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



RECIPIENT: City of Newark

STATE: NJ

PROJECT TITLE:

Green Neighborhood Pilot Program - S

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number DE-EE0000670

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:

- 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 Project Activity Sheet titled "Activity 4 - Green Neighborhood Pilot" submitted by the City of Newark, New Jersey, is bounded by the allowable projects listed in the signed SOW and is therefore categorically excluded from further NEPA review under A9, A11 and B5.1.

"Activity 4 - Green Neighborhood Pilot" includes funding a non-profit community based organization in order to award subgrants to support green neighborhood development that saves energy, reduces carbon, and creates jobs. Subgrants will be awarded via a competitive process and will carry all EECBG rules, regulations and reporting requirements. Scope of eligible activities will conform to EECBG eligibility. Subgrantee reporting will be mandated and metrics will be included in the City of Newark's regular EECBG reporting to DOE.

## NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

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You are required to:

If you intend to make changes to the scope or objective of your project you are required to contact the Project Officer identified in Block 11 of the Notice of Financial Assistance Award before proceeding. You must receive notification of approval from the DOE Contracting Officer prior to commencing with work beyond that currently approved.

Note to Specialist:

None Given.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD	OF THIS DECISION
NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:  NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:	Date: _5/13/10
FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION  Field Office Manager review required	
NCO REQUESTS THE FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW FOR TH	IE FOLLOWING REASON:
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Manager's attention.  □ Proposed action falls within an EA or EIS category and therefore require  BASED ON MY REVIEW I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION	
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