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



RECIPIENT:Purdue University

STATE: IN

PROJECT TITLE:

Development of method and algorithms to identify easily implementable energy-efficient

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number DE-FOA-0000560

DE-EE-0005768

Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number

GFO-0005768-001

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:

A9 Information and dissemination

Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, site visits, and gathering, analysis, 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:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide federal funding to Purdue University to develop methods, tools, and user friendly software to generate low-energy solutions for a large class of multicomponent distillation applications found in typical chemical and petrochemical plants. Project activities involve the development of computer software that would provide methods and algorithms for efficient multicomponent distillation configuration. The developed software would then be marketed for use by practicing process engineers for use to design their own distillation configurations.

Based on review of the project information, DOE has determined that project activities would not have a significant individual or cumulative impact to human health and/or environment. DOE has determined that these activities are consistent with actions contained in DOE categorical exclusion A9 "Information gathering, analysis, and dissemination," and 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:

Advanced Manufacturing Office This NEPA Determination does not require a tailored NEPA provision. Casey Strickland 12/09/14

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A	A RECORD	OF THIS DECISION.
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NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

12/10/2014

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION