**Felony and Tax Certification**

**Proposal number #: ( insert proposal #)**

The following language is in sections 738 and 739 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012 (P.L. 112-55).

Section 738 (Felony Provision)

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enter into a contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative agreement with, make a grant to, or provide a loan or loan guarantee to any corporation that was convicted (or had an officer or agency of such corporation acting on behalf of the corporation convicted) of a felony criminal violation under any Federal or State law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless the agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation, or such officer or agent, and made a determination that this further action is not necessary to protect the interest of the Government.

Section 739 (Tax Delinquency Provision)

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enter into a contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative agreement with, make a grant to, or provide a loan or loan guarantee to, any corporation that [has] any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless the agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this further action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

\_\_\_Montana State University\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ is not \_\_X\_\_ an entity that has filed articles of incorporation in one of the fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa.

**For those applicants who are a corporation, by completing and submitting the information below, the applicant corporation is providing the following certification regarding the provisions mentioned above:**

By submitting this application, the undersigned attests that \_\_\_Montana State University\_\_ has not been convicted of a felony criminal violation under Federal or State law in the 24 months preceding the date of signature, nor has any officer or agent of \_\_\_Montana State University\_\_ been convicted of a felony criminal violation under Federal or State law in the 24 months preceding the date of signature.

By submitting this application, the undersigned attests that \_\_\_Montana State University\_\_ does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

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Signature of Authorized Representative Date

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Print name and title of Authorized Representative

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