

**Notice of Exemption**

TO: Office of Planning and Research  
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FROM: California Energy Commission  
1516 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

Project Title: Adoption of Revisions to the *State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program Guidelines*.

Project Location: 1516 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, Sacramento County, California 95814

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this activity is to revise *Guidelines* previously adopted by the California Energy Commission to govern the administration of its State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 25460 - 25463. The *Guidelines* describe how the Energy Commission will implement its State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program and identify available funding, eligibility criteria, and procedural requirements to qualify for program funding. The *Guidelines* were revised to adjust the rebate level for specified appliances, adjust the expected start date of the program, adjust the eligibility date for qualifying appliances, and to make other minor clarifying changes to better administer the program. The California Energy Commission and participants of the State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program benefit from the adoption of revisions to these *Guidelines*.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Energy Commission

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: \_\_\_\_\_

Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: Activity is not a "project" under Sec. 15378(b)(4), and falls within the common sense exception under Sec. 15061(b)(3).

Reasons why project is exempt: Activity is not a project under Sec. 15378(b)(4) in that it relates to the creation of governmental funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and is also exempt under Sec. 15061(b)(3) in that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment.

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