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TO: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 212  
Sacramento, California 95814

FROM: California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

Project Title: Change to Renewables Portfolio Standard Guidelines

Project Location: 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, Sacramento County, California 95814

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this activity is to make a revision to the guidelines previously adopted by the California Energy Commission to govern the certification of eligible renewable energy resources for purposes of the state's Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) pursuant to Public Resources Code, section 25740 et seq. and Public Utilities Code, section 399.11 et seq. The revision is being made to clarify certification requirements of aggregated units by deleting language that included unintended additional requirements for aggregated units.

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: ______
___ Statutory Exemption. State code number: ______
X Other: Activity is not a "project" under Sec. 15378(b)(2), and falls within the common sense exception under Sec. 15061(b)(3).

Reasons why project is exempt: Activity is not a project under Sec. 15378(b)(2), because it pertains to continuing administrative activity related to general policy and procedure making. In addition, the activity is exempt under Sec. 15061(b)(3) in that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment.

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Signed by the Lead Agency

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