

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND NOTICE OF FLOODPLAIN ACTION

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) based on completion of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and floodplain analysis to describe and evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with the:

City of Montpelier Combined Heat and Power and District Energy System Montpelier, Vermont (DOE/EA 1814)

DOE's Golden Field Office has determined that providing funding under the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009* to support final design, construction, and initial operation of a combined heat and power (CHP) plant and district energy system to provide heat to State and City facilities in Montpelier, Vermont, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the *National Environmental Policy Act* (NEPA). The proposed CHP facility would be within the 100-year floodplain of the Winooski River. The FONSI and EA are available for review on the DOE Golden Field Office and DOE NEPA websites:

http://www.eere.energy.gov/golden/Reading_Room.aspx http://nepa.energy.gov/