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



RECIPIENT: City of Tulsa

STATE: OK

PROJECT

TITLE:

City of Tulsa EECBG SOW for Activities 3 & 4; CX Request for Activities 5, 6, & 8

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number FOA 0000013 Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number DE EE 0000921.001

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 (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 activities fall within the bounds of the signed SOW and therefore are categorically excluded under NEPA:

Activity #3 Energy Efficiency Highway Lighting Project Activity #4 City of Tulsa Facility Energy Audit & Retrofit Program

The following activities fall outside the bounds of the signed SOW but qualify for a categorical exclusion under NEPA:

Activity #5 Renewable Energy Feasibility Assessment. The City would utilize EECBG funds to perform a renewable energy feasibility assessment of select City facility's to identify suitable locations on City-owned buildings and properties for renewable energy installations. This activity is categorically excluded under CX A9 and CX A11.

Activity #6 Revolving Loan Program Development. The City would utilize EECBG funs to retain technical consulting services to assist with the development and implementation of residential and small business Revolving Loan Program to fund energy efficiency projects. The City would identify other funding that would serve as the capital used to finance the loans. This activity is categorically excluded under CX A9 and CX A11.

Activity #8 City-Wide, Long-Term Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Plan Development. The City would use EECBG funds to retain technical consulting services to assist with the development and implementation of an overarching 3 to 5-year energy efficiency and sustainability plan. A key component of the plan would be the identification and prioritization of energy efficiency projects and policies. This activity is categorically excluded under CX A9 and CX A11.

The following activities were already categorically excluded under NEPA, but were included on the signed SOW:

Activity #1 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy Development

Any projects submitted for EECBG funding that fall outside the bounds of the city's signed SOW, excluding activities 5, 6, and 8 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:
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Note to Specialist:
None Given.
SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.
NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: P187 Date: 4/7/
NEPA Compliance Officer
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