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



RECIPIENT: S&C Electric Company

STATE: IL

PROJECT TITLE:

ARRA Green Industry Business Development Program

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number DE-FOA-0000052

EE0000119

Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number

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:

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 Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity is providing \$1,000,000 in Recovery Act funds to S&C Electric Company (S&C) to offset a portion of the cost to purchase and install new machinery, equipment and process improvements in connection with the company's construction of its new Advanced Technology Center (ATC) on its industrial campus in Chicago, Illinois, Government funding will only be associated with the purchase and installation of equipment, no funds will be associated with building construction activities. ATC building construction began in 2008 and the facility was operational as of early 2010. The completion of the ATC allowed the company to further develop and expand its manufacturing capacity for renewable energy and energy efficiency products.

Grant funding is specifically designated for the purchase and installation of specialty processing equipment and molding/machinery equipment. S&C has obtained all required licenses and permits for the project.

In view of the information provided by the State and recipient, that the work involved with the purchase and installation of equipment in a recently constructed building, the work described is consistent with activities identified in Categorical Exclusion B5.1 and can be excluded from further NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist:

According to the project officer, funding for this project is \$1,000,000. Based on the information provided for NEPA review, it appears that the work presented has already been completed.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

Date: _ 5/27/10

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