

Notice of Exemption

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From: California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-48
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Applicant: Olam West Coast, Inc.

Project Title: Firebaugh Electric Onion Powder Toaster Project

Project Location – Specific: 47641 W Nees Ave

Project Location – City: Firebaugh 93622 **Project Location – County:** Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to install and operate an electric onion drying and toasting system at the recipient's dried and dehydrated food manufacturing facility in Firebaugh, CA. The new electric system will replace the current natural gas fueled onion toasting system to support sustainability goals, reduce GHG emissions, and serve as a model for other facilities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Olam West Coast, Inc.

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial Exemption (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number
Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project will involve minor alteration of existing mechanical equipment at an existing food processing facility in Firebaugh, CA. This project will also, replace existing, aging equipment with new equipment at existing facilities. The equipment to be replaced in the project includes an onion toasting system at the Recipient's dried and dehydrated food production facility. These replacements will not have a significant effect on the environment and fall under the "repair, maintenance...or minor alteration of existing structure, facilities, mechanical equipment...which involves negligible or no expansion of use" criteria listed in Categorical Exemption 14 C.C.R. §15301.

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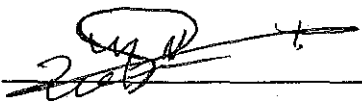
Lead Agency

Contact Person: Cyrus Ghandi

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If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: 

Date: 3/11/19 Title: Associate Energy Specialist

Signed by Responsible Agency

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.