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



RECIPIENT: City of Jacksonville

STATE: FL

PROJECT TITLE : SOW for Activity #7 Community Energy Efficiency Incentives Program (Supercedes DE-EE0000777.002)

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000013	DE-EE0000777.004		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.
- 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 following activities are bound by the City of Jacksonville's signed Statement of Work (SOW) and are therefore categorically excluded under NEPA:

- Activity #7 Community Energy Efficiency Incentives

The Program would be comprised of two parts:

Part I – Community Energy Efficiency Grants would competitively award sub-grants to non-profit organizations which demonstrate the greatest need for energy efficiency retrofits and provide required matching funds. Minimum evaluation criteria would consist of ownership of facility, age of facility/mechanical systems, potential consumption savings, capacity of organization to complete the project, and service to the community.

Part II – Community Energy Efficiency Programs would allocate grant funds to contractors under the management of Jacksonville's municipal electrical utility (JEA) to strategically supplement and expand the utility's residential and commercial demand side management programs.

Any projects submitted for EECBG funding that fall outside the bounds of the city's signed SOW will require a separate NEPA determination review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

Activity #7 was previously reviewed for NEPA under Award No. DE-EE0000777.002. At that time the activities were not bound by a signed SOW.

As part of that NEPA review, Part I - Community Energy Efficiency Grants did not receive a final NEPA approval pending submittal of additional project-specific information for DOE review. With the activity now bound to the SOW that condition is now lifted.

Part II - Community Energy Efficiency Programs received an unconditional NEPA approval under Award No. DE-EE0000777.002. The City has subsequently indicated that it wants to bind the activities under Part II to their signed SOW as well. The NEPA approval described above binds Part II of Activity #7 to the City's signed SOW and therefore supersedes the prior NEPA approval for Part II granted in Award No. DE-EE0000777.002.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____


NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: _____

5/20/10

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: _____