



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



Program or Field Office: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program

Project Title MA-City-Worcester

Location: City Worcester MA

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

1) Conduct energy assessment program (audits) on residential and commercial buildings; 2) energy efficiency building retrofits to include HVAC Direct Digital Controls installation, recaulking windows, and adding insulation at City Hall and purchasing eligible materials and equipment needed to implement energy efficiency measures and rebate grants to property owners; and 3) install solar photovoltaic system on rooftop (256 kW) at the Worcester Technical High School.

Conditions: Historic preservation clause applies to this application (City Hall >100 years old)

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A1, A9, B2.5, B5.1

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR 10.21

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.

ORO NEPA Compliance Officer

Gary S. Hartman

Date Determined:

4/4/2011

Comments:

Webmaster: