

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

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From: California Energy Commission
 1516 Ninth Street, MS-45
 Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Applicant: Neil McIsaac & Son, Inc

Project Title: Dairy Solar, main array and charging station

Project Location – Specific: 1315 Tomales Road (APN: 100-08-23)

Project Location – City: Petaluma 94952 **Project Location – County:** Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is install a 147 kW rooftop solar PV system and an EV charging station on a dairy farm. The project will serve the electrical needs of the existing dairy operation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Neil McIsaac & Son, Inc.

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, § 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number. PRC § 21080.35
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project will involve the installation of a solar energy system on the roof of an existing building and pursuant to Pub. Res. Code § 21080.35 is exempt from CEQA. The materials will enable the generation and use of solar PV. The system will be installed at a dairy farm in Marin County. Associated equipment will not occupy more than 500 square feet of ground surface.

The project does not involve a federal Clean Water Act permit; waste discharge requirements under Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act; individual take permit; streambed alteration permit; or removal of specific required or native trees. For these reasons, this project is statutorily exempt from CEQA under Pub. Res. Code § 21080.35.

This project will involve the installation of an electric vehicle charger in a garage at a dairy farm in Marin County. The charger will serve electric vehicles. This installation will be a minor alteration to an existing facility with no expansion beyond the existing use of the dairy operation and will not have significant effect on the environment. The project falls under categorical exemption listed in 14 CCR section 15301.

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

Lead Agency

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

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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: *Lucio Hernandez* Date: 6/17/19 Title: AES

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

Date received for filing at OPR: JUN 17 2019

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