



# Wyandot County

Building a Stronger Community

## Economic Development

### Third Frontier - Fuel Cell Program

#### Program Goals:

Accelerate the development and growth of the fuel cell industry in Ohio by direct financial support to organizations.

**General Objectives:** Discovery of new knowledge having specific commercial objectives for new products, processes, or services; commercialize new products, manufacturing processes, or technologies, or adapt or modify existing components or systems to reduce cost or address other barriers; demonstrate market readiness.

**Specific objectives:** Meet a recognized and specific need, achieve cost and performance standards necessary for commercial applications, significant employment in Ohio within 5 years, secure additional financial resources, demonstrate a commercial prototype or actually enter the market, Market Readiness Demonstration Projects

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Fuel Cell Program</b>
<b>Year:</b>	FY2009
<b>Issuer:</b>	Ohio Third Frontier Commission
<b>Administrator:</b>	ODOD Technology and Innovation Division
<b>Total Funds:</b>	\$11 million
<b>Award Size:</b>	\$250,000 to \$1 million
<b>Work Period:</b>	2 years
<b>Grant / Loan:</b>	Grant

#### Eligibility Criteria:

Lead Applicant: Ohio organization, for-profit, not-for-profit, government research institute, public body, educational institution, or Out-of-state for-profit company that pledges to locate within Ohio

#### Evaluation Criteria

##### Project Types:

- Meet a recognized, specific fuel cell need. Preference for 2nd and 3rd generation fuel cell technologies
- Develop/commercialize products, processes, or technologies reduce the cost of fuel cells or commercialization barriers. Materials, components, instrumentation, controls, sensors, and systems
- Modifying components/systems produced in Ohio to reduce cost or address tech. or comm.. barriers
- Demonstration projects in Ohio that maximize incorporation of Ohio components into fuel cell systems.

**Technology Choice:** No particular fuel cell technology is favored over another. Will follow guidance from federal priorities. Lead Applicant to provide convincing, and externally validated evidence that an alternative proposed technology can meet government and industry standards for cost and performance.

**Cost share requirement** - one dollar for every two dollars of State Grant Funds requested

**Criteria Priority:** The following criteria have the highest relevance and weighting for the TFFCP: Level of Scientific Merit; Alignment of the Proposal with the goals of Section 3.2 of this RFP; Quality of responses to the requirements of this RFP; Compliance with this RFP; Past Performance (if applicable)



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