

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO: Contra Costa County
Clerk-Recorder's Office
555 Escobar Street
Martinez, CA 94553**

**FROM: Bay Area Air Quality
Management District
375 Beale Street, Suite 600
San Francisco, CA 94105**

**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 21152(b) AND CEQA
GUIDELINES SECTION 15062.**

**PROJECT TITLE: CORTEVA AGRISCIENCE – PITTSBURG OPERATIONS – ISSUANCE OF AUTHORITY TO
CONSTRUCT FOR INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A PORTABLE EMERGENCY STANDBY
DIESEL FIRE PUMP, S-745 (APPLICATION 32033).**

Public Agency Approving Project (Lead Agency): Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District),
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Project Applicant and Entity carrying out Project: Corteva Agriscience – Pittsburg Operations (Corteva).

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Project Location: 901 Loveridge Road Pittsburg, **Contra Costa County**, CA 94565. Nearest cross street:
Pittsburg Waterfront Road (note, source may be used throughout facility).

Project Description:

This permit action is to permit the installation and operation of a portable emergency standby diesel fire
pump:

S-745 Portable Emergency Standby Diesel Fire Pump
 Make: Caterpillar Inc., Model: C-18, Model Year: 2020
 Family: LCPXL18.1HXF, Horsepower 800 BHP, Fuel Rate: 41.7 Gal/Hour
 Heat Input Rating: 5.71 MMBtu/hr

Permit Condition No. 100189: specifies what circumstances allow the engine to be used, requires a non-
resettable meter to be maintained on the engine, requires recordkeeping, and limits the annual usage for
maintenance and testing.

Finding of Exemption:

The Air District has determined that this permit action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 because the project involves only a minor change to an existing facility, resulting in no or a negligible expansion of the existing use.

Basis for Exemption:

This permit application is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Class 1: Existing Facilities – CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 since there will be only a negligible expansion of existing use. The existing use of the facility on which the generator will be installed and operated is a chemical manufacturing plant. This additional engine and the structure associated with it is a negligible expansion of that use and the engine will only be used for the purpose of providing power to a fire suppression water pump within the facility in the event of an emergency. Further, based on the review of the permit application materials, including Appendix H, environmental information form, the project will not have any significant environmental impacts, and cumulative impacts from successive projects of the same type in the same place will not result in significant environmental impacts. The Air District does not expect there to be successive projects similar to this one at this same place since this engine will satisfy the need for fire prevention throughout the facility.



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Date