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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY NEPA DETERMINATION



RECIPIENT: Electricore Inc.

STATE: CA

PROJECT TITLE:

Southwest United States of America - Distributed Technology Training Consortia (SWUSA\_DTTC)

**Funding Opportunity Announcement Number** DE-FOA-0000856

Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number DE-EE0006339

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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.)

## Rationale for determination:

DOE is proposing to provide funding to Electricore, Inc. to bring together universities and other partners to create and/or modify existing curricula available to students and professionals in the form of university courses, short courses, videos, consortia-led training, and online materials. The goals of the proposed project are to create power and energy systems training, curricula, and workforce preparedness through the inclusion of data collection and analysis, power systems expertise, and application-specific training activities which build on fundamental principles, modeling and simulation tools, field-immersed training and methods of performance validation.

Proposed project activities would include planning, paper studies, outreach, classroom training, and information dissemination.

DOE has determined that this project is consistent with actions covered under DOE CX A9 (information gathering, dissemination, desktop research and classroom training) and CX A11 (Technical advice and planning assistance to local organizations); and therefore is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

## 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:

This NEPA Determination does not require a tailored NEPA provision.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM/CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.		0/11/2
NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:	Date:	9/16/2013
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