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



RECIPIENT: WV Division of Energy

STATE: WV

**PROJECT TITLE :** WV State Formula Grant - FY 2012

<b>Funding Opportunity Announcement Number</b>	<b>Procurement Instrument Number</b>	<b>NEPA Control Number</b>	<b>CID Number</b>
DE-FOA-0000643	DE-EE0000285	GFO-0000285-001	

**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:

<b>A9 Information gathering, analysis, and dissemination</b>	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.)
<b>A11 Technical advice and assistance to organizations</b>	Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

**Rational for determination:**

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided \$334,000 of federal funds to the State of West Virginia under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. West Virginia will match the federal funding with \$48,276 in State funds and \$165,000 of petroleum violation escrows (PVE) funds. West Virginia will carry over \$173,427 of federal appropriations, for a total of \$720,703.

West Virginia proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

**Buildings Program:**

Under this Market Title, West Virginia would utilize funding for energy code training for residential and commercial buildings, through events for architects, engineers and contractors. West Virginia would continue to provide assistance and data input for Energy Star Portfolio Manager, for state agencies and units of local government. Funding would be used for continued assistance to county school systems to increase energy efficiency awareness and tools available to the school systems. The State would provide five grants up to \$10,000 to communities planning commercial or residential energy efficiency programs. The "Energy Efficiency in Local Communities" grant program would not fund retrofits, construction or equipment. The five grants would support energy education services to the community at large and targeted energy assessments within the communities.

**Electric Power and Renewable Energy Program:**

Under this Market Title, West Virginia would utilize funding for the continued support of a wind working group in partnership with Wind Powering America, a biomass working group in partnership with the Appalachian Hardwood Center, and a state solar energy conference in partnership with Shepherd University.

**Energy Education Program:**

Under this Market Title, West Virginia's Commerce Communications, a division within the WV Department of Commerce, would provide education and outreach on specific energy topics to state citizens.

**Industry Program:**

Under this Market Title, West Virginia would support annual student team projects in Mechanical Engineering and Chemical Engineering programs at West Virginia Institute of Technology and West Virginia University. The "Projects with Industry" program would not fund retrofits, construction or equipment. The proposed program would provide students with real world engineering training, working with plant managers on energy-related issues. West Virginia would conduct up to 10 assessments a year on industries that are either below or above the energy consumption criteria established by the DOE Industrial Assessment center. The State would conduct industrial assessment activities and carbon footprint evaluations through the E3 (economy, energy, and environment) program.

Policy, Planning and Energy Security:

Under this Market Title, West Virginia would provide funding to Marshall University's Center of Business and Economic Research for energy data support and documentation, policy recommendations, and expertise at a state-wide energy efficiency conference. Additionally, funding would be used to support the continuing operation of the SEP activities performed by West Virginia Division of Energy personnel.

Based on a review of the activities that would be funded under the above Market Titles, 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."

**NEPA PROVISION**

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

If you intend to make changes to the scope or objective of your project you are required to contact the Project Officer identified in Block 11 of the Notice of Financial Assistance Award before proceeding. You must receive notification of approval from the DOE Contracting Officer prior to commencing with work beyond that currently approved.

Note to Specialist :

Kelly Daigle 8.22.2012

DOE Funds: \$334,000  
Leveraged Funds: \$386,703  
Total Project Cost: \$720,703

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

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

Electronically Signed By: Lori Gray *Lori Gray*  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 8/22/2012

**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: \_\_\_\_\_