This worksheet previews the twelve questions required for the ARC POWER 2018 Technical Assistance Application. As per the POWER 2018 Initiative Request for Proposals, the narrative section of this application is limited to 10 pages, not including budget and other supporting documents. Anticipated range for technical assistance awards is $25,000–$100,000. Technical assistance funding will not be available for direct grant writing support.

Describe Impacts – Describe the coal impacts on the region to be assisted by this technical assistance proposal (cite available third-party data).

**Tip:** In this section, describe how the proposed technical assistance activity is directly related to the impact the changing coal economy is having on communities and their economies. This may include, but not be limited to, employment or economic changes anywhere along the coal supply chain. Third party documentation is required to verify coal impacts.

Identify type of assistance requested.

**Tip:** Choose one category of technical assistance requested: feasibility or assessment; strategic plan (new or updated); community capacity building; or other (please specify).

Community Challenges – Describe the challenges your community faces as a result of the downturn in the coal economy and any steps already taken to meet those challenges.

**Tip:** In this section, describe efforts currently underway to address the economic changes occurring due to the changes in the coal related economy and specific efforts already underway at the local level to address these challenges.

How Challenges Addressed – Describe how the requested technical assistance will help address the challenges faced by the downturn in the coal economy.

**Tip:** In this section, describe how the proposed technical assistance activity will directly help the service area address current challenges associated with the changing coal economy.

Activities/Timeline – Describe the major technical assistance project activities/scope of work and the timeline for the completion of those activities.

**Tip:** In this section, include timelines and project due dates for any deliverables described in the technical assistance request.

Lead Stakeholders – Identify who will supervise or be responsible for the major technical assistance project activities/scope of work (and any consultants or outside organizations that will assist you in completing these activities).

**Tip:** In this section, list relevant professional information for managers or consultants involved in this technical assistance activity.
Impact on plans – Explain how this project represents progress toward addressing an existing or emerging regional planning or development efforts.

**Tip:** In this section, describe how this technical assistance activity interacts within priorities outlined in existing regional planning or development efforts in a strategic, collaborative, impactful manner.

Positive Benefits – Describe positive benefits likely to result from this project.

**Tip:** In this section, outline how this technical assistance activity—including outputs, outcomes or other quantifiable measures—will make an added contribution to the proposed service area.

Project Partners – Identify the partners to be involved with planning and implementing the proposed project, such as public agencies and institutions, non-governmental organizations, foundations, businesses and local elected officials. Describe any collaborative planning efforts utilized to plan or execute the proposed project.

**Tip:** In this section, list all relevant partners and collaborators proposed to work in the technical assistance activity.

Path to Full POWER Application – Describe how this project will lead to the development of a full application for a POWER Initiative Implementation Grant.

**Tip:** In this section, describe how any direct outcomes from this technical assistance activity may contribute or inform a project suitable for a future POWER implementation grant request.

Budget Narrative – Describe the project’s major budget categories explaining how these budget elements support the project’s objectives, including any in-kind activities. (Note: You do not have to address detailed budget line items in this section since all line items must be identified on the POWER Technical Assistance Budget Form, in the next section.)

**Tip:** In this section, describe how the proposed budget categories will support the final outcomes of this technical assistance activity. This narrative supplements the actual budget request, which will be submitted via the POWER Technical Assistance Form.

TA Providers – Identify the person or persons who will carry out the work of the project (including the consultant, or consultant team, if known) and the qualifications of the individuals performing the work. Please describe the competitive process used for selecting any consultant.

**Tip:** In this section, submit the names, titles and distinct qualifications and skills of the individuals (including any or all consultants) who will be executing this technical assistance activity. Describe the process by which these individuals were identified and selected for this project.