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

RECIPIENT: MA DEPT. OF ENERGY RESOURCES **STATE:** MA

PROJECT TITLE : STATE ENERGY PROGRAM (SEP)

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000643	R130372	GFO-0130372-001	

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:

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) provided $697,000 of federal funding to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. Massachusetts will match the federal funding with $149,400 in state funds, for a total of $896,400.

Massachusetts proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

Energy Emergency Planning-Energy Assurance Planning:

Under this Market Title, Massachusetts would develop a framework for state government to work with energy industries to prevent or reduce energy emergencies and be prepared to respond to emergencies, if they should occur.

Energy Market & Intelligence Trending:

Under this Market Title, Massachusetts would collect energy data being used by state agencies and create an energy database to standardize the collection, storage and analysis of historical and current energy information.

Renewable Energy:

Under this Market Title, funding would be used to distribute the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) regulation revisions pertaining to biomass, institute outreach and training on the implementation of the new biomass rules, evaluate and potentially implement regulation revisions to enhance the RPS Solar Carve-Out program.

SEP Mandatory Requirements:

Under this Market Title, Massachusetts would provide state-wide education on ways to decrease vehicle miles traveled, through the use of the NuRides program.

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."

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

Diana Scott 6.25.2012

DOE Funds: $697,000
Leveraged Funds: $149,400
Total Project Cost: $896,400

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____ 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