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**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
EERE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CENTER
NEPA DETERMINATION**



RECIPIENT: ND Dept. of Commerce EECBG

STATE: ND

PROJECT TITLE : Grants to Local Governments

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000013	DE-EE0000772		EE0

Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Order 451.1A), I have made the following determination:

CX, EA, EIS APPENDIX AND NUMBER:

Description:

- A9** Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, audits), data analysis (including computer modeling), document preparation (such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analytical energy supply and demand studies), and dissemination (including, but not limited to, document mailings, publication, and distribution; and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring.
- A11** Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.
- B5.1** Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy-efficiency that do not increase the indoor concentrations of potentially harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as builders, owners, consultants, designers), organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to: programmed lowering of thermostat settings, placement of timers on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and appliance efficiency ratings, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include rulemakings, standard-settings, or proposed DOE legislation.

Rational for determination:

North Dakota's Department of Commerce will administer the EECBG Program for the state of North Dakota. North Dakota's Department of Commerce would pass through DOE funding to sub-recipients for the implementation North Dakota's EECBG Program. All projects under this program are bounded in compliance with the uploaded and signed EECBG Template for Expedited NEPA review.

Any projects that fall outside the scope of the template are conditioned pending further NEPA review.

These projects comprise education, technical advice, and actions to conserve energy; therefore they are categorized under CX A9, A11, and B5.1.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: E-SIGN
NEPA Compliance OfficerDate: 2/8**FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION**

Field Office Manager review required

NCO REQUESTS THE FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:

- Proposed action fits within a categorical exclusion but involves a high profile or controversial issue that warrants Field Office Manager's attention.
- Proposed action falls within an EA or EIS category and therefore requires Field Office Manager's review and determination.

BASED ON MY REVIEW I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE NCO :

Field Office Manager's Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Field Office Manager

Based on my review of the information regarding the proposed action, I have made the following determination:

CX EA IS APPROX AND NUMBER:

Description:

AS - Information gathering (including but not limited to literature surveys, interviews, audits, data analysis (including computer modeling, document analysis, such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analytical energy supply and demand studies), and dissemination (including but not limited to document analysis, publication, and distribution) and classroom training and informational programs, but not including site observation or environmental monitoring and technical advice and planning assistance to governmental, cultural, tribal, and local organizations.

BA - Technical advice and planning assistance to governmental, cultural, tribal, and local organizations. This advice is provided in response to requests for technical advice and technical assistance from individuals, groups, or organizations (such as tribes), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to, programmatic planning, development of programmatic plans, and technical advice and planning assistance to governmental, cultural, tribal, and local organizations. This advice does not include the development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial processes, and water-use conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The advice could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, institutional, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include planning, standards-setting, or process DOE legislation.

North Dakota's Department of Commerce will administer the EECBG Program for the state of North Dakota. North Dakota's Department of Commerce would pass through DOE funding to sub-recipients for the implementation North Dakota's EECBG Program. All projects under the program are provided in compliance with the updated and signed EECBG Terms for Expedited NEPA review.

Any projects that fall outside the scope of the criteria are conditioned pending further NEPA review.

These projects comprise technical advice, technical advice, and advice to conserve energy, therefore they are categorized under CX AB, A1, and B2.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this action.

Just the following language in the word:

Note to Specialist:

None Given

SIGNATURE OF THE NEPA MANAGER CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____
 Title: Compliance Officer

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW DATE