Kershaw County – GE Appliances – Project Sweeper

Project Summary: CDBG is to repurpose the existing manufacturing building regarding the restrooms, IT upgrades, Office and floor refurbishment, roof, AC/power system repair and upgrades, improve the security-related improvements such as the guard shack, truck access gate, fencing, and turnstiles, and the constructing of concrete pad for the improvement of the WW system and the cyclopentane tank.

Grant Number: 4-ED-20-002

Acronyms/Abbreviations:

CDBG - Community Development Block Grants NTP – notice to proceed DHEC - SC Dept of Health and Environmental Controls RIA – SC Rural Infrastructure Authority EDA - US Economic Development Administration WWTP – Wastewater Treatment Plant ERR - environment review record YTD – year-to-date HUD - US Dept of Housing and Urban Development

Key Points:

Date	Comments
9-03-2021	GE Appliances (Project Sweeper) is a project totaling \$ 58,050,000, \$3,550,000 are CDBG funds. The grant is to promote Economic Development in Kershaw County and to bring in more jobs for the community. The award date of the fund was October 7, 2020. The Grant Period is from October 2020 to October 2022. The purpose of this grant was to repurpose the existing manufacturing building regarding the restrooms, IT upgrades, Office and floor refurbishment, roof, AC/power system repair and upgrades, improve the security-related improvements such as the guard shack, truck access gate, fencing, and turnstiles, and the constructing of concrete pad for the improvement of the WW system and the cyclopentane tank.
	The CDBG Funding Proposal Project Information has been signed as of July 14, 2020. The Department of Commerce will reach out to Santee-Lynches regarding moving forward with this project. Santee-Lynches has submitted the application and the startup list, and the environment has been approved and cleared.
9-23-2021	Received an email from Azad Khan about the GE Appliance project. We will be meeting with SCDOC about CDBG compliance and doing a site tour on 10-15-2021.
10-15-2021	Sylvia Frierson, Tammy Smith, and Chrissy Childers from Government Services at Santee Lynches went to the GE Appliance plant walk-through. They met with Eric Criss, director of GE Appliances, also in attendance was Jeff Burgess from Kershaw County, Azad Khan from ParkerPoe Consulting, and Nate Foutch from the Department of Commerce. The project is hoped to be completed by February 2022. Pictures of the machines and the plant have been downloaded to SharePoint. The meeting with GE Appliances HR representative to discuss the Applicant/Employee Information will have to be rescheduled due to the illness of the HR representative.

11-16-2021	Sylvia Frierson, Tammy Smith, and Chrissy Childers from Government Services at Santee Lynches had a meeting with Teresa Justice from the GE Appliances plant in Kershaw County regarding the Employee Information Sheets. Other individuals within the meeting were Nate Foutch from the Department of Commerce, and Eric Criss, director of GE Appliances, and Frank Sheffel from GE. The sheets state that at least 51% of the 160 new jobs must be LMI, per HUD standards. Once the employees are hired, Teresa Justice from GE will start sending the Employee Information Sheets to Santee Lynches quarterly, to be documented. Minutes were recorded from the meeting.
5-11-2022	SLCOG went to GE Haier Camden Plant for their Grand Opening. Pictures of the Grand Opening is on SharePoint.