

Notice of Exemption

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

Project Applicant: Baker Commodities, Inc.

Project Title: Kerman Energy Efficiency Upgrade Program (KEE-UP) Phase 2

Project Location - Specific: 16801 W Jensen Ave

Project Location - City: Kerman 93630 Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will install energy efficient equipment including high efficiency boiler with emissions control and a regenerative thermal oxidizer at the Baker Commodities facility in Kerman, CA. The energy efficient equipment will replace existing, inefficient equipment resulting in reduced greenhouse gas emissions.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Baker Commodities, 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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number
Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15302 ; Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15303
Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 2 projects consist of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. This project will involve replacement of existing mechanical equipment at an existing food processing facility and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity with the replacement equipment. The energy efficiency upgrades consists of a boiler, selective catalytic reduction for emissions control, regenerative thermal oxidizer, and associated mechanical and electrical components. For these reasons, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and falls under the categorical exemption listed in 14 C.C.R. 15302.

Additionally, this project involves the construction, location, and installation of new, small facilities, structures, and equipment. In order to perform the demonstration, the system must be installed at the demonstration site. The installation will require minimal construction activity. The equipment will be placed within the existing industrial facility. It is possible additional small concrete pads will be poured or small enclosures will be built for supporting

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

systems such as electrical support equipment. This minimal construction is well within the size limits listed in the examples given in 14 C.C.R. 15303 (e.g., it is less than a single-family residence, duplex, and the 2,500 square feet - or 10,000 square feet in urban areas - for a store, motel, office, restaurant, or similar structure). This construction will not have a significant impact on local air quality, noise, or traffic and will not induce additional operations at the site. For these reasons, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and falls under the categorical exemption listed in 14 C.C.R. 15303.

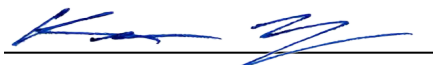
Each exemption is an independent basis for finding the project exempt.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Kevin Uy **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-327-1533

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:** 06/11/2020 **Title:** Mechanical Engineer

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

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Jun 12 2020

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

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