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Dr. Peter B. Littlewood  
Director, Argonne National Laboratory  
President, UChicago Argonne, LLC  
9700 South Cass Avenue  
Argonne, IL 60439

Dear Dr. Littlewood:

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA) DETERMINATION FOR  
ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY (ARGONNE)

The Argonne Site Office (ASO) has approved the following as a categorical exclusion (CX) under Appendix B (to 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D, Integrated DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures, December 1996), Category B 1.15 "Support Buildings."

---Argonne's Washington, DC Office Renovation, ASO-CX-319

Therefore, no further NEPA review is required. However, if any modification or an expansion of the scope is made to the above project, additional NEPA review will be necessary.

Enclosed please find a copy of the approved Environmental Review Form (ERF) for the project. If you have any questions, please contact Kaushik Joshi of my staff at (630) 252-4226.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joanna M. Livengood". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Joanna M. Livengood  
Manager

Enclosure:  
As Stated

cc: J. Stauber, ANL, w/encl.  
D. Ohrnstein, ANL, w/encl.  
M. Finder, ANL, w/encl.  
P. Matton, ANL, w/encl.  
K. Joshi, ASO, w/encl.  
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## Environmental Review Form for Argonne National Laboratory

**Project/Activity Title:** Washington DC ANL office renovation (at 955 LeEnfant Plaza)

**ASO NEPA Tracking No.** 2217 ASO-CX-319 **Type of Funding:** \_\_\_\_\_

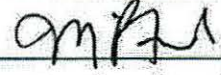
**B&R Code** \_\_\_\_\_


**Identifying number:** 01529 **WFO proposal #** \_\_\_\_\_ **CRADA proposal #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Project #** \_\_\_\_\_ **ANL accounting # (item 3a in Field Work Proposal)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other (explain)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Manager:** Daniel J. Ohrnstein **Signature:**  **Date:** 7-1-15

**NEPA Owner:** Michael P. Finder **Signature:**  **Date:** 7-1-2015

**ANL NEPA Reviewer:** Joel V. Stauber **Signature:**  **Date:** 7/1/15

**I. Description of Proposed Action:** This action will construct a 62 person multi-purpose conference room and lobby renovation within the existing 13,452 square foot office space. Existing wall systems will be removed and replaced in order to reconfigure for a new multipurpose training conference space. The lobby entry space will be also be renovated.

**II. Description of Affected Environment:** The effected environment is the existing Argonne National Laboratory Washington DC office interior. All work will be interior work. No work will occur outside of the office space.

**III. Potential Environmental Effects:** (Attach explanation for each "yes" response.)

**A. Complete Section A for all projects.**

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| 1. Project evaluated for Pollution Prevention and Waste Minimization opportunities and details provided under items 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 16, and 20 below, as applicable | Yes _____ | No <u>X</u> |
| 2. Air Pollutant Emissions   | Yes _____ | No <u>X</u> |
| 3. Noise   | Yes _____ | No <u>X</u> |
| 4. Chemical/Oil Storage/Use  | Yes _____ | No <u>X</u> |
| 5. Pesticide Use   | Yes _____ | No <u>X</u> |

6. Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Yes  No
7. Biohazards Yes  No
8. Effluent/Wastewater (If yes, see question #12 and contact  
Gregg Kulma (FMS-SEP) at 2-9147 or gkulma@anl.gov) Yes  No
9. Waste Management
- a) Construction or Demolition Waste Yes  No   
*Construction waste will be generated and discarded in ordinary dumpsters.*
- b) Hazardous Waste Yes  No
- c) Radioactive Mixed Waste Yes  No
- d) Radioactive Waste Yes  No
- e) PCB or Asbestos Waste Yes  No
- f) Biological Waste Yes  No
- g) No Path to Disposal Waste Yes  No
- h) Nano-material Waste Yes  No
10. Radiation Yes  No
11. Threatened Violation of ES&H Regulations or Permit Requirements Yes  No   
*Building permit required from Washington DC.*
12. New or Modified Federal or State Permits Yes  No
13. Siting, Construction, or Major Modification of Facility to Recover,  
Treat, Store, or Dispose of Waste Yes  No
14. Public Controversy Yes  No
15. Historic Structures and Objects Yes  No
16. Disturbance of Pre-existing Contamination Yes  No
17. Energy Efficiency, Resource Conserving,  
and Sustainable Design Features Yes  No

**B. For projects that will occur outdoors, complete Section B as well as Section A.**

18. Threatened or Endangered Species, Critical Habitats, and/or other Protected Species Yes  No
19. Wetlands Yes  No
20. Floodplain Yes  No
21. Landscaping Yes  No
22. Navigable Air Space Yes  No
23. Clearing or Excavation Yes  No
24. Archaeological Resources Yes  No
25. Underground Injection Yes  No
26. Underground Storage Tanks Yes  No
27. Public Utilities or Services Yes  No
28. Depletion of a Non-Renewable Resource Yes  No

**C. For projects occurring outside of ANL complete Section C as well as Sections A and B.**

29. Prime, Unique, or Locally Important Farmland Yes  No
30. Special Sources of Groundwater (such as sole source aquifer) Yes  No
31. Coastal Zones Yes  No
32. Areas with Special National Designations (such as National Forests, Parks, or Trails) Yes  No
33. Action of a State Agency in a State with NEPA-type Law Yes  No
34. Class I Air Quality Control Region Yes  No

**IV. Subpart D Determination: (to be completed by DOE/ASO)**

Are there any extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal? Yes  No

Is the project connected to other actions with potentially significant impacts or related to other proposed action with cumulatively significant impacts? Yes  No

If yes, is a categorical exclusion determination precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

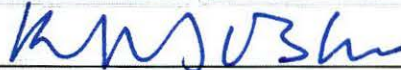
Can the project or activity be categorically excluded from preparation of an Environment Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement under Subpart D of the DOE NEPA Regulations?

Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, indicate the class or classes of action from Appendix A or B of Subpart D under which the project may be excluded. Appendix B, B 1.15 Support Buildings.

If no, indicate the NEPA recommendation and class(es) of action from Appendix C or D to Subpart D to Part 1021 of 10 CFR.

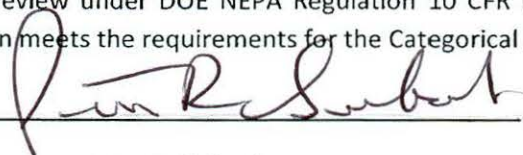
**ASO NEPA Coordinator Review: Kaushik Joshi**

Signature: 

Date: 7-13-2015

**ASO NCO Approval of CX Determination:**

The preceding pages are a record of documentation that an action may be categorically excluded from further NEPA review under DOE NEPA Regulation 10 CFR Part 1021.400. I have determined that the proposed action meets the requirements for the Categorical Exclusion identified above.

Signature: 

Date: 7/15/2015

Peter R. Siebach  
Argonne Site Office NCO

**ASO NCO EA or EIS Recommendation:**

Class of Action: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Peter R. Siebach  
Argonne Site Office NCO

**Concurrence with EA or EIS Recommendation:**

CH GLD: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ASO Manager Approval of EA or EIS Recommendation:**

An  EA  EIS shall be prepared for the proposed \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ shall serve as the document manager.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Joanna M. Livengood  
Manager