



# U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



Program or Field Office: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program

Project Title MO-City-Independence

Location: City Independence MO

Proposed Action or Project Description: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

1) Audits of city buildings; 2) loan loss reserve program for residential energy efficiency retrofits (residential weatherization projects) and training of energy auditors; 3) city building energy efficiency retrofits which includes replacing HVAC systems at the city's National Frontier Trails Museum, lighting retrofits at City Hall and other city buildings, and provide funding/rebate to a not-for-profit organization to install a ground source heat pump; 4) residential energy efficiency rebate program (replacement/upgrade of HVAC units and lighting and other energy efficiency projects); 5) development of efficient building codes; 6) light-emitting diode (LED) traffic signal retrofits; 7) LED school zone signal retrofit; and 8) LED streetlight pilot.

Conditions: Historic preservation clause applies to this application

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A1, A9, B2.5, B5.1

\*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR 10 21

This action would not: threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including DOE and/or Executive Orders; require siting, construction, or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, but may include such categorically excluded facilities; disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; or adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources (including but not limited to those listed in paragraph B.(4)) of Appendix B to Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021). Furthermore, there are no extraordinary circumstances related to this action that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the action; this action is not "connected" to other actions with potentially significant impacts, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts, and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession (or attached) concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under DOE Order 451.1B), I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified class(es) of action, the other regulatory requirements set forth above are met, and the proposed action is hereby categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

ORO NEPA Compliance Officer **Gary S. Hartman** Date Determined: 8/28/2012

Comments:

Webmaster: