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



RECIPIENT: State of South Dakota

STATE: SD

PROJECT TITLE : SD EECBG Local Government grants (T)

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000013	DE-EE-0000953		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:

The State of South Dakota will administer the EECBG Program for the state of South Dakota. The State of South Dakota would pass through DOE funding to sub-recipients for the implementation South 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: Steve Blazek
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 2/9/2010

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: _____

 Field Office Manager

Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Order 413.1A), I have made the following determination:

Category A: NEPA Compliance Officer Review Required

Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature survey, investor, utility, data analysis (including computer modeling), document analysis (such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analysis, energy supply and demand studies, and examination (including, but not limited to, document mailing, publication, and distribution and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring and technical advice and training assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

Category B: NEPA Compliance Officer Review Not Required

Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate efficient energy conservation, and promote energy efficiency that do not increase the major consequences of a facility's harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as private citizens, consultants, designers, organizations (such as utilities), and state and local government. Covered actions include, but are not limited to, program development, installation of energy-efficient lighting, placement of fans on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and auxiliary energy usage, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial facilities, and energy conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve existing equipment or new facilities in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include energy conservation, energy efficiency, or proposed DOE legislation.

Category C: NEPA Compliance Officer Review Not Required

The State of South Dakota will administer the EIS/EA Program for the State of South Dakota. The State of South Dakota would pass through DOE funding to sub-recipients for the implementation South Dakota's EIS/EA Program. All projects under this program are funded in compliance with the updated and signed EIS/EA Template for Expedited NEPA review.

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

These projects comprise education, technical advice, and actions to conserve energy, therefore they are categorized under CX AB, A17, and B5.1.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award.

From the following language in the award:

None to Specific.

None Given.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____

 NEPA Compliance Officer

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION