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

RECIPIENT: Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Division of Energy **STATE:** MO

PROJECT TITLE : Program Year 2012 Formula Grants

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000643	NT43268	GFO-0043268-001	

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, 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.)
A11 Technical advice and assistance to organizations	Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

Rational for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided $602,000 of federal funding to the State of Missouri under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. Missouri will match the federal funding with $150,574 in state funds and $4,300,000 in PVE-Stripper well funds. Additionally, Missouri will carryover $725,000 in federal appropriations, for a total of $5,777,574.

Missouri proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

Buildings:

Under this Market Title, funding would be used to reduce building energy costs by providing technical assistance and/or financial assistance to entities including K-12 schools, institutions of higher education, local governments and state agencies. Missouri would continue to manage the Building Operator Certification program for commercial and public building operators. Any activities funded under the 2012 annual appropriations that involve ground-breaking activities, retrofits, or equipment purchase and/or installation are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

Electric Power and Renewable Energy:

Under this Market Title, Missouri would provide technical assistance to residents, developers, utilities and other interested stakeholders about renewable energy resources, incentives and installation and the use of renewable energy systems. Staff would also implement Missouri's Renewable Energy Standard.

Energy Education:

Under this Market Title, funding would be used to provide educational opportunities about energy efficiency, energy sources and renewable energy through a variety of platforms to residents and businesses.

Industry:

Under this Market Title, Missouri would continue to provide technical assistance for the industrial energy efficiency sector. These activities would include assist and train engineering students in the completion of industrial energy assessments, participate in permit and pre-application meetings with industries, provide letters of support and technical assistance for USDA energy efficiency or renewable energy funding for the agricultural sector, and process Wood Energy Tax Credit program applications.

Policy, Planning, and Energy Security

Under this Market Title, funding would be used to continue the development and proposal of energy policies, legislation and regulations, to complete the annual update of the State Energy Assurance/Emergency Plan, and to continue energy planning activities including diversifying the State's energy portfolio.

Transportation:

Under this Market Title, Missouri would utilize funds to support, promote, and advocate the use of alternative fuels in state vehicles through education, outreach and technical assistance. This would include continued support of Clean Cities partners, metropolitan planning organizations and urban transit partnerships.

ARRA Financing Program: RLF-Schools and Local Government Energy Efficiency Loans:

Under this Market Title, Missouri would continue to provide administrative oversight of the Recovery funded revolving loan fund. A NEPA Template has been signed for this Market Title, any projects that fall outside the bounded categories of the NEPA Template will be submitted for NEPA review/approval. Any activities funded under the 2012 annual appropriations that involve ground-breaking activities, retrofits, or equipment purchase and/or installation are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

Based on a review of the activities that would be funded under the above Market Titles, DOE has determined the projects that would be funded under these Market Titles will not significantly impact human health and/or environment and they are categorically excluded from further NEPA review under CX A9 "information gathering," and CX A11 "technical advice."

NEPA PROVISION

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

Insert the following language in the award:

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

Prohibited actions include:
Any activities funded by the revolving loan program that fall outside the bounds of Missouri's Template for Expedited NEPA review are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.
Any activities under the funded under the 2012 annual appropriations that involve ground-breaking activities, retrofits, or equipment purchase and/or installation are conditioned pending additional NEPA review.

This restriction does not preclude you from:
Activities involving administrative activities, technical advice, education and outreach.
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.

Note to Specialist :

Diana Scott 8.22.2012

DOE Funds: $602,000
Leveraged Funds: $5,175,574
Total Project Cost: $5,777,574

From the Project Officer: At this time the ARRA RLF Market Title as described above has not been incorporated into Missouri's Annual Plan (Formula grant NT43268), as Missouri's ARRA grant # DE-EE0000131 has a Period of Performance (PoP) end date of 12/31/2012. Missouri will not be shifting administrative oversight of the RLF to this grant until the end of the ARRA PoP. Prior to this occurring, the Project Officer will work with the State to modify this grant to incorporate the RLF activity. The RLF Market Title narrative has been included in this NEPA review to simplify the process.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Electronically Signed By: Lori Gray / Lori Gray 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