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



RECIPIENT: Harford County, Maryland

STATE: MD

PROJECT TITLE : Harford County MD ARRA-EECBG (S)

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000013	DE-EE0000741		0

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.
- A11** Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.
- 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.

Rational for determination:

The following Project Activity Sheets (PAS) are bounded by the signed SOW and are therefore categorically excluded under NEPA: #1 Sustainability Coordinator, #2 Education/Communication, #3 Facility Audits, #4 EC Code Training, #5 Facilities Repair Program, #6 220 Server Room Study, #7 220 Server Room HVAC, #8 Rideshare Program, #9 Courthouse Bldg Repairs, #10 Englewood Library HVAC, and #11 Library Chiller.

Additionally, PAS #12 Ring Factory Elementary Roof Retrofit falls outside the prescribed list of Category 5 items (Building Retrofits) provided in the SOW, but is a categorically excluded activity as described. PAS #12 includes the replacement in kind of the existing roof panels with high solar reflective index (SRI) roof panels, and qualifies as a categorically excluded activity consistent with B5.1.

Any projects submitted for EECBG funding that fall outside the bounds of the signed SOW, other than PAS #12 identified above, will require a separate NEPA determination review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Pete Yerace
NEPA Compliance OfficerDate: 2/19/2010

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

NEPA PROVISION
 DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this record.
 Insert the following language in the record:
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 None Given
 STATE OF THE RECORD/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENT/THIS A RECORD OR THIS DECISION.
 NEPA Compliance Office Signature _____
 Date: 2/19/2010