

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: Port of Long Beach
Environmental Planning Division
415 West Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802

Project Title: Natural Gas Pipeline Capping – Harbor Development Permit No. 23-078
State Clearinghouse No:
Project Applicant: Southern California Gas Company
Project Location – Specific: 785 Edison Avenue; Harbor District 2 – Northeast Harbor
Project Location – City: Long Beach, California **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Excavate approximately 4-feet x 2-feet x 3-feet to cap the valve of an existing underground natural gas pipeline located within Southern California Edison private property.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Port of Long Beach
Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: Southern California Gas Company

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial Exemption [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption.

State type and section number: Section 15301 Existing Facilities and Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land

- Statutory Exemption.
State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1): The Class 1 Categorical Exemption consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use including demolition and removal of individual accessory (appurtenant) structures. The project consists of capping an existing natural gas pipeline at an existing facility involving negligible or no expansion of use.

Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land (Class 4): The Class 4 Categorical Exemption consists 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 or agricultural purposes and backfilling where the surface is restored. The Project involves excavation to cap the valve of an underground natural gas pipeline and backfilling where the surface will be restored.

The Port has determined that none of the exceptions to the exemptions in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15300.2 foreclose the use of Categorical Exemption CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land); therefore the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.

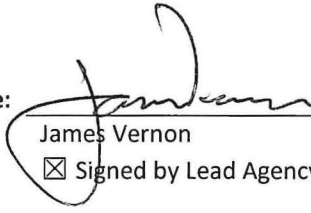
Lead Agency

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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:** 6/24/24 **Title:** Acting Director of Environmental Planning

James Vernon

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____