

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

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From: California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-48
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Applicant: IF Copack, LLC dba Initiative Foods

Project Title: Initiative Foods High Efficiency Utility Support Infrastructure (HEUSI)

Project Location – Specific: 1912 Industrial Way

Project Location – City: Sanger 93657 **Project Location – County:** Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to implement the Initiative Foods High Efficiency Utility Support Infrastructure (HEUSI) in which inefficient, aging equipment will be replaced with drop-in, high efficiency equipment. The project will reduce operating costs and greenhouse emissions, demonstrate the reliability and effectiveness of advanced energy efficiency equipment at the facility, and serve as a model for other facilities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: IF Copack, LLC dba Initiative Foods

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial Exemption (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number
Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15302 and § 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

14 C.C.R. § 15302. This project involves the replacement of existing mechanical equipment at an existing food processing facility in Sanger, CA. This project will replace existing inefficient equipment at an existing food processing facility to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. The equipment to be replaced in the project includes boilers, chillers, and refrigeration systems in the Recipient's baby food manufacturing facility. The new equipment will be located on the same site as the equipment replaced and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the equipment replaced. The project falls under categorical exemption listed in 14 C.C.R. § 15302.

14 C.C.R. §15301. This project will involve minor alteration of existing mechanical equipment at an existing food processing facility in Sanger, CA. The project will replace existing inefficient equipment at existing food processing facility to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. The equipment to be replaced in the project includes boilers, chillers and refrigeration systems at the Recipient's baby food manufacturing facility. These installations will be minor alterations of existing mechanical equipment with no expansion beyond the

existing use of the food processing facility and will not have significant effect on the environment. The project falls under categorical exemption listed in 14 C.C.R. §15301.

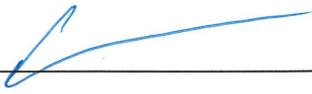
Each exemption is an independent basis for finding the project exempt.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Estella Shi **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-327-1351

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:** 7/29/19 **Title:** Associate Energy Specialist

- Signed by Responsible Agency
- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

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