Regional Governance Committee (RGC)

CRITERIA FOR IDENTIFYING
"MATTERS OF METROPOLITAN CONCERN"

1. Whether performance at the regional level is required to conduct the function at all;

2. Whether performance at the regional level is required by state or federal governments, or to be eligible for state or federal funding;

3. Whether performance at the regional level can be documented to be the most effective way to execute a function;

4. Whether performance at the regional level can be documented to result in reductions in the costs of performing a function;

5. Whether performance at the regional level is needed to equitably distribute the costs and/or benefits of a function;

6. Whether performance at the regional level can be responsive to the diversity of the region's population; and

7. Whether performance at the regional level can be provided while maintaining or enhancing the accessibility and accountability of government.

CRITERIA FOR POTENTIAL ASSIGNMENT
OF FUNCTIONS TO REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

I   WHETHER PERFORMANCE AT REGIONAL LEVEL IS REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT FUNCTION AT ALL

II   WHETHER PERFORMANCE AT REGIONAL LEVEL IS REQUIRED BY STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS

III   WHETHER PERFORMANCE AT REGIONAL LEVEL IS REQUIRED FOR REGIONAL OR·LOCAL FUNDING ELIGIBILITY

IV   WHETHER IMPACTS OF THE FUNCTION EXTEND BEYOND ONE JURISDICTION

V   WHETHER BENEFITS OF THE FUNCTION EXTEND BEYOND ONE JURISDICTION

VI   WHETHER PERFORMANCE AT REGIONAL LEVEL WILL BE MORE COST-EFFICIENT THROUGH (A) ECONOMIES OF SCALE AND (B) AVOIDANCE OF DUPLICATION AND OVERLAP

VII   WHETHER PERFORMANCE AT REGIONAL LEVEL IS REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY BECAUSE OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: (A) GEOGRAPHIC EXTENT OF THE FUNCTION; (B) NEED FOR REGIONAL STANDARDS; (C) NEED FOR REGIONAL CONSISTENCY; (D) NEED FOR REGIONAL GOVERNMENT'S FISCAL, TECHNOLOGICAL OR OTHER CAPACITIES; (E) NEED TO AVOID OR RESOLVE CONFLICTS BETWEEN JURISDICTIONS

VIII WHETHER PERFORMANCE AT REGIONAL LEVEL IS NEEDED TO ACHIEVE EQUITABLE FUNDING OF FUNCTION