NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Department of Community Services and Development 2389 Gateway Oaks, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95833

Project Title: Porterville DDS Boiler Replacement and Mechanical Room Repairs

Project Location - Specific: Porterville Development Center 26501 Ave. 140 Porterville, CA 93258

Project Location - City: Porterville

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project will upgrade the Porterville Developmental Center (PDC) on-site boilers and steam and condensate lines to maximize efficiency, lower natural gas consumption, and meet San Joaquin Valley Air Quality Management District (SJVAQMD) emissions requirements. The 25,000 pounds per hour boilers to be completely replaced. The new boilers will be downsized to 17,500 pounds per hour or less meet the future heating load of the site. There would be 3 new boilers, similar to the current arrangement, where 1 boiler would operate during the summer months, 2 during winter, and the 3rd would alternate to provide even usage. A temporary boiler would be connected to the distribution system, existing boilers would be demolished and the new boilers installed during the lower heating load of summer. The deaerator will be removed and reinstalled at a higher level. Replace hot well condensate pumps associated piping and boiler economizer. The steam and condensate lines are adequate within the tunnels and do not require replacement; leaks or physical damage to be repaired or replaced. All steam shut off valves are leaking and will be replaced. The thermal wrap for the lines to be repaired or replaced where needed so all steam and condensate piping has no exposure. All steam traps to be replaced. There are 17 ward units intended to remain operational that have yet to be upgraded. Upgrade 14 of these building mechanical rooms as follows: Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 26, 35, and 36. Remove 2 or 3 tankless water heaters and replace with heat exchange type water heaters in Administration Building. Remove electric condensate pumps and replace with either the same or steam driven condensate pumps at Buildings 1 & 21. The proposed project will remodel the existing restroom to accommodate ADA access for workers as the building is not for public use. The existing asphalt parking areas will be resurfaced in-kind.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

California Department of Developmental Services

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

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Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption., Class: 1 Section: 15301

Reason Why Project Is Exempt:

This exemption (Class: 1 Section: 15301) allows for the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public structures and facilities including restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, that involve negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

The State confirms that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of an exemption for this project.

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