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Ohio Coal Development Office Issues Request for Proposal*Projects to focus on improving the efficiency of Ohio coal*

COLUMBUS – The Ohio Coal Development Office (OCDO) has issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for project proposals focused on the clean use of Ohio coals. The OCDO invests in the development and implementation of technologies that can use Ohio's vast reserves of coal in an economical, environmentally sound manner.

Qualified projects will create a cleaner, more economical and great use of Ohio coal and/or its combustion. Funds awarded through the RFP will be for projects located and/or work conducted in Ohio that uses Ohio-mined coal.

Projects are identified through public solicitations and may include technologies that improve combustion efficiencies, remove various pollutants from emissions, develop productive uses for the by-products of combustion, and investigate new uses for coal as a feedstock.

For more information about the Request for Proposal call (614) 466-6797 or visit <http://development.ohio.gov/Energy/Incentives/OhioCoalDevelopmentOffice.htm>.

*The **Office of Energy** works to grow the economy of the state by connecting companies and communities to financial and technical resources to increase energy efficiency and deploy advanced energy technologies.*

*Working with our partners across business, state and local governments, academia, and the nonprofit sector, the **Ohio Department of Development** works to support business attraction and retention efforts by providing targeted investments that assist in job creation, as well as provides assistance and services to Ohio's communities and individuals. Engaged every day in marketing, innovating, investing, and collaborating, the **Ohio Department of Development** works to accelerate and support the teamwork that is necessary for success by providing financial, informational, and technical assistance to those making an investment in Ohio's future.*

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