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



RECIPIENT: Jefferson Parish

STATE: LA

**PROJECT TITLE :** Jefferson Parish New Activities (S) [Activities 5, 6, 7]

<b>Funding Opportunity Announcement Number</b>	<b>Procurement Instrument Number</b>	<b>NEPA Control Number</b>	<b>CID Number</b>
DE-EE0000733	DE-EE0000733.001		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.
- 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 fall within the bounds of the Parish's signed Statement of Work (SOW) and are therefore categorically excluded under NEPA:

- Activity #5 Energy Retrofits for Parish Buildings
- Activity #6 Energy Efficient Street Lighting Program

The following activities were not included in the Parish's signed SOW but are categorically excluded under NEPA:

- Activity #7 Hybrid Vehicles. The city would utilize EECBG funds to cover the incremental cost of purchasing approximately four (4) light duty hybrid vehicles. This activity constitutes actions to conserve energy and is categorically excluded under CX B5.1.

Any projects submitted for EECBG funding that fall outside the bounds of the City's signed SOW, other Activity #7 listed above, will require a separate DOE 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 :

The Project Officer has advised that the recipient will not be implementing previously approved Activity #2 (Home Performance with Energy Star Residential Program) and Activity #4 (Building Codes and Inspections Training for 2009 International Building Code Compliance), and that funds associated with those activities will be redirected towards Activities 5 through 7 identified above.

**SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.**

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: [Signature]  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 5/13/10

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

Information gathered including but not limited to: literature surveys, reviews, studies, data analysis (including computer modeling), document reviews (such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analytical energy usage, and demand studies), and assessments (including, but not limited to, document review, publication, and distribution, and mission, training, and behavioral programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring and planning activities associated with international, national, state, and local organizations.

DOE will continue to explore energy conservation potential energy conservation, and promote energy efficiency (EPC) activities in the private sector, including residential, commercial, and industrial. These activities may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals such as business owners, consultants, designers, organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered activities include, but are not limited to: engineering, installation of demand-side management (DSM) devices on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting equipment in general, energy and appliance efficiency audits, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and other energy conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. These activities do not include manufacturing standards, standards, or proposed DOE legislation.

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

- Activity 45 Energy Reviews for Public Buildings
- Activity 46 Energy Efficient Street Lighting Program

The following activities were not included in the Permit's signed SOW but are categorically excluded under NEPA:

- Activity 47 Hybrid Vehicles: The city would utilize EPCOB funds to cover the incremental cost of purchasing approximately four (4) light duty hybrid vehicles. The activity consists of actions to conserve energy and is categorically excluded under CE 55.1.

Any projects submitted for EPCOB funding that fall outside the bounds of the City's signed SOW, other Activity 47 listed above, will require a separate DOE NEPA determination review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award.

Just the following category in the award:

Note in particular:

The Project Office has advised that the recipient will not be implementing previously approved Activity 45 (Home Performance with Energy Star Residential Program) and Activity 46 (Building Codes and Insulation Training for 2005 International Building Code Compliance), and that funds associated with those activities will be redirected to other activities through a modified award.

SIGNATURE OF THE MEMORANDUM COMPLETES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.