Notice of Exemption

TO: Office of Planning and Research FROM: California Energy Commission 1516 9th Street 1400 Tenth Street, Room 212 Sacramento, California 95814 Sacramento, California 95814 Project Title: Adoption of State Energy Program Guidelines. Project Location: 1516 9th. Street, Sacramento, Sacramento County, California 95814 Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this activity is to adopt quidelines to govern the administration of the Energy Commission's State Energy Program pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 25460 - 25463. The guidelines describe how the Energy Commission will implement its State Energy Program and identify available funding, eligibility criteria, the evaluation and award process, and program requirements. The California Energy Commission and participants of the State Energy Program benefit from the adoption of these guidelines. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission **DOCKET** Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Energy Commission 09-OII-1 Exempt Status: (Check One) Ministerial (Sec. 21080 (b)(1);15268); DATE SEP 30 2009 Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3): 15269(a)): RECD OCT 01 2009 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)(4), 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)(4) in that it relates to the creation of governmental funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and is also exempt under Sec. 15061(b)(3) in that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment Lead Agency Contact Person: Gabriel Herrera, Senior Staff Counsel Office of Chief Counsel California Energy Commission (916) 654-5141 Date: 9-30-09 Title: Senior Staff Counsel Signed by the Lead Agency Date received for filing by OPR