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



RECIPIENT: Solar Retina, Ilc

STATE: DC

PROJECT TITLE SOLARRETINA™: Crowd-sourced PV data and distribution grid analytics for high-penetration solar

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number DE-FOA-0001225

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GFO-0007186-001

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 gathering,

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 analysis, and dissemination (including, but not limited to, document publication and distribution, and classroom training dissemination 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 Solar Retina LLC to take the SOLARRETINA platform from a demo, through alpha prototyping, to a commercially-ready beta version.

Proposed project activities would include the design and development of analytical software and would be limited exclusively to intellectual, academic, or analytical activities.

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

## 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:

Solar Energy Technologies Office

This NEPA determination does not require a tailored NEPA provision.

Review completed by Rebecca McCord 08/14/2015.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.