

# Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** California Energy Commission  
1516 9<sup>th</sup> Street, MS-6  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Project Title:** Blueprint to Plug-In Porterville project ("Plug-In Porterville")

**Project Applicant:** CALSTART, Inc

**Project Location - Specific:** TBD

**Project Location - City:** City of Porterville

**Project Location - County:** Tulare

### Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will consist of developing a planning document for possible, future deployment of zero emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and related infrastructure equipment.

Beneficiaries will include residents in California.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Energy Commission

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** CALSTART, Inc.

### Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Cal. Code Reg.s, tit. 14, section 15306 ("Information Collection")
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Reasons why project is exempt:

Cal. Code Regs, tit. 14, §15306, Information Collection, provides that projects which consist of basic data collection, research and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. This project consists of developing a planning document for possible, future deployment of zero emission vehicles and related infrastructure equipment. The project will not cause direct physical changes to the environment, and there will be no physical construction. This project involves data collection, technology assessment, public outreach, administrative coordination efforts, planning, and similar activities. Therefore, the proposed project will have no significant effect on the environment and is categorically exempt under section 15306.

### Responsible Agency

Contact Person: Natarajan "Raja" Ramesh Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (240) 586-0724

### 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: Natarajan Ramesh Date: 10/5/2021 Title: Air Pollution Specialist

- Signed by Responsible Agency
- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: 10/5/2021
- Signed by Applicant