

LAC-IEE-04-51

ENVIRONMENTAL THRESHOLD DECISION

Activity Location: Haiti

Activity Title: Haitian Entrepreneurs and Artisans Restore Trade

(HEARTH)

Activity Number: 521-0256

Funding: US\$500,000

Life of Project: FY 2004-2005 (one year)

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Recommended Threshold Decision: Categorical Exclusion/Negative Determination with

Conditions

Bureau Threshold Decision: Concur with Recommendation

Comments:

Under the components of this program that are basically technical assistance, training, and marketing/promotion, there will be no negative impact on the physical environment or any significant risk to the welfare of the surrounding community as well as non-target organisms. However the other component, i.e. recycling of solid waste, can have potential negative impacts unless the guidelines and mitigating measures in the attached IEE are carefully followed.

Therefore, per 22CFR216.2(c)(1)(i)&(ii), a **Categorical Exclusion** is issued for activities involving technical assistance and training for activities like marketing and promotion, which will have no direct effect on the environment, and thus are eligible for a categorical exclusion.

A **Negative Determination with conditions** is issued for activities involving recycling of solid waste. The conditions are that all best management practices, mitigating measures, and

guidelines recommended in the attached IEE will be carefully followed by the implementing agent.

CTOs are responsible for making sure environmental requirements are met, especially the conditions set in the IEE. It is the responsibility of the SO Team to ensure that the SOAG and MAARDs for contracts and grants contain specific instructions to this effect.

The Mission Environmental Officer (MEO) will conduct spot checks to ensure that conditions in the IEE and this ETD are met and to ensure that all activities are implemented in an environmentally sound and sustainable manner in full accordance with all salient Agency and USG policies and regulations.

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