Notice of Exemption **Form D**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Energy Commission
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Applicant: Coreshell Technologies, Incorporated

Project Title: Advanced metallurgical Silicon and LMFP lithium-ion batteries that deliver low cost, high range, and superior safety with 100% domestic materials

Project Location – Specific: 2020 Williams St Bldg B3

Project Location – City: San Leandro 94577 **Project Location – County:** Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The purpose of this Agreement is to fund the development of Coreshell's Silicon-Lithium Manganese Iron Phosphate (Si-LMFP) Genesis Battery technology from 5Ah to 60Ah and to apply the upgraded technology to a pilot in an electric mobility vehicle.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Coreshell Technologies, Incorporated

Exempt Status: (*check one)*

- ☐ Ministerial Exemption (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number

  Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15301
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15061(b)(3))

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 at the time of the lead agency's determination, are categorically exempt from the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project will be carried out in a facility that is already permitted for the work to be performed, meaning this project will result in negligible or no expansion of use beyond that already existing. Therefore, this project falls within Section 15301 and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Additionally, the project does not involve impacts on any particularly sensitive environment; will not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially

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

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.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: **Jemar Roble Tan** **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 1-916-909-2540

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: Jemar Jed Roble Tan **Date:** 10/27/2025 **Title:** Energy Commission Specialist I

☒ **Signed by Public Agency**

☐ **Signed by Applicant** **Date received for filing at OPR:** _____

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