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



RECIPIENT: Sunvestment Group, LLC

STATE: PA

PROJECT TITLE : Community-Based PPA Investment Platform & Partnership Program

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000923	DE-EE0006699	GFO-0006699-001	

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.

Rationale for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide funding to Sunvestment Group, LLC to develop and implement software that would create an online transaction platform for investing in community PPA solar projects.

The proposed project activities would consist of developing an internet-based service platform and partner program that will allow solar developers, prospective site hosts and investors to connect and access the documentation templates necessary to structure and complete community-based Power Purchase Agreements (CPPA). The proposed project would use no physical materials beyond basic office supplies and software.

Based on review of the project information and the above analysis, DOE has determined the proposed project would not have a significant individual or cumulative impact to human health and/or environment. DOE has determined that this project is consistent with actions outlined in DOE categorical exclusions A9 "Information gathering, analysis, and dissemination" and A11 "Technical advice and assistance to organizations" and is therefore 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 :

Review completed by Logan Sholar on 08/26/14.

This NEPA Determination does not require a tailored NEPA provision.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:  Kristin Kerwin

Date: 8/27/2014

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

Information gathering (including but not limited to interviews, site visits and...
 technical advice and planning assistance to environmental, tribal, state, and local organizations...
 The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide funding to Subversion Group, LLC to develop and...
 The proposed project activities would consist of developing an internet-based service platform and other program...
 based on review of the project information and the above analysis. DOE has determined the proposed project would...
 not have a significant individual or cumulative impact on human health and the environment. DOE has determined that...
 the project is consistent with actions outlined in DOE categorical exclusion A2 "Information gathering, analysis, and...
 dissemination" and A11 "Technical advice and assistance to organizations" and is therefore categorically excluded...
 from further NEPA review.

NEPA REVIEWED
 I, the undersigned, have reviewed the information provided for this project and...
 based on the following information, I have determined that the project...
 is consistent with the following language in the statute:
 If you intend 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 Project Officer Assistance Form before proceeding. You must receive written notification of approval from the DOE...
 Contracting Officer prior to commencing work beyond the current approval.
 Not applicable.
 Review completed by Logan Brown on 8/28/14
 The NEPA Determination does not require a signed NEPA provision.
 SIGNATURE OF THIS MECHANISM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.
 NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____ Date: 8/28/2014