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



RECIPIENT: City of Omaha

STATE: NE

PROJECT
TITLE : City of Omaha DE-EE0000666 SOW NEPA Template

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
FOA 0000013	DE-EE0000666.001		0

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.
- 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.

Rational for determination:

The following activities fall within the bounds of the City's signed Statement of Work (SOW) and therefore are categorically excluded under NEPA:

Activity #2 Parking Garage Lighting Retrofit
Activity #3 Orchard Hill Energy Efficiency Project (OHEEP)
Activity #5 Traffic Signal Lighting Retrofit
Activity #6 City Program for Energy Efficiency
Activity #7 City Building Retrofits
Activity #10 Green Team

The following activities fall outside the bounds of the signed SOW but qualify for a categorical exclusion under NEPA:

#4 Comprehensive Energy Management Plan. The City would implement a four phase process with the assistance of a technical consultant that would result in the establishment of a Comprehensive Energy Management Plan. This activity is categorically excluded under NEPA under A9 and A11.

#8 Waste to Energy Market Study. The City would retain technical consulting services to prepare a waste-to-energy (WTE) market study to assist with the identification of the type of WTE systems that would be best suited for the quantity and content of the combined municipal solid waste, yard waste, and municipal raw sewage generated by the City. This activity is categorically excluded under NEPA under A9 and A11.

#9 EECBG Program Oversight. The City would provide program management for all EECBG projects. This activity is categorically excluded under NEPA under A9.

The following activity was already categorically excluded under NEPA, but was included on the signed SOW:

Activity #1 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy Development

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

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You are required to:

Any energy efficiency retrofits that would be performed as part of activities 3 or 7, that fall outside the bounds of Part 1.3 of the City's signed SOW will require a separate NEPA review by DOE prior to the expenditure of EECBG funds on such retrofits.

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:  Date: 3/31/10
NEPA Compliance Officer

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