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

RECIPIENT:City of Fulton

STATE: MO

PROJECT TITLE : City of Fulton- Landfill Gas Generation

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number Procurement Instrument Number NEPA Control Number CID Number 0

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:

B5.1 Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy-efficiency that do not increase the indoor concentrations of potentially harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as builders, owners, consultants, designers), organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to: programmed lowering of thermostat settings, placement of timers on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and appliance efficiency ratings, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include rulemakings, standard-settings, or proposed DOE legislation.

Rational for determination:

The City of Fulton is proposing to use EECBG funding to purchase a 280kW generator to complete an existing landfill gas collection and electricity generation system at the City of Fulton Landfill. This use of EECBG funds has been approved and deemed exempt from NEPA review per the letter from Sara Wilson dated March 8, 2010.

After the date of the NEPA conditions lifted letter from Sara Wilson, the City of Fulton notified the project officer that there would be additional wells drilled at the landfill. The wells will be tied into the gas collection system. The drilling of the 11 additional wells is being funded entirely by the City, is required as part of the landfill closure regulations and is not included as part of the scope of the electricity generation system. Cumulative effects from the drilling of these wells and the purchase of the generator will be negligible.

The additional wells will not affect the decision to lift NEPA conditions that was made per the letter from Sara Wilson; therefore the purchase of the generator has been determined to be an action to conserve energy under B5.1 and is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 9/7/10

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