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From: California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-48
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Project Applicant: Center for Sustainable Energy

Project Title: Developing Lessons Learned, Best Practices, Training Materials, and Guidebooks for Customer Side of the Meter Energy Storage

Project Location:

<u>Address</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
1111 Broadway Fl 3	Oakland 94607	Alameda
3980 Sherman St Ste 170	San Diego 92110	San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE) will create an Electronic Energy Storage Guidebook (Guidebook) to help Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJs) fully understand and conduct a comprehensive permitting review, approval and inspection process for behind-the-meter energy storage technologies. CSE will perform interviews with AHJs and stakeholders to gather feedback on their lessons learned and best practices that will form the framework for the Guidebook. After completing the Guidebook, CSE will develop training materials and work with leading AHJ and industry stakeholders to deliver comprehensive trainings throughout California.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Center for Sustainable Energy

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, § 15306
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project consists of information gathering and analysis based on research and input from paper studies and stakeholder workshops with local governments, Authorities Having Jurisdiction, industry representatives, state agencies, and end-use customers. No construction will be conducted for this project. This falls into the categorical exemption Cal. Code Regs., tit 14 Section 15306: Information Collection, because it meets all of the following criteria: 1) Consist of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities; and 2) Which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Quenby Lum **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-327-1492

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: Quenby Lum **Date:** 6/17/2020 **Title:** CAJ

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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Signed by Responsible Agency

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____