



**Department of
Cannabis Control**
CALIFORNIA

NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

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From: Department of Cannabis Control
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Project Title: PUREST USA, LLC

Project Location: The Project is located at 250 Balboa Place, Suite A, Needles, CA 92363 in San Bernardino County.

County: San Bernardino

Project Description:

The Department of Cannabis Control, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Profession Code Division 10, Chapter 2, Section 26012, approved a Cannabis Non-volatile Manufacturing License submitted on 12/07/2018 by John Schneider.

Project Activities:

The Project will consist of a cannabis distribution, manufacturing, and cultivation activities within an existing building located at 250 Balboa Place, building 1, Needles, CA 92363. Non-volatile Manufacturing activities will occur in suite A and will occupy 1027 SF. The APN is 0660-081-18. Building 1 is approximately 12,500 SF. The tenant will add 310 SF for distribution activities. Distribution hours are 10am-7pm with 6 full-time employees. An amendment was submitted and approved to increase building 1 from 12,500 SF to 19,024 SF.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]
- ☐ Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec. 15269(a)]
- ☐ Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec. 15269(b)(c)]
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: [Class 1 Categorical Exemption Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, §15301]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
- ☐ General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Department of Cannabis Control has determined that the project is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption Project. Class 1 Categorical Exemptions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations to existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The Project involves the use of an existing industrial building with no proposal for building expansion. The design, location, size, and operating characteristics of the Project are compatible with the existing and future land uses within the vicinity as it is zoned light industrial zoned. None of the exceptions to the exemption defined in Section 15300.2 apply to the Project.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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