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



RECIPIENT: MI Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth

STATE: MI

PROJECT TITLE : SEP - Farm Audit Implementation

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000052	DE-EE0000166	GFO-0000166-037	GO0

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:

The Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth is proposing to use SEP ARRA funding to provide financial support to farmers for implementing the Michigan Farm Energy Audit and/or Renewable Energy Assessment recommendations.

This NEPA determination is necessary for the recognition of the signed NEPA template that is attached in the PMC. The proposed projects will remain within the bounds of the uploaded and signed NEPA template and are consistent with activities outlined in B5.1 "actions to conserve energy"; therefore, they are categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

Any activity that falls outside the bounds of the NEPA template will require an individual NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

Projects that falls outside the bounds of the signed NEPA template will be submitted separately and will require an individual NEPA review.

EF2a completed by Logan Sholar

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:


NEPA Compliance Officer

Date:

3/17/11

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION

Field Office Manager review required