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(20402)

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



RECIPIENT: State Energy Office

STATE: SD

PROJECT
TITLE : PY2012 SEP

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000643	NT43204	GFO-0043204-001	

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, analysis, and dissemination Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, site visits, and audits), data analysis (including, but not limited to, computer modeling), document preparation (including, but not limited to, conceptual design, feasibility studies, and analytical energy supply and demand studies), and information dissemination (including, but not limited to, document publication and distribution, and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring. (See also B3.1 of appendix B to this subpart.)

A11 Technical advice and assistance to organizations Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

Rational for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided \$204,000 of federal funding to the State of South Dakota's State Energy Office (SEO) under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. SEO will match the federal funding with \$47,162.38 in state funds and will carry over \$468,939.60 in federal funds.

SEO proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

Administration:

Under this Market Title, SD proposes to use federal funding to fund administrative activities including evaluation, awarding, monitoring and reporting all grants and loans awarded through the State Energy Plan pursuant to federal requirements. The SEO would work with State institutions to identify cost-effective energy efficiency and conservation measures and assist with the cost of the measures. Energy efficiency retrofits or renewable energy projects implemented under this market title are subject to additional NEPA review.

Energy Efficient Government - Buildings:

Under this Market Title, SD proposes to use federal funding to fund to commissioning, retro-commissioning, technical energy analysis' or the cost of implementing energy saving projects that demonstrate a reasonable payback. Energy efficient government funds would fund energy saving measures at state owned facilities. The SEO would work with State institutions to identify cost-effective energy efficiency and conservation measures and assist with the cost of the measures. All energy efficiency retrofits or renewable energy projects implemented under this market title are conditioned subject to further NEPA review.

Based on a review of the activities that would be funded under the above Market Titles, DOE has determined the projects that would be funded under these Market Titles will not significantly impact the human environment and they are categorically excluded from further NEPA review under CX A9 "information gathering" and CX A11 "technical advice." Any activities funded under the 2012 annual appropriations that involve ground-breaking activities, retrofits, or equipment purchase and/or installation are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

Insert the following language in the award:

You are required to:

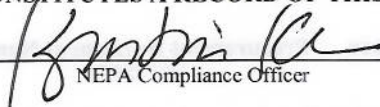
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Note to Specialist :

DOE funding - \$204,000
EF2a prepared by Melissa Rossiter

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____



NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: _____

7/24/2012

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: _____