



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



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

Project Title IA-City-Dubuque

Location: City Dubuque IA

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

1) Development and implementation of an energy audit grant program for commercial and residential properties, 2) development of a program to fund energy audits for municipal buildings, 3) establishment of a self-sustaining revolving loan fund to finance energy efficiency upgrades to municipal buildings, 4) establishment of a self-sustaining revolving loan fund for energy efficiency upgrades for commercial property owners and small business tenants, 5) establishment of a energy efficiency improvements grant program for homeowners and landlords, 6) implementation of the "Smart City" program to maximize energy use efficiency in all sectors, 7) development and implementation of a sustainability education and training program, 8) development and implementation of programs to reduce energy consumption associated with mobility and transportation, 9) funding of a Sustainable Community Coordinator staff position, and 10) building retrofits which includes replacement of City Hall HVAC system and install energy efficiency lighting in City Hall, Grand River Center, and Five Flags Convention Center.

Conditions: Historic preservation clause applies to this application (City Hall [1857])

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 **James L. Elmore** Date Determined: 3/31/2011

Comments:

Webmaster:

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