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Project Applicant: Skyven Technologies, Inc.

Project Title: Deployment of a Steam-Generating Heat Pump for Deep Industrial Decarbonization and Improvement to Grid Operations

Project Location – Specific: 800 N Rice Ave

Project Location – City: Oxnard 93030 **Project Location – County:** Ventura

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to install a waste-heat-source open-cycle mechanical vapor recompression steam-generating heat pump (SGHP) at the Procter & Gamble Oxnard, CA facility. The goals of this project are to decrease CO2 emissions at the P&G Oxnard facility by 33,533 MT, benefit the CA electrical grid by providing 10 MW of grid response, and benefit surrounding communities by improving air quality and creating jobs. This project is a part of Skyven's larger application for the DE-FOA-0002936 grant opportunity, in which Skyven has aggregated a portfolio of approximately 50 SGHP projects.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Skyven Technologies, Inc.

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
- 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, §15301: This project will be installing their mechanical vapor recompression system at the existing facility of Procter & Gamble in Oxnard, CA. This will include the installation of steam pipes and electrical lines to incorporate the new equipment into the facility's on-site steam system. This constitutes a minor alteration of an existing structure and mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

This project does not involve impacts on any particularly sensitive environment; 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

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

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: Kevin Mori **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-776-0794

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: Kevin Mori **Date:** 10/4/2024 **Title:** Mechanical Engineer

Signed by Responsible Agency

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____