Notice of Exemption Form D

To: Office of Planning and Research

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

Project Applicant: Gridscape Solutions

Project Title: <u>Urban Microgrids for Grid Resiliency and Disaster Readiness – 2nd Revision</u>

Project Location:

Address	City	County
17005 Upland Ave	Fontana 92335	San Bernardino
8353 Sierra Ave	Fontana 92335	San Bernardino
16710 Ceres Ave	Fontana 92335	San Bernardino
16489 Orange Way	Fontana 92335	San Bernardino
16860 Valencia Ave	Fontana 92335	San Bernardino
2902 Marcy Ave	San Diego 92113	San Diego (new site)
455 Sycamore Rd	San Ysidro 92173	San Diego (new site)
4149 Newton Ave	San Diego 92113	San Diego (new site)
3434 Ocean View Blvd	San Diego 92113	San Diego (new site)
25555 Hesperian Blvd	Hayward 94545	Alameda (new site)

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Demonstrate a commercialization-capable, modular, and secure approach that accelerates adoption of microgrids in the state of California. The project will develop and deploy Virtual Wide-Area Microgrids (V-WAM) within disadvantaged communities that span multiple IOU service territories and involve microgrids with different sizes for disaster-readiness, resiliency, and grid services.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:	California Energy Commission	
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:	Gridscape Solutions	
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	n number	
\overline{X} Statutory Exemptions. State code number. \underline{P}	RC § 21080.35	
Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs.	., tit. 14, §15061(b)(3))	

Reasons why project is exempt:

The installation of the solar photovoltaic panels on the rooftop and/or parking lot is statutorily exempt under Public Resources Code 21080.35. The installations are on the roofs of existing buildings and parking lots. The associated equipment takes up less than 500 square feet of ground surface and will be located on the same or immediately adjacent parcel as the solar panels. The installation of the solar panels does not require any of the permits listed in Public Resources Code 21080.35(d).

The Energy Commission made CEQA findings pertaining to this project, including finding that it was statutorily exempt under PRC § 21080.35 when grant agreement EPC-17-052 for this project was originally approved by the Commission on May 9, 2018. This 2nd revised NOE is to add five new sites for this project:

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These changes will not result in any environmental impacts beyond those already considered by the Commission and do not change the applicability of the statutory exemption under PRC § 21080.35. At the new sites, as at the old sites, solar photovoltaic panels will be installed on existing rooftops and/or existing parking lots, with associated equipment of less than 500 square feet located on the same or immediately adjacent parcel. The work at the new sites, as at the old sites, will not require any of the permits listed in Public Resources Code 21080.35(d).

This amended Notice of Exemption provides documentation of the site changes and the CEC's CEQA analysis.

Lead Agency Contact Person:	Hatice Gecol	Area code/Telepho	one/Ext:	916-776-0688
If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified	document of exemption	n finding.		
2. Has a Notice of	Exemption been filed b	y the public agency approving the p	project?	Yes No
Signature: Hatica Ge	col	Date: Jan 24, 2022	Title: CA	AM
X Signed by Res	sponsible Agency			
Signed by Lea	nd Agency			
Signed by Ap	plicant	Date received for filing	g at OPR:	

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