NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research

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From: Department of State Hospitals

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Project Title: Metropolitan State Hospital Bravo Boiler Replacement

Project Location - Specific: 11401 Bloomfield Avenue

Project Location - City: Norwalk

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of replacing mechanical and electrical work but not involving placement of switches and receptacles to an existing building. The mechanical scope of work includes:

Replacing one existing steam boiler with a 500 horsepower steam boiler.

Removing the existing two level platform and replacing with a new platform with access to the new boiler.

Installing new stairs and platform over equipment on the floor between the two boilers.

Replacing an existing and installing new deaerator and surge tanks and pumps.

Installing a fuel oil day tank for the new boiler.

Installing a new control system for the two boilers and deaerator/surge tanks system.

The project will improve energy efficiency and safety by replacing antiquated equipment.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of State Hospitals

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sagar Gupta, Project Director II, DGS/RESD/PMDB

Exempt Status: CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption Section 15301 - Existing Facilities

Why is Project Exempt:

The project qualifies for Class 1 exemption which allows for repair, replace, and maintenance of mechanical equipment and existing public facilities to meet current standards of safety where it involves no or negligible expansion of use. The Metro State Hospital is a historic era facility which meets the criteria for listing in the NRHP and CRHR, however the project lies outside of the historic district and while the project is within sight of the district, the limited exterior scope of work will not have an adverse effect on the district. Project plans and specifications were reviewed by a qualified Preservation Architect and confirmed compliant with Secretary of Interior Standards for Rehabilitation of Historic Resources where required. The State has confirmed no exceptions to the exemption apply.

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Signed by Lead Agency