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| **To:** | Office of Planning and Research | **From:** California Energy Commission |
|  | PO Box 3044 | 1516 Ninth Street, MS-48 |
|  | 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 | Sacramento, CA 95814 |
|  | Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 |  |

**Project Applicant:** Electric Power Research Institute, Inc.

**Project Title:** Characterizing Emissions from California Biomethane Facilities   
REVISED for site change (original filed 8/3/2020)

# Project Location:

**Address City County**

23546 American Ave Hilmar, CA-95324 Merced

# Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project conducts ambient measurements of greenhouse gases and other air pollutants (with some collection of liquid and solid samples) and does not require any permits.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Energy Commission

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Electric Power Research Institute, 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

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Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15306 Statutory Exemptions. State code number.

Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

# Reasons why project is exempt:

15306 - The project consists of 1) basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities, and 2) It will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

# Lead Agency

**Contact Person: Maninder Thind Area code/Telephone/Ext:**  916-776-0819

# 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

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**Signature: Date:** 5/12/2021

# Title:

Air Resources Engineer

# Signed by Responsible Agency

**Signed by Lead Agency**

**X**

# Signed by Applicant Date received for filing at OPR: