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


RECIPIENT: Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

STATE: IL

PROJECT TITLE : Illinois SEP Retrofit/CX Projects

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000052			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:
NEPA TEMPLATE

Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has submitted projects that fall within the NEPA bounded TEMPLATE and have been broken into 4 project categories: Green Roofs, Large Customer, Renewable and Thermal Efficiency. IL intends to fund cost shared grants for energy efficiency improvements in existing buildings. There are a total of 68 projects with a total project cost of \$341,585,170, with \$24,915,644 (7%) being funded out of SEP ARRA funds. The individual project details are identified on the attached 4 spreadsheets. All project categories have obtained DOE HQ eligibility approval.

IL has provided clarifying language addressing building aesthetics, National Historical Preservation Act, and will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws on the handling, storage and disposal of waste. All of these requirements will be incorporate into the project award documents. There will be no new construction in any of these projects. The projects have been selected through an RFP process and are ready for award through their e-grants financial program.

- Green Roofs program they plan to install vegetative roof coverings on existing facilities.
- Large Customer Retrofit program they will provide partial funding to upgrade and or improve the energy efficiency at 12 large facilities.
- Renewable Potential CX program will provide partial funding to install renewable energy projects that will include solar PV thermal, solar PV, or a co-gen system at 18 facilities.
- Thermal Efficiency Retrofit program will provide partial funding to 23 facilities to improve the efficiency of these sites.

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:  _____
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: _____
Field Office Manager

Date: _____