RECORD OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION

Project ID No. BC-MM-575A (GFE) and 575 (Install)

Title: Upgrade Communication/Control Systems to BC Brine Disposal Well (GFE & Install)

Description: Subcontractor shall provide remote operations control equipment as Government Furnished Equipment (GFE) associated with BC-MM-575A to upgrade control systems at the BC brine disposal wells.

Subcontractor shall provide all labor, tools, materials, equipment (except GFE), and supervision to perform the work associated with BC-MM-575 to upgrade control systems at the BC brine disposal wells. The de-energizing/re-energizing of the Remote Operation Controller and software configuration/programming will be performed by the M&O Contractor. Subcontractor shall recover the material and equipment being dismantled, removed and/or demolished that has been identified as Government Salvage and deliver to the Government's onsite representative.

Regulatory Requirements: NEPA Implementing Procedures (10 CFR 1021)

10 CFR 1021.410 (Application of Categorical Exclusions)

(a) The actions listed in Appendices A and B of Subpart D are classes of actions that DOE has determined do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment (categorical exclusions).

(b) To find that a proposal is categorically excluded, DOE shall determine the following:

(1) The proposed action fits within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix A or B of Subpart D;

(2) There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal; and

(3) The proposal is not "connected" (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(1)) to other actions with potentially significant impact, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(2)), and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

Appendix B (Categorical Exclusions Applicable to Specific Agency Actions)

The proposed action must not:

1. Threaten a violation of statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including requirements of DOE and/or Executive Orders.
2. Require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, but the proposal may include categorically excluded waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment actions.
3. Disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and /natural gas products that preexist in the environment such that would be uncontrolled or un-permitted releases; or
4. Adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources.

Categorical Exclusion to be applied: B1.7

Acquisition, installation, operation, and removal of communication systems, data processing equipment, and similar electronic equipment.

Signature on file
Approved by SPRPMO
NEPA Compliance Officer

11/23/10
Determination Date