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



RECIPIENT: Protec Fuel Management

STATE: TX

PROJECT TITLE : Job Creation and Petroleum Independence through E85 in Texas

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-00000125	DE-EE0003054	GFO-10-321-001	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:

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:

DOE proposes to provide federal funding to Protec Fuel Management to add E85 tanks, lines and dispensers to five filling stations in Texas. The proposed project, Job Creation and Petroleum Independence through E85 in Texas, is included within the class of actions described at 10 CFR 1021, Appendix B to Subpart D, categorical exclusion B5.1.

This project promotes energy conservation and energy efficiency by providing access to a renewable, alternative fuel source for vehicles operating in the vicinity of the proposed installations. The proposed project would not result in an increase in indoor concentrations of potentially hazardous substances. The proposed installation and operation of the E85 supply equipment is a small-scale conservation project aimed at reduction of petroleum-based fuel consumption.

The proposed project would not result in violations of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements; require siting and construction or major expansion of waste management facilities; disturb pre-existing hazardous substances, pollutants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum or natural gas products; or adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources. All installation work would be conducted in previously disturbed and currently paved areas, and all installations would be repaved upon completion. No changes to drainage or runoff would occur as a result of the proposed project. No contaminants are present at any of the sites. Other than minor emissions from heavy equipment and contractor vehicles during construction, no new sources of air emissions are anticipated. The sites are not located in nonattainment areas for any criteria pollutant; while one station located in New Braunfels, Texas is in an area that was formerly designated as a nonattainment area for the 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard, it was subsequently redesignated as in compliance with the standard on April 2, 2008. Waste generated would be limited to small quantities of concrete and uncontaminated soil.

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: Kristin Kerwin Date: 4/20/2010
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