U.S. Department of Energy
Categorical Exclusion Determination Form

Program or Field Office: EERE-OWIP/EECBG

Project Title: Project #1 – Install economizing & efficient cooling unit in County Building

Location: Maine County of Androscoggin

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

The County Building was built in 1854 and serves at the hub of many activities for the residents of the County. The facility has been cooling the space with inefficient individual units. This project will replace approximately 12 air units with a more economizing unit resulting in a potential for savings of 20% energy cost and reduction in CO2 emissions.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied:

X - B1.4 Installation/modification of air conditioning systems for existing equipment

X - B2.5 Safety and environmental improvements of a facility, replacement/upgrade of facility components

X - B5.1 Actions to conserve energy

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR10 21 Click Here

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.

NEPA Compliance Officer: Othalene J. Lawrence Date Determined: May 11, 2010

Comments: Webmaster: Lawrence Wiggins Digitally signed by Lawrence Wiggins DN: cn=Lawrence Wiggins, o=EES, ou, email=Lawrence.Wiggins@hq.doe.gov, c=US Date: 2010.05.12 12:50:01 -04'00'

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