will be reported to the appropriate authorities for further action.

[Name of Authorizing Official]

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day of the date of said certification.

(Notary Signature and Seal)

My Commission Expires: _____

¹ N.C. General Statute 143.6.2(b)(b1) – Conflict of Interest – Every grantee shall file with the State agency or department disbursing funds to the grantee, a copy of that grantee's policy addressing conflicts of interest that may arise involving the grantee's management employees or the members of its board of directors or other governing body. The policy shall address situations in which any of these individuals may directly or indirectly benefit, except as the grantee's employees or members of its board or other governing body, from the grantee's disbursing of State funds and shall include actions to be taken by the grantee or the individual, or both to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of impropriety. The policy shall be filed before the disbursing State department or agency may disburse the grant funds.