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From: California Energy Commission
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Project Applicant: Pacific Coast Producers

Project Title: Pacific Coast Producers Woodland Condensate Recovery

Project Location – Specific: 1376 Lemen Ave

Project Location – City: Woodland 95776 Project Location – County: Yolo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The California Energy Commission will provide a \$890,500 grant to Pacific Coast Producers (Recipient) to fund the project. The Recipient will install a steam condensate recovery system to capture and repurpose waste condensate during the canning sterilization stage at the Recipient's tomato processing facility in Woodland, California. The new system will reduce GHG emissions, gas use, water consumption, and operating costs. Beneficiaries include Pacific Coast Producers and local communities around the Recipient's tomato processing facility (with decrease of GHG emissions).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Pacific Coast Producers

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, § 15301 ; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15302
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

14 C.C.R. § 15301. This project will involve minor alteration of existing mechanical equipment at an existing food processing facility in Woodland, CA. The project will repair existing inefficient steam cookers in addition to installing a steam condensate recovery system. This may involve modifying existing steam lines and concrete work at the recipient's tomato processing facility. The installation will involve minor alteration of existing mechanical equipment with no expansion beyond the existing use of the food processing facility and will not have significant effect on the environment. The project falls under categorical exemption listed in 14 C.C.R. § 15301.

14 C.C.R. § 15302. This project involves the replacement of existing mechanical equipment at an existing food processing facility in Woodland, CA. This project will replace existing inefficient equipment at an existing food processing facility to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. The new equipment will be

located on the same site as the equipment replaced and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the equipment replaced. The project falls under categorical exemption listed in 14 C.C.R. § 15302.

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

The project will not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; does not involve any cumulative impacts of successive projects of the same type in the same place that might be considered significant; does not involve unusual circumstances that might have a significant effect on the environment; will not result in damage to scenic resources within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; the project site is not included on any list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5; and the project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Therefore, none of the exceptions to categorical exemptions listed in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply to this project, and this project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Matthew Stevens **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 919-916-0133

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 Stevens **Date:** 05/16/2023 **Title:** ME

Signed by Responsible Agency

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____