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Notice of Exemption

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Project

Title/Agreement

No.: 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update

Project Applicant: California Energy Commission

Project Location - Specific:

Project Location - City: Statewide

Project Location - County: Statewide

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Warren-Alquist Act requires the California Energy Commission (CEC) in odd-numbered years to "conduct assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand, and prices" and to "use these assessments and forecasts to develop and evaluate energy policies and programs that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety" (Public Resources Code § 25301, subd. (a)); and to update these assessments and forecasts in even-numbered years (Public Resources Code § 25302, subd. (c)).

This 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) Update adopted by the CEC on October 8, 2025 fulfills that statutory requirement, and also includes the 2024 Electricity Demand Forecast Update, and an initial report on Wave and Tidal Energy pursuant to Senate Bill 605 (Padilla, Chapter 405, Statutes of 2023). The beneficiaries of the assessments and recommendations include all Californians, as the state strives to meet its zero-carbon and renewable energy goals by 2045.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Energy Commission

Exempt Status: (check one)

☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Common sense exemption
CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3)

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

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The CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the adoption of the Final 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update, and concluded that the adoption of this report is not a “project” under CEQA, because no commitment to any specific project is made in this 2024 IEPR Update, and approving it will not cause a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect change in the environment. However, in the event that the adoption of the 2024 IEPR Update were determined to be a project, the CEC has determined that it would nonetheless be exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to the “common sense” exemption (CEQA Guidelines, § 15061, subd. (b)(3)) for the same reason, and it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the adoption of the 2024 IEPR Update may have a significant effect on the environment.

Public 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:

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Date:

10/8/2025

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☒ Signed by Public Agency

☐ Signed By Applicant

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