



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



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

Project Title NY-County-Ulster

Location: County Ulster NY

Proposed Action or Project Description

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

1) Administration, support, and oversight of programs/plans under the Ulster County Government Energy Policy and development of a sustainability website; 2) conduct comprehensive energy audits; 3) engineering design for replacement of existing street lighting fixtures/poles with LED and solar; 4) installation of photovoltaic solar system on existing roof at substation material storage facility; 5) installation of a solar-powered sign at the fairgrounds entrance; and 6) replace cooling towers on the County Mental Health Building (1987) and County Department of Public Works Building (1978) and upgrade lighting at the County Court House (1789).

Conditions: Historic preservation clause applies to this application (County Court House-1789)

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

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021

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: 1/11/2011

Comments:

Webmaster: