

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): California Energy Commission
715 P Street, MS-6
Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk
County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: Robust Airport Charging for Electric Ride Hail Fleets "RACER" Project

Project Applicant: AMPLY Power, Inc.

Project Location - Specific:

5455 W 111th St, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Project Location - City: Los Angeles Project Location - County: Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Install and provide DCFC equipment capable of supporting 48 EV simultaneously at one charging site, an already paved parking lot near Los Angeles International Airport, for ride-hailing and taxi drivers.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: AMPLY Power, Inc.

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sec. 15301, 15303, 15304
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sec. 15301 provides that projects which consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, and which involve negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. This project involves the installation of approximately 48 electric vehicle chargers, and supporting hardware, housed within approximately 6 shipping containers, at an existing paved parking lot. The containers will be installed on the parking lot, connected to existing electrical panels also located within the existing lot, and will involve negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project falls within section 15301 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sec. 15303 provides that projects which consist of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures, and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure, are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. This project consists of installation of approximately 6, 20' shipping containers pre-fabricated with electric vehicle charging equipment installed inside each container. There will be a total of approximately 48 charging stations inside all of the containers. The overall dimensions are approximately 27' x 66'. Therefore, the project falls within section 15303 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sec. 15304 provides that projects which consist of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. In this project, minor trenching may be necessary to lay two-inch conduit from the existing electrical panel to the charging equipment, totaling approximately 2 cubic feet per foot of distance from the electrical panel, to connect the proposed new electric vehicle charging station equipment to an existing electrical supply panel. The trenching will take place on currently paved ground, will not involve the removal of any trees, and surface will be restored. Therefore, the project falls within section 15304 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Anita Carraher Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 9164771564

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: Anita Carraher Date: 7/20/2022 Title: Energy Analyst

- Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.