To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: California Energy Commission

715 P Street Sacramento, CA

Project Title: MHX Intermodal ZEV Blueprint for Heavy Goods Movement

Project Applicant: MHX, LLC

Project Location - Specific: <u>22707 S Wilmington Avenue</u>

Project Location - City: _Carson, CA 90745 Project Location - County: _Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Under grant agreement ZVI-21-001 with MHX, LLC, the California Energy Commission (CEC) is funding a portion of costs for developing a blueprint planning document for possible, future deployment of zero emission medium- and heavy-duty (MD/HD) vehicles and related infrastructure equipment for both electric charging and hydrogen refueling technologies.

Beneficiaries will include MD/HD vehicle owners and independent owner-operators, including, but not limited to, individuals living along the I-710 highway corridor in Southern California. Additional beneficiaries include residents in California.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: <u>MHX, LLC</u>
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.

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Responsible Agency		
Contact Person: _Matthew Kozuch	Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916)-477-1564	
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: Matthew Kazuch Date:	11/16/2021 Title: Air Pollution Specialist	

☐ Signed by Responsible Agency	
☐ Signed by Lead Agency	Date received for filing at OPR:
☐ Signed by Applicant	