



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



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

Project Title AZ-City-Avondale

Location: City Avondale AZ

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

1) Hire auditors to conduct energy audits of older city buildings; 2) permit fee credit for solar/wind energy systems; 3) rebate/incentive program for homeowners to make energy efficiency improvements; 4-5) replace high pressure sodium lights with LED fixtures; 6) host public fair to educate the community about energy efficiency; 7) LEED training for development services staff; 8) solar power purchase agreement; 9) renovate/retrofits to City Hall Building (>50 years)—HVAC replacements, new fluorescent lighting, replacing windows, and exterior painting; 10) energy efficiency management system (web site, cable channel, etc.) and software system and sensors that interact with energy management system; 11) retrofit signs on municipal buildings from neon to light emitting diode; and 12) install solar photovoltaic panels on parking lot shade structures (educational exhibit) at City Hall Building.

Conditions: Historic preservation clause applies to this application (City Hall >50 years)

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: 3/15/2012

Comments:

Webmaster: