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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
EERE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CENTER
NEPA DETERMINATION

RECIPIENT: Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships, Inc. **STATE:** MA

PROJECT TITLE : Achieving Regional Energy Efficiency Potential in the Northeast

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DNFA - REEOs	DE-EE0005825	GFO-0005825-001	GO5825

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:

A11 Technical advice and assistance to organizations	Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.
A9 Information gathering, analysis, and dissemination	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 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.)

Rational for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide federal funding to the Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships, Inc. (NEEP) to provide regional support and technical assistance for DOE Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) programs.

NEEP would support the EERE program areas of Advanced Manufacturing Office, Building Technologies Program, Office of Strategic Programs and Weatherization and Intergovernmental Programs. NEEP would utilize funding to collect best practices, case studies and data to provide the impact of EERE funds, provide technical assistance and training to public and private groups, analyze and revise policies, organize meetings, conferences and events, and prepare educational and outreach documents and webpages.

Based on review of the project information and the above analysis, DOE has determined the activities would not have a significant individual or cumulative impact to human health and/or environment. DOE has determined the proposed project is consistent with the actions contained in DOE categorical exclusion A9 "information gathering, analysis, and dissemination," and A11 "technical advice and assistance," 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 :

Any activities proposing to use federal or cost-share funds that involve ground-breaking activities, retrofits, or equipment purchase and/or installation are conditioned pending additional NEPA review. Any further projects will require a separate NEPA determination review.

Diana Scott 8.15.2012

DOE Funding: $1,685,000

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Electronically Signed By: Kristin Kerwin Date: 8/22/2012

NEPA Compliance Officer

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION

☐ Field Office Manager review required

NCO REQUESTS THE FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:

☐ Proposed action fits within a categorical exclusion but involves a high profile or controversial issue that warrants Field Office Manager's attention.

☐ Proposed action falls within an EA or EIS category and therefore requires Field Office Manager's review and determination.

BASED ON MY REVIEW I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE NCO :

Field Office Manager's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Field Office Manager