<u>Section 608 – American Iron and Steel</u> <u>Provisions</u> – The state certifies that it will require American Iron and Steel products to be utilized for all treatment works projects receiving assistance from the Clean Water SRF, as applicable.

CRITERIA AND METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

The Clean Water SRF funds are distributed using the following criteria:

- 1. the availability of funds in the Clean Water SRF program;
- 2. the applicant's need;
- 3. violation of health and safety standards; and
- 4. the applicant's ability to repay.

The methods and criteria used are designed to provide the maximum flexibility and assistance that is affordable to the borrower while providing for the long-term viability of the fund.

Public Review and Comment – On May 25, 1988, a public hearing was held to review the initial Clean Water SRF rules and to receive comments. The Board of Water and Natural Resources approved the rules following the hearing. Revisions to the Clean Water SRF rules have been made periodically to reflect the needs of the program.

A formal public hearing was held for the South Dakota FFY 2019 Clean Water SRF Intended Use Plan on November 8, 2018.