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

Project Applicant: The Regents of the University of California, on behalf of the Davis Campus

Project Title: Heavy-Duty Vehicle Electrification and its Potential as a Clean Energy Alternative for Critical Operations

Project Location – Specific: 200 Burma Rd

Project Location – City: Oakland 94607 **Project Location – County:** Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will improve and demonstrate bidirectional charging technologies for heavy-duty electric vehicles to provide demand-management and backup power to critical operations at a government fleet facility in Oakland benefiting the fleet operator and the local electric grid.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: The Regents of the University of California, on behalf of the Davis Campus

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, § 15303 ; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15304
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sec. 15303 provides that projects which consist of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure, are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. This project consists of installation of new electric vehicle charging stations that will not result in serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. Therefore, the project falls within section 15303 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sect. 15304 provides that projects which consist of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. In this project, minor trenching may be necessary to install bidirectional charger(s) in the demonstration site parking lot and associated electrical modifications to the property's main building. Specifically, approximately 110 ft of

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

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trenching as well as installation of bollards to protect the chargers may need to be dug in a currently asphalt-covered area, with no removal of trees. Therefore, the project falls within section 15304 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency

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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:** 07/14/2022 **Title:** EGSPS1

Signed by Responsible Agency

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____