RECORD OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION

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Title: Communication Tower Repairs

Description: The contractor shall replace all guy wires, hardware, flange bolts and fasteners at all levels of the Bryan Mound Department of Energy's 190-foot Communication tower. An air terminal will be installed. The port entry will be grounded and bonded. The vendor shall also ensure the proper operations of the strobe and its' controller through repair or replacement of it's components.

Regulatory Requirements National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Procedures (10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1021)

10 CFR 1021.410 (Application of Categorical Exclusions)

- (a) The actions listed in Appendices A and B of Subpart D are classes of actions that Department of Energy (DOE) has determined do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment (categorical exclusions).
- (b) To find that a proposal is categorically excluded, DOE shall determine the following:
 - (1) The proposed action fits within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix A or B of Subpart D;
 - (2) There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal; and
 - (3) The proposal is not "connected" (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(1)) to other actions with potentially significant impact, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(2)), and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

Appendix B (Categorical Exclusions Applicable to Specific Agency Actions) The proposed action <u>must not:</u>

- 1. Threaten a violation of statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including requirements of DOE and/or Executive Orders;
- 2. Require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities (including incinerators), but the proposal may include categorically excluded waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment actions or facilities;
- 3. Disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA)-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that preexist in the environment such that would be uncontrolled or un-permitted releases;
- 4. Have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources, which includes (i) property (sites, buildings, structures, and objects) of historical, archeological, or architectural significance; (ii) federally-listed and state-listed threatened or endangered species or their habitat, federally-protected marine mammals and essential fish habitat and otherwise federally-protected species; (iii) floodplains and wetlands; (iv) federally and state designated areas (wilderness areas, national parks, national monuments, national natural landmarks, wild and scenic rivers, wildlife refuges, scenic areas, and marine sanctuaries); (v) prime or unique farmland; (vi) special sources of water (sole-source aquifers, wellhead protection areas, and other vital water resources); and (vii) tundra, coral reefs, or rain forests); or
- 5. Involve genetically engineered organisms, synthetic biology, governmentally designated noxious weeds, or invasive species.

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Environmental Analysis: (mark all environmental aspects that are applicable to this project)

Air Emissions	Environmental Monitoring	Fire
Green Procurement	Project Design	Waste
Spills/Releases	Cavern Integrity	Discharges
Energy Use	Natural Resource Conservation	Water Use
Transportation	Chemical Use/Selection	Public Involvement
Sustainable Building	Electronic Stewardship	Wetlands Permitting
Clean Water	Pollution Prevention	

Categorical Exclusion (CX) Determination

NEPA review suggests this project is a Categorical Exclusion. This suggestion is based on review of the project description. If there are changes in the scope of this project additional NEPA review may be required.

CX to be applied B1.7

Acquisition, installation, operation, modification, and removal of electricity transmission control and monitoring devices for grid demand and response, communication systems, data processing equipment, and similar electronic equipment.

NEPA Approval

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under DOE Order 451.1) I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified actions, the other regulatory requirements set forth above are met, and the action is hereby excluded from further NEPA review.

Approved By

DOE NEPA Compliance Officer

Stephen Reese

NEPA Review Summary

Created By:

Dubuc, Matthew

11/12/2018

Type of NEPA Review:

Type B

Project ID Number:

Communication Tower Repairs

Title:

PR 10108496

Workflow Status:

Approved

If Workflow Status is Rejected, see below for Reason:

Concurrence Details:

Sevcik, Bob 11/13/2018

FFPO Environmental Concurrence Compliance Date

(not required for Type A-DOE Only Record of NEPA Review or Type B-DOE Only Record of Categorical Exclusion Determination)

Crosby, Thomas 11/12/2018

SPR Derivative Classifier Compliance Date

(only required for Type B)

Catyb, Joseph 11/13/2018

DOE ES&H Director (or Acting) Compliance Date

(only required for Type B & Type A-DOE Only

Record of NEPA Review)

Reese, Stephen 11/13/2018

DOE NEPA Compliance Officer (or Compliance Date

Acting)

ALL SIGNATURES WERE CAPTURED VIA THE ELECTRONIC WORKFLOW SYSTEM.

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