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



**RECIPIENT:**Kansas Corporation Commission

STATE: KS

PROJECT TITLE:

FCIP Loan

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number DE-FOA-0000052

DE-EE00000132

Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number

GFO-0000132-008

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.
- A11 Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.
- 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.

## Rational for determination:

The Kansas Corporate Commission will provide \$1,000,000 of SEP Recovery Act funding to the Kansas Energy Office for use with the Facility Conservation Improvement Program (FCIP) which energy savings performance contracting in public buildings. Using the established Efficiency Kansas network of Partner Lenders, this program would establish a revolving loan fund for performance contracting projects. Funds would be provided to lenders at no- to low-interest. Interest would be capped, providing access to low-cost financing for the public entities to fund a performance contract.

The State of Kansas has signed the SEP Template assuring the Department of Energy that the project(s) selected shall keep with the limits indicated within the template bounds.

In view of the information provided by the State, DOE has determined that the work outlined is consistent with activities identified in Categorical Exclusion A9, A11, and B5.1

## NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist:

Any projects submitted for SEP funding that fall outside the bounds of the signed Template will require a separate NEPA determination review.

Completed by Bill Knapp

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

Date: 1/4///