

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:** County of Los Angeles  
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**From:** Port of Long Beach  
Environmental Planning Division  
415 West Ocean Boulevard  
Long Beach, California 90802

**Project Title:** Fiber Optic Cable Installation – Harbor Development Permit No. 25-009  
**State Clearinghouse No:**  
**Project Applicant:** MCI Metro Access Transmission Services Inc.  
**Project Location – Specific:** Harbor Plaza & S Harbor Scenic Dr; Harbor Planning District 9 – Queensway Bay  
**Project Location – City:** Long Beach, California **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

Excavation for the installation of fiber optic cable in conduit; placement of 4 MCI vaults.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Port of Long Beach  
**Name of Agency/Org. Carrying out Project:** MCI Metro Access Transmission Services  
**Project Applicant Contact Person:** Adrian Pacheco, Associate Director – Outside Plant  
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**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 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land*
- Statutory Exemption.  
*State code number:*

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3): The Class 3 Categorical Exemption consists 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. The project involves the installation of fiber optic cable and placement of vaults.

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 install fiber optic cable 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 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), therefore the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.

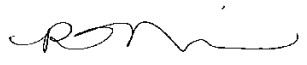
**Lead Agency**

**Contact Person:** Amy Wong

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (562) 283-7100

**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:** 4/14/25 **Title:** Director of Environmental Planning  
Renee Moilanen  
 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: \_\_\_\_\_