Notice of Exemption

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From: Responsible Agency:
California Energy Commission
Fuels and Transportation Division
715 P Street
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Project Title: City of Long Beach - Charing Infrastructure for Government Fleets

Project Applicant: City of Long Beach

Project Location - Specific: Multiple

Project Location - City: Long Beach

Project Location - County: Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will install at least 120 Level 2 charging ports and 18 DCFC charging ports to support City of Long Beach's light-duty government fleet.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Long Beach

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: 14 CCR §§ 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 existing or former use are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).This project involves installation of at least 120 L2 and at least 18 DCFC charging ports at 2 different existing sites/structures in the City of Long Beach. The 120 L2 charging ports and 18 DCFC's will be installed in existing parking lots at municipal facilities owned by City of Long Beach. The L2 charging ports have an approximate size of (12" x 6" x 20") and the DCFC charging ports have an approximate size of (76.8 " x 32.3 " x 23.6 "). This project involves negligible or no expansion of existing or former use of the sites. In addition, the electric vehicle charging stations will be installed on existing pavement and will connect to existing electrical infrastructure. Therefore, the project falls within section 15301 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Cal. Codes Regs, Title 14 Sec. 15303: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

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. The proposed project activities consist of minor alterations to existing public facilities. 120 L2 charging ports with an approximate size of 12"x 6"x 20" and18 DCFC charging ports with an approximate size of (76.8 " x 32.3 " x 23.6 ") will be installed at existing parking lots and structures. Existing electric infrastructure will be used to power EV charging. Therefore, the project falls within section 15303 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Cal. Code Regs., Title 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, the L2 and DCFC charging ports will be installed at fully developed sites. These areas currently do not support riparian habitat, federally protected wetlands, or migratory corridors. Additionally, special status plants, animals, or natural communities are not expected to be found within close proximity to the affected facilities. Therefore, the project falls within section 15304 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

The project will not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; does not involve any cumulative impacts of successive projects of the same type in the same place that might be considered significant; does not involve unusual circumstances that might have a significant effect on the environment; will not result in damage to scenic resources within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; the project site is not included on any list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5; and the project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Therefore, none of the exceptions to categorical exemptions listed in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply to this project, and this project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

For these reasons, the proposed work will not have any significant effect on the environment and falls under sections 15301, 15303, and 15304.

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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: Danny Leung Date: 8/15/2025 Title: Energy Commission Specialist

☒ Signed by Responsible Agency ☐ Signed By Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 8/15/2025

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code