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



RECIPIENT: City of Akron

STATE: OH

PROJECT TITLE : Akron City ARRA-EECBG (S) Activity 1 Community Business and Non-Profit Energy Efficiency Grant Program and Activity 12 Energy Efficient Solar Array Implementation Program

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000013	DE-EE0000703	GFO-0000703-002	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:

This NEPA determination is in recognition of the City of Akron signed NEPA SOW (Attached). Activity 1, the Community Business and Non-Profit Energy Efficiency Grant Program, consists of offering matching grants of up to \$30,000 for energy efficient retrofits. The grant is for existing businesses only (no new construction). Eligible items for grant funding include windows, doors, HVAC, lighting and insulation. Activity 12, the Energy Efficient Solar Array Implementation Grant program, consists of the installation of solar arrays on two public city structures, the Hyre Middle School and the National Inventors Hall of Fame Center for STEM learning. Both of these are co-owned by the City and the Akron Public Schools. The solar array systems will range from approximately 22kW to 100 kW.

Additionally, the City of Akron shall limit funding under Activity 1 and 12 to energy efficiency measures that fall within the boundaries of the NEPA SOW that is attached (see SOW pdf attached). For energy efficiency measures in Activity 1 and 12 that fall outside the SOW, the City will submit a separate EF1.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

EF2a completed by Logan Sholar

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:



 NEPA Compliance Officer

Date:

5/26/11