ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANTS NEPA COMPLIANCE FORM

Activities	Determination/ Categorical Exclusion	Reviewer's Specific Instructions and Rationale (Restrictions and Allowable Activity)
Activity 1 - Sunset Park Efficient Light Project	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause **This NEPA determination applies to the LED light project only.
Activity 2 - Hidalgo County, Pct 2 Multipurpose Building Renewable Energy Component	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause Historic Preservation Clause Engineering Clause
Activity 3 - Solar Power Retrofit of Multi-Purpose Facilities	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause Historic Preservation Clause Engineering Clause
Activity 4 - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Through the Installation of LED Lights	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause Historic Preservation Clause
Activity 5 - Passenger Rail Study	A9, A11	The NEPA determination is limited to studies only.
Activity 6 - Hidalgo County Recycles	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause Historic Preservation Clause
Activity 7 - Solar Powered Generators	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause Historic Preservation Clause Engineering Clause
Activity 8 - Solar Power Retrofit of Administration Building	B5.1	Waste Stream Clause Historic Preservation Clause Engineering Clause
Activity 9 - Hidalgo County Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy	A9, A11	None.

Additional Comments:

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

3/31/10

NEPA Compliance Officer Date

NEPA clause prepared by OCC [Melissa Rossiter 3/26/10]

You are restricted from taking any action using Federal funds, which would have an adverse effect on the environment or limit the choice of reasonable alternatives prior to DOE providing either a NEPA clearance or a final NEPA decision regarding this project.

If you move forward with activities that are not authorized for Federal funding by the DOE Contracting Officer in advance of the final NEPA decision, you are doing so at risk of not receiving Federal funding and such costs may not be recognized as allowable cost share.

DOE has made a conditional NEPA determination for this award, and funding for certain activities or tasks under this award is contingent upon the final NEPA determination:

Activity 1 - Sunset Park Efficient Light Project

Prohibited actions include: Demolition, construction, removal, installation or disposal activities, until such time that Recipient complies with the Waste Stream clause.

This restriction does not preclude Recipient from: (1) purchasing any necessary equipment or related materials; (2) conducting assessments, studies and other related administrative work

Activity 2 - Hidalgo County, Pct 2 Multipurpose Building Renewable Energy Component
Prohibited actions include: Demolition, construction, removal, installation or disposal activities, until such time that Recipient complies with the Waste Stream clause, Historic Preservation clause, and Engineering Clause.

This restriction does not preclude Recipient from: (1) purchasing any necessary equipment or related materials; (2) conducting assessments, studies and other related administrative work

Activity 3 - Solar Power Retrofit of Multi-Purpose Facilities
Prohibited actions include: Demolition, construction, removal, installation or disposal activities, until such time that Recipient complies with the Waste Stream clause, Historic Preservation clause, and Engineering Clause.

This restriction does not preclude Recipient from: (1) purchasing any necessary equipment or related materials; (2) conducting assessments, studies and other related administrative work

Activity 4 - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Through the Installation of LED Lights
Prohibited actions include: Demolition, construction, removal, installation or disposal activities, until such time that Recipient complies with the Waste Stream clause and Historic Preservation clause.

This restriction does not preclude Recipient from: (1) purchasing any necessary equipment or related materials; (2) conducting assessments, studies and other related administrative work

Activity 5 - Passenger Rail Study
DOE has made a final NEPA Determination for this activity, which is categorically excluded from further NEPA review. This categorical exclusion only applies to strategy development through studies, analyses, audits, fact or information gathering, and other similar report writing or administrative activities necessary to develop an energy efficiency and conservation strategy, and does not apply to any implementation activities.

Activity 6 - Hidalgo County Recycles

Prohibited actions include: Demolition, construction, removal, installation or disposal activities, until such time that Recipient complies with the Waste Stream clause.

This restriction does not preclude Recipient from: (1) purchasing any necessary equipment or related materials; (2) conducting assessments, studies and other related administrative work

Activity 7 - Solar Powered Generators
DOE has made a final NEPA Determination for this activity, which is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

Activity 8 - Solar Power Retrofit of Administration Building
Prohibited actions include: Demolition, construction, removal, installation or disposal activities, until such time that Recipient complies with the Waste Stream clause, Historic Preservation clause, and Engineering Clause.

This restriction does not preclude Recipient from: (1) purchasing any necessary equipment or related materials; (2) conducting assessments, studies and other related administrative work

Activity 9 - Hidalgo County Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy

DOE has made a final NEPA Determination for this activity, which is categorically excluded from further NEPA review. This categorical exclusion only applies to strategy development through studies, analyses, audits, fact or information gathering, and other similar report writing or administrative activities necessary to develop an energy efficiency and conservation strategy, and does not apply to any implementation activities.