

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

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

Project Applicant: Gas Technology Institute

Project Title: Smart Shutoff Technology for Residential and Commercial Buildings

Project Location – Specific: Existing residential and commercial buildings in a California natural gas service territory.

Project Location – City: TBD **Project Location – County:** TBD

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will develop, test, and demonstration smart gas shutoff technology in existing residential and/or commercial buildings. The smart shutoff safety system will provide additional layers of protection during a hazardous event and the ability to terminate gas flows.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Gas Technology Institute

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:

Categorical exemption section 15301 exempts projects consisting of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. This project is exempt under 15301: Existing Facilities, because it will develop, test, and demonstrate gas shutoff valves at existing residential and commercial buildings. Project activities involve operation and minor alteration of existing buildings with no expansion of existing or former use.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Yahui Yang **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-327-2224

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

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

Signature: 

Date: 4/13/2020

Title: ME

- Signed by Responsible Agency
- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

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