

PMC-ND
(1.08.09.13)

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
NEPA DETERMINATION**



RECIPIENT: National Trust for Historic Preservation - Preservation Green Lab **STATE:** DC

PROJECT TITLE : America Saves! Energizing Main Street Small Businesses

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000829	DE-EE0006291	GFO-0006291-001	EE6291

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:

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

Rationale for determination:

National Trust for Historic Preservation is proposing to use DOE funding toward collection and analyses of building-specific energy consumption data from at least 5,000 small commercial buildings and small businesses located throughout the U.S.

Activities conducted as part of this project would involve desk-top research, data collection/analysis, technical advice to small businesses, and development and dissemination of soft-ware analysis tools. Funding would not be used for physical upgrades to buildings or to finance any upgrades. However, if the scope of the project may change, under Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) number DE-FOA-0000829, the recipient is prohibited from conducting retrofits on buildings of historic, archaeological, or architectural significance designated by federal, state or local governments, property located within or immediately adjacent to a historic district, property 50 years or older, or property eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Based on the above information and supporting documentation provided, DOE has determined that this project is consistent with actions covered under DOE CX A9 (information gathering, data analysis, document preparation and dissemination, and computer modeling) and CX A11 (technical assistance); and therefore is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

If you intend to make changes to the scope or objective of your project you are required to contact the Project Officer identified in Block 11 of the Notice of Financial Assistance Award before proceeding. You must receive notification of approval from the DOE Contracting Officer prior to commencing with work beyond that currently approved.

Insert the following language in the award:

You are required to:

The recipient is prohibited from conducting retrofits on buildings of historic, archaeological, or architectural significance designated by federal, state or local governments, property located within or immediately adjacent to a historic district, property 50 years or older, or property eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Any project involving ground-breaking activities, new construction, or projects involving the installation of outside equipment are subject to additional NEPA review by DOE prior to initiating these activities and prior to the expenditure of project funds.

Note to Specialist :

NEPA review completed by Laura Margason on August 15, 2013.

This NEPA Determination requires a tailored NEPA provision.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Electronically Signed By: Lori Gray Date: 8/16/2013
NEPA Compliance Officer

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: _____ Date: _____
Field Office Manager