Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Policy 451.1), I have made the following determination:

**CX, EA, EIS APPENDIX AND NUMBER:**

**Description:**

Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, site visits, and, and audits); data analysis (including, but not limited to, computer modeling, document preparation (including, but not limited to, conceptual design, feasibility studies, and analytical energy supply and demand studies), and information dissemination (including, but not limited to, document publication and distribution, and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring. (See also 3.5.1 of appendix B in this subject.)

**Rationale for determination:**

This proposed action is not connected to other actions with potentially significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(1)).

**NEPA PROVISION**

DOE has made a conditional NEPA determination.

The NEPA Determination applies to the following Topic Area, Budget Periods, and/or tasks:

**FOR CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATIONS**

The proposed action (or the part of the proposal defined in the Rationale above) fits within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix A or B to 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D. To fit within the classes of actions listed in 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix B, a proposal must be one that would not (1) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, or similar requirements of DOE or Executive Orders; (2) require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities (including incineration), but the proposal may include categorically excluded waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment actions or facilities; (3) disturb, construct, modification, operation, and/or discontinuation of facilities for small-scale research and development projects; conventional laboratory operations (such as preparation of chemical standards and sample analyses); and small-scale pilot projects (generally less than 2 years) frequently conducted to verify a concept before demonstration actions, provided that demonstration or modification would be within or contiguous to a previously disturbed or developed area (where active sites and currently used roads are readily accessible). Not included in this category are demonstration actions, meaning actions that are undertaken at a scale to show whether a technology would be viable on a larger scale and suitable for commercial deployment.

**A completed EQ is required for the TBD location sites/charging stations. A separate NEPA review is required for the TBD location sites. This CX covers all activities except the TBD location sites.**

**NOTES**

This project number and recipient have previously received a CX on previous work. This new CX has been signed due to the recipient having multiple NEPA determinations. As noted by the NEPA Control Number NETL-000825-0032, this is the thirty-second CX associated with the initial award.

**SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.**

Field Office Manager review not required.

Field Office Manager review required.

**DATE:**

Field Office Manager's Signature: 3/9/2022

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

NEPA DETERMINATION

PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER:

DE-FOA-0009225

Procurement Instrument Number:

NETL-0000025-0032

CID Number:

0009225

**RECIPIENT:** Virginia Department of Energy (formerly DMME)

**STATE:** VA

**PROJECT TITLE:** The Mid-Atlantic Electrification Partnership: An Electrification Ecosystem of Intermodal Leadership and Intercity Travel

**Funding Opportunity Announcement Number:**

DE-FOA-0009225-0032

**NEPA Control Number:**

NETL-000825-0032

**SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.**