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



RECIPIENT:National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)

STATE: VA

PROJECT TITLENational and Regional Initiatives to Promote Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Through State Energy Offices

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DNFA	DE-EE0004556	GFO-0004556-001	

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 Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide funding to the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO), to provide core State Energy Program information with state-federal coordination, and regional collaboration activities.

The proposed work would include the following tasks: NASEO, State Energy Offices (SEO), DOE Weatherization and Intergovernmental Program (WIP) Collaboration and Engagement; Strengthen State Energy Offices and Resources through Crosscutting Programs and Multistate Initiatives and Project Management and Reporting.

This project would involve the creation and delivery of an intensive training program for State Energy Directors and senior staff, along with state energy planning assistance. Additionally, assistance would be provided to facilitate collaborative discussions among other state agencies and multi-state energy planning organizations. Lastly, NASEO would work with WIPs and SEOs to address advancing dynamic policies, programs, and planning; and to enhance public-private energy investment and financing programs.

DOE has determined that this project is consistent with actions covered under DOE CX A9 "Information gathering, analysis, and dissemination" and A11 "Technical advice and assistance to organizations" 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.

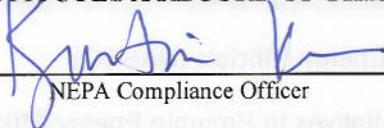
Note to Specialist :

Weatherization & Intergovernmental Programs Office

This NEPA Determination does not require a tailored NEPA provision.

NEPA review completed by Diana Heyder 09/04/2015

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: 
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 9/8/2015

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: _____