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



RECIPIENT: Oklahoma Department of Commerce

STATE: OK

PROJECT TITLE : OKLAHOMA SEP ANNUAL - PY12

<b>Funding Opportunity Announcement Number</b>	<b>Procurement Instrument Number</b>	<b>NEPA Control Number</b>	<b>CID Number</b>
DE-FOA-0000643	NT43203	GFO-0043203-001	

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:

**A11 Technical advice and assistance to organizations**

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

**A9 Information gathering, analysis, and dissemination**

Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, site visits, and audits), data analysis (including, but not limited to, computer modeling), document preparation (including, but not limited to, conceptual design, feasibility studies, and analytical energy supply and demand studies), and information dissemination (including, but not limited to, document publication and distribution, and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring. (See also B3.1 of appendix B to this subpart.)

## Rational for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided \$421,000 of federal funding to the State of Oklahoma under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. Oklahoma will match the federal funding with \$46,200 in state funds and \$56,000 from local communities. Additionally, Oklahoma will carry over \$90,000 in federal appropriations, for a total of \$613,200.

## Oklahoma proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

## Association of Central Oklahoma Council of Governments:

Under this Market Title, Oklahoma would fund education and outreach efforts targeting Central Oklahoma Clean Cities programs that coordinate with technical and community college programs training automotive technology students, who work with advanced vehicle technologies and alternative fuels. It would also coordinate outreach efforts towards fleet managers making decisions on vehicle and fuel purchases.

## Energy Smart Communities:

Under this Market Title, Oklahoma would sub-grant funds to local municipalities for energy efficiency measures. The scope of work is unknown and a NEPA review cannot be conducted at this time, therefore, the Market Title is conditioned.

## Management:

Under this Market Title, Oklahoma would utilize funding to support the continuing operation of SEP activities performed by Oklahoma personnel.

## Revolving Loan Fund:

Under this Market Title, the Revolving Loan Program, funded with appropriations from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, would be monitored through funding provided for the Management Market Title. The NEPA Template was signed for this Market Title, any projects that fall outside the bounded categories of the NEPA Template will be submitted for NEPA review/approval.

## Tulsa Clean Cities:

Under this Market Title, funding would be utilized to increase awareness of Clean Cities through meetings, events and published materials to support the program goals. It would also support outreach and education of private development for alternative fueling stations.

Based on a review of the activities that would be funded under "Energy Smart Communities" DOE has conditioned this Market Title Pending additional NEPA review. Based on a review of the activities that would be funded under "Association of Central Oklahoma Council of Governments," "Management," and "Tulsa Clean Cities" DOE has determined the projects that would be funded under these Market Titles will not significantly impact the human environment and they are categorically excluded from further NEPA review under CX A9 "information gathering," and CX A11 "technical advice." Any activities funded by the Revolving Loan Fund that fall outside the bounds of Oklahoma's Template for Expedited NEPA review are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

#### NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a conditional NEPA determination for this award, and funding for certain tasks under this award is contingent upon the final NEPA determination.

Insert the following language in the award:

You are restricted from taking any action using federal funds, which would have an adverse affect on the environment or limit the choice of reasonable alternatives prior to DOE/NNSA providing either a NEPA clearance or a final NEPA decision regarding the project.

Prohibited actions include:

This restriction does not preclude you from:

If you move forward with activities that are not authorized for federal funding by the DOE Contracting Officer in advance of the final NEPA decision, you are doing so at risk of not receiving federal funding and such costs may not be recognized as allowable cost share.

DOE has not made a NEPA determination for this award, and funding for this award is contingent upon the final NEPA determination.

Insert the following language in the award:

You are restricted from taking any action using federal funds, which would have an adverse affect on the environment or limit the choice of reasonable alternatives prior to DOE/NNSA providing either a NEPA clearance or a final NEPA decision regarding the project.

Prohibited actions include:

All activities under the Market Title: Energy Smart Communities are conditioned subject to further NEPA review.

Any activities funded by the Revolving Loan Program that fall outside the bounds of Oklahoma's Template for Expedited NEPA review are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

Any activities funded under the 2012 annual appropriations that involve ground-breaking activities, retrofits, or equipment purchase and/or installation are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

This restriction does not preclude you from:

Activities involving administrative actions, technical advice, education and outreach.

If you move forward with activities that are not authorized for federal funding by the DOE Contracting Officer in advance of the final NEPA decision, you are doing so at risk of not receiving federal funding and such costs may not be recognized as allowable cost share.

Note to Specialist :

Diana Scott 6.27.2012

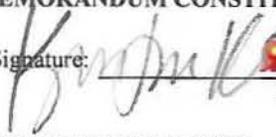
DOE Funds: \$421,000

Leveraged Funds: \$192,200

Total Project Cost: \$613,200

**SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.**

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Electronically Signed By: Kristin Kerwin  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 6/28/2012

**FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION**

Field Office Manager review required

**NCO REQUESTS THE FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:**

- Proposed action fits within a categorical exclusion but involves a high profile or controversial issue that warrants Field Office Manager's attention.
- Proposed action falls within an EA or EIS category and therefore requires Field Office Manager's review and determination.

**BASED ON MY REVIEW I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE NCO :**

Field Office Manager's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Field Office Manager

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

