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



RECIPIENT: Louisiana -- Parish of Caddo -- installation of 15 CNG conversion kits

STATE: LA

PROJECT

TITLE:

Recovery Act -- State Energy Program

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number DE-FOE-0000052

EE0000124

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 State of Louisiana will provide \$236,260 in Recovery Act funds to the Parish of Caddo to convert up to seven (7) 2009/2010 gasoline engine light duty vehicles to compressed natural gas (CNG) and to purchase up to nine (9) CNGready light duty vehicles. The work will be performed at Steelweld, 245 West Bert Kouns, Shreveport, LA.

Steelweld is a CNG EPA-certified contractor; the facility is licensed for the work intended. The CNG-replaced gasoline engines will be sold as surplus.

In view of the information provided by the State and recipient, DOE has determined that the purchase of CNG vehicles describes activities covered within the signed SEP Template and that the conversion of gasoline vehicles to CNG is consistent with activities identified in Categorical Exclusion B5.1.

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 \$238,260. Absent a significant change in the scope of this effort, a change in funding will not affect my determination.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

WEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 8/16/10

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION

Field Office Manager review required