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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY EERE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CENTER NEPA DETERMINATION

RECIPIENT:Miami-Dade County

STATE: FL

PROJECT TITLE :

County of Miami-Dade, FL Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant

 Funding Opportunity Announcement Number
 Procurement Instrument Number
 NEPA Control Number
 CID Number

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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 (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, audits), data analysis (including computer modeling), document preparation (such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analytical energy supply and demand studies), and dissemination (including, but not limited to, document mailings, publication, and distribution; and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring.
- B5.1 Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy-efficiency that do not increase the indoor concentrations of potentially harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as builders, owners, consultants, designers), organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to: programmed lowering of thermostat settings, placement of timers on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and appliance efficiency ratings, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include rulemakings, standard-settings, or proposed DOE legislation.
- A11 Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

Rational for determination:

Project activities #7 – Urban Wind Energy Harvesting Demonstration and Pilot Project, #13 – Miami-Dade County Targeted Industry Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund, and #14 – Sustainable Technology Demonstration Program (with the exception of proposed building envelope efficiency products, energy efficiency technology, and natural lighting amplification systems) are bound by the County's signed Statement of Work (SOW) and are therefore categorically excluded under NEPA.

Activity #14 – Sustainable Technology Demonstration Program contains components that fall outside the bounds of the SOW but are categorically excluded under NEPA under CX B5.1. These components include: building envelope efficiency products, energy efficiency technology, and natural lighting amplification systems.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

While the activities proposed within Activity #13, Miami-Dade County Targeted Industry Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund, fall within the bounds of the SOW, DOE HQ has provided guidance concerning how the activity can be implemented to have the proposed PV system installations on non-government buildings be considered an eligible activity within the broader energy efficiency retrofit efforts undertaken with the proposed loan fund. It may be appropriate to incorporate this guidance into the applicable section(s) of the final or amended award for this activity.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 3/3//10

3/31/2010