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SUBJECT: FERMI SITE OFFICE (FSO) 2013 ANNUAL NATIONAL
ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA) PLANNING SUMMARY

Section 5(a) (7) of Department Of Energy Order 451.1B Change 2, NEPA Compliance Program, requires each Secretarial Officer and Head of Field Organization to submit an annual NEPA Planning Summary to the General Counsel. Per your December 7, 2012, memorandum and guidance provided on the Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (GC-54) web site, our Annual NEPA Planning Summary is attached. One Environmental Assessment (EA) is currently being prepared, no Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) are being prepared, and in consultation with Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (Fermilab) staff we have determined that no new EAs or EISs are expected to commence during the next 12 to 24 months. We have also determined that a site-wide EIS would not facilitate future NEPA compliance efforts at Fermilab.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (630) 840-3281 or have a member of your staff contact Rick Hersemann, at (630) 840-4122, or Peter Siebach, at (630) 252-2007.

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Michael J. Weis
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Enclosure:
As Stated

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Annual NEPA Planning Summary

Environmental Assessments Ongoing or Expected to be Prepared in the Next 12 Months

Office of Science – Fermi Site Office

January 31, 2013

Title, Location, Document Number	Estimated Cost	Estimated Schedule (NEPA Milestones)		Description
Environmental Assessment for the Long Baseline Neutrino Experiment (LBNE), Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, Batavia, IL (DOE/EA-1943)	\$500,000	EA Determination Date:	9/21/2012	LBNE would use the existing Main Injector Accelerator at Fermilab to produce a pure beam of muon neutrinos. The neutrinos would be examined at a "far detector" to be constructed on the ground surface at the Sanford Underground Research Facility (SURF) located in Lead, South Dakota. If funding becomes available, a "near detector" would be proposed to be constructed at Fermilab, and a "far detector" would be proposed to be constructed at the 4850 level in the mine at SURF. A determination to prepare an EA was made on 9/21/2012. Selection of a NEPA contractor is expected in January 2013.
		Transmittal to State:	TBD	
		EA Approval:	TBD	
		FONSI:	TBD	
	Total Estimated Cost			
	\$500,000			