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



RECIPIENT: Iowa Office of Energy Independence

STATE: IA

**PROJECT TITLE :** State of Iowa ARRA-EECBG (T)

<b>Funding Opportunity Announcement Number</b>	<b>Procurement Instrument Number</b>	<b>NEPA Control Number</b>	<b>CID Number</b>
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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:

- 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.
- A11** Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.
- 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.

## Rational for determination:

Iowa's Office of Energy Independence will administer the EECBG Program for the state of Iowa. Iowa's Office of Energy Independence would pass through DOE funding to sub-recipients for the implementation Iowa'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: Steve Blazek  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 2/10/2010

**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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Field Office Manager

PROJECT TITLE:

State of Iowa NEPA Compliance Officer (indicated under DOE Order 481.1-A) has made the following determination:

DOE EA, EIS NUMBER AND NUMBER:

Description:

BB.1. Action to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy efficiency that do not increase the overall consumption of petroleum-based fuels. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as business owners, contractors, 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 items on hot water heaters, installation of water hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvement in generator efficiency, and acquisition efficiency energy, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions shall include building retrofits or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include alternative, stand-alone energy, or proposed DOE facilities.

AA. Technical advice and training assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

AA. Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, interviews, audits), data analysis (including computer modeling), document preparation (such as conceptual design or feasibility study, analysis, energy supply, and demand studies), and dissemination (including, but not limited to, document writing, publication, and distribution, and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring.

National fee determination:

Lower's Office of Energy Independence will administer the EECBG Program for the state of Iowa. Iowa's Office of Energy Independence would pass through DOE funding to sub-recipients for the implementation Iowa's EECBG Program. All projects under the program are required in compliance with the uploaded and signed EECBG Template for EECBG NEPA review.

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

These projects comply with NEPA, technical advice, and actions to conserve energy, therefore they are categorized under DOE EA, A1.1, and BB.1.

NEPA PROVIDER:

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award.

Insert the following language in the award:

None to provide:

None Given

SIGNATURE OF THE MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 2/10/2010

NEPA Compliance Officer

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION