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

RECIPIENT: Governor's Office of Energy Policy **STATE:** AZ

PROJECT TITLE : PY2012 SEP Formula Grant

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000643	DE-EE0003872	GFO-0003872-001	

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 $442,647 of federal funding to the Arizona State Energy Office (SEO) under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. The SEO will match the federal funding with $68,590 in state fundsfor a total of $511,237.

The SEO proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

Alternative Fuels:
Under this Market Title, the SEO would work with Clean Cities coalitions and commercial entities operating in the state to establish infrastructure for plug-in hybrid vehicle recharging. The SEO would also explore the possibility of using solar photovoltaics to recharge such vehicles during the day in covered parking structures.

Community Energy Program:
Under the Market Title rural Arizona communities and businesses would be provided energy education, technical assistance, and long-range planning to develop sustainable energy management through.

Education and Community Outreach:
Under this Market Title, the SEO would establish and maintain a website, provide a variety of energy-related information for state policy makers and Arizona residential consumers. Conferences, workshops, and educational and public forums would provide presentations and information to target audiences.

Energy Data, Analysis and Evaluation:
Under this Market Title, the SEO would compile Arizona-specific energy data on gasoline consumption, average prices, and EIA gasoline analysis. The SEO would monitor news articles to track energy-related programs, projects, companies and issues for daily or weekly email distribution for state policy makers and the general public.

Energy Efficient New Commercial Construction and Renovation:
Under this Market Title the SEO would develop partnerships with utilities and the green building community to provide training and technical assistance to building owners from various sectors.

Energy Efficient Schools:
Under this Market Title, the SEO would provide assistance and guidance to school districts in the development and implementation of energy efficiency strategies for school facilities.

Professional and Program Administrative Support:

Under this Market Title, funding would be used for administrative salaries, indirect costs, to provide support services, and fulfill fiduciary responsibilities for the FY12-13 SEP.

Renewable Energy:
Under this Market Title, funding would be used by the Governor's Office of Energy Policy to promote the development and utilization of renewable energy under the state's and federal incentive.

Residential Technical Transfer:
Under this Market Title, the "Whole House" concept would be promoted and would focus on the incorporation of basic building science techniques throughout the building process.

State Building Energy Efficiency Program:
Under this Market Title, the SEO would provide technical assistance to state government departments, agencies, universities and community colleges.

The market titles/programs funded under the SEP Formula grant are of an administrative nature and included in the description in the Market Titles/Annual Files. All funds will be used for program administration and coordination, salaries, fringe benefits, travel to conferences, office supplies, and the planning and development of education and outreach programs. No ground disturbing activities, construction or building retrofitting will occur with this funding

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 the human environment and they are categorically excluded from further NEPA review under CX A9 "information gathering" and CX A11 "technical advice." 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.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

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You are required to:
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Note to Specialist :

DOE funding - $442,647
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SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Kristi Ke Date: 6/25/2012
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