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- 19 the requirements of the Pollution Control Agency independent
- 20 grant program rules in chapter 7075 in order to receive the
- 21 required certification of the commissioner of the agency before
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- 23 application.
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- 27 determine if the municipality has demonstrated in its complete
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- 35 commissioner of the agency.

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- 11 forms provided by the division which require information
- 12 prescribed by the agency rules.
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- 2 rejection of the funding request by the authority.
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- 4 request for financial assistance may be rejected by the
- 5 authority for the following reasons:
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- 7 project-required funding commitments have been secured, as
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- 12 7380.0580 AWARD OF GRANTS AND LOANS.
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- 15 complete application by the authority, the authority shall make
- 16 the award and notify the municipality that it is to receive a
- 17 grant or loan and prepare and advise the municipality of the
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