## **Notice of Exemption**

Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento. CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): California Energy Commission

1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: <u>Electric School Bus and Charging Infrastructure</u>
Project Applicant: Hanford Elementary School District

Project Location - Specific: 958 Katie Hammond Lane,

Project Location - City: Hanford

Project Location - County: Kings County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

To purchase 5 electric school buses, and 5 electric charging stations, and install the electric school bus charging stations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: <u>California Energy Commission</u>
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: <u>Hanford Elementary School District</u>

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: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15301
□ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project will involve the installation of five electric vehicle chargers in a bus barn shed at a transportation facility in Hanford. The chargers will be used to charge new electric school buses that will replace existing diesel buses. This installation will be a minor alteration to an existing facility with no expansion beyond the existing use of the facility and will not have a significant effect on the environment. This project therefore falls under categorical exemption listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. Further, none of the exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

Responsible Agency

Contact Person: Diana Gonzalez Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-654-4640

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: 7/17/19 Title: Frency

☑ Signed by Responsible Agency □ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at QPRemor's Office of Planning & Research

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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