# U.S. Department of Energy Naval Reactors Laboratory Field Office

# **Naval Reactors Facility**

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Categorical Exclusion (CX)

Determination Summary Form

## NAVAL REACTORS FACILITY OFF-SITE SEATING PROJECT

#### REFERENCE

10 CFR Part 1021, Department of Energy, National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures, Subpart D, Typical Classes of Actions

## PROJECT SCOPE DISCUSSION

The purpose of the Naval Reactors Facility (NRF) Off-site Seating Project is to provide additional office space to accommodate the projected increase in NRF personnel over the next 10 years. The number of NRF personnel will exceed the number of available on-site, professional office spaces within the next two years. Leasing an off-site facility will address the short-term seating requirements necessary to support the projected growth in facility personnel.

The scope of the project includes procuring leased space of at least 34,000 square feet to provide professional office space for approximately 200 NRF personnel. The leased space will include offices, restrooms, conference rooms, eating areas, storage areas, copy rooms, utility rooms, communications areas, security offices, and parking areas. The lessor will be responsible for general management of the facility, including janitorial services, routine facility maintenance, building repairs, landscaping services, parking lot maintenance, and snow removal. The initial lease period will be a minimum of five years, with an option to renew for a period of up to five additional years.

The project does not violate applicable regulatory requirements, require construction or major expansion of waste handling facilities, result in unpermitted releases of hazardous substances, or adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources, including wetlands. The project does not involve genetically engineered organisms or species. There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposed action. The project has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion and is not connected to other actions with potentially significant and/or cumulative impacts.

#### CONCLUSION

The NRF Off-site Seating Project is categorically excluded from additional NEPA documentation under 10 CFR 1021 Subpart D, Appendix B, B1.24, Property Transfers, which includes the following:

"Transfer, lease, disposition, or acquisition of interests in personal property (including, but not limited to, equipment and materials) or real property (including, but not limited to, permanent structures and land), provided that under reasonably foreseeable uses (1) there would be no potential for release of substances at a level, or in a form, that could pose a threat to public health or the environment and (2) the covered actions would not have the potential to cause a significant change in impacts from before the transfer, lease, disposition, or acquisition of interests."

The Off-site Seating Project will not involve activities with the potential to release any substance at a level that would pose a threat to human health or the environment. The transfer of NRF personnel to the leased facility will not result in a significant increase of the environmental impacts from the work being performed.

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