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Project Title:	Developing Guidelines for the 50 Percent Renewables Portfolio Standard
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Document Title:	Notice of Exemption
Description:	Notice of Exemption for revisions to select elements of the RPS Eligibility Guidebook.
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Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Revisions to select elements of the Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook

Project Applicant: California Energy Commission

Project Location - Specific:

Statewide

Project Location - City: Statewide

Project Location - County: Statewide

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Elements of the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) Eligibility Guidebook were revised to address surplus retired renewable energy credits and the appeal process for RPS certification. The Energy Commission, local publicly owned electric utilities, and other market participants under the RPS will benefits from the revisions.

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15061(b)(3), 15378(b)(2) & (5)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The action is not a project under section 15378(b). The revisions to the previously adopted RPS Eligibility Guidebook are administrative in nature since they merely establish a process to account for the use of surplus retired renewable energy credits and update the appeal process for RPS certification. As such, the revisions are characterized as administrative activity related to general policy and procedure making.

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: [Handwritten Signature] Date: March 9, 2016 Title: Staff Counsel

[X] 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.

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