



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



Program or Field Office: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program

Project Title GA-City-Columbus

Location: City Columbus GA

Proposed Action or Project Description: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

1) Develop air quality campaign including pollution prevention audits for small businesses, weather forecasting, workshop outreach/education efforts, land-use transportation strategies, and public transportation audits; 2) low-income energy efficiency program to help provide energy efficiency measures, retrofits, and replacements for low income homes (e.g., rehabilitation of home, weatherstripping, caulking, ventilation improvements, solar screen installations, smoke detector installation, pipe wrapping, appliance replacements, HVAC improvement/replacements, and hot water heater replacements); 3) replacement of incandescent pedestrian signal heads with light-emitting diode (LED) pedestrian signals and traffic signal retrofits to LED; and 4) connection of traffic signals to traffic coordination centers (e.g., automated traffic management system).

Conditions: None

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A1, A9, A11, B1.32, B2.5, B5.1

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR10 21

This action would not: threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including DOE and/or Executive Orders; require siting, construction, or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, but may include such categorically excluded facilities; disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; or adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources (including but not limited to those listed in paragraph B.(4)) of Appendix B to Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021). Furthermore, there are no extraordinary circumstances related to this action that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the action; this action is not "connected" to other actions with potentially significant impacts, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts, and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession (or attached) concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under DOE Order 451.1B), I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified class(es) of action, the other regulatory requirements set forth above are met, and the proposed action is hereby categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

ORO NEPA Compliance Officer **Gary S. Hartman** Date Determined: 8/1/2012

Comments:

Webmaster: