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



RECIPIENT: City of Perth Amboy

STATE: NJ

PROJECT TITLE : Municipal Complex Solar Power Project

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
	DE-EE0003172	GFO-0003172-003	GO3172

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:

B3.14 Small-scale educational facilities Siting, construction, modification, operation, and decommissioning of small-scale educational facilities (including, but not limited to, conventional teaching laboratories, libraries, classroom facilities, auditoriums, museums, visitor centers, exhibits, and associated offices) within or contiguous to a previously disturbed or developed area (where active utilities and currently used roads are readily accessible). Operation may include, but is not limited to, purchase, installation, and operation of equipment (such as audio/visual and laboratory equipment) commensurate with the educational purpose of the facility.

Rationale for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide federal funding to the City of Perth Amboy, New Jersey to develop the Municipal Complex Solar Project. DOE funding would be used to install a 16,170 watt solar photovoltaic (PV) rooftop array at the Perth Amboy Municipal Marina Building. DOE funding would also be used to engage and educate the community through the installation of a monitoring screen that would display energy savings data.

DOE made a previous NEPA determination (GFO-0003172-001 CXB5.1 9/7/2011) which reviewed the installation and operation of a rooftop solar panel array at the Perth Amboy Municipal Complex located at 365 New Brunswick Avenue, Perth Amboy, New Jersey. A subsequent NEPA determination (GFO-0003172-002 CXA9, B3.6, 8/26/2013) was made for the relocation of the proposed rooftop solar array to the Perth Amboy Marina Building located at 260B Front St, Perth Amboy, New Jersey 08861. This NEPA determination applies to the installation of an educational flat screen monitor that would be hung on the wall of the main entrance of City Hall, located at 260 High Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

The educational flat screen monitor would be a 32 inch LCD screen. Perth Amboy City Hall is listed on the New Jersey and National Register of Historic Places. All modifications would be made to the inside of the front entrance and have no impact to the visual or structural integrity of the building. Perth Amboy City Hall was listed on the National Register of Historic Places based on two areas of significance: architecture and politics/government. Installation of the monitor would have no effect on either attribute.

Based on review of the project information and the above analysis, DOE has determined the installation of an educational flat screen monitor would not have significant individual or cumulative impact to human health and/or environment. DOE has determined that the work outlined is consistent with the actions identified in categorical exclusion B3.14 "small-scale educational facility," and 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.

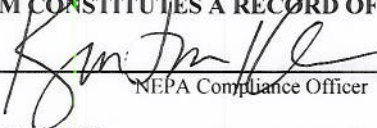
Note to Specialist :

Kelly Daigle 12/9/2013

This NEPA Determination does not require a tailored NEPA provision.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____



NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 12/10/2013

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: _____

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide federal funding to the City of Perth Amboy, New Jersey, to develop the Municipal Center East Project. DOE funding would be used to install a 18.110 watt solar photovoltaic (PV) rooftop array at the Perth Amboy Municipal Center Building. DOE funding would also be used to engage and educate the community through the installation of a monitoring screen that would display energy savings data.

DOE made a previous NEPA determination (EPC-0003173-001 CXAR, 1/17/2011) which reviewed the installation and operation of a rooftop solar panel array at the Perth Amboy Municipal Center located at 385 New Brunswick Avenue, Perth Amboy, New Jersey. A subsequent NEPA determination (EPC-0003173-002 CXAR, 8/3/2012) was made for the installation of the proposed rooftop solar array at the Perth Amboy Municipal Center located at 385B Front St., Perth Amboy, New Jersey 08861. This NEPA determination applies to the installation of an educational air screen monitor that would be hung on the wall of the main entrance of City Hall, located at 280 High Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

The educational air screen monitor would be a 32 inch LCD screen. Perth Amboy City Hall is listed on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places. All modifications would be made to the inside of the front entrance and have no impact to the visual or structural integrity of the building. Perth Amboy City Hall was listed on the National Register of Historic Places based on two areas of significance: architecture and governmental. Installation of the monitor would have no effect on either attribute.

Based on review of the project information and the above analysis, DOE has determined the installation of an educational air screen monitor would not have significant individual or cumulative impact to human health and/or environment. DOE has determined that the work outlined is consistent with the actions identified in categorical exclusion E3 - "major-scale educational facility", and is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made this NEPA determination for the reason

from the following language in the record.

If you wish to make changes to the scope or objectives of your project, you are required to contact the Project Officer identified in Block 11 of the Notice of Funding Availability Award before proceeding. You must receive notification of approval from the DOE Contracting Officer prior to commencing work. Awarded projects that are not approved.