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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Emerald Road 20 Industrial Project (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2025-037-06 (ITP))

Project Location (San Bernardino County): Northwest corner of Emerald Rd. and Cassia Rd. in the City of Adelanto, San Bernardino County, CA. Located on Assessor's Parcel Number(s) (APNs) 3128-301-06, 3128-301-11, and 3128-301-12. [Brief location information].

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued an ITP (No. 1927-ITP-2025-037-06), pursuant to Section 1927.3 of the Fish and Game Code to IPG Emerald 20 Holdings, LLC, as represented by Craig Wilde.

The Project is the proposed development of a 30,200 square foot truck and trailer parking and maintenance facility with a 1,000 square foot office building on approximately 20.61 acres. The Project will involve the take of 12 Western Joshua Tree (WJT) individuals, 2 WJT individuals will be relocated on site incorporated into the landscaping.

The Project will result in incidental take of 12 western Joshua tree (Yucca

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brevifolia) which is protected under the WJTCA and the California Endangered Species Act. The WJTCA ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of western Joshua tree that may occur as a result of Project implementation.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status: On April 22, 2025, the City of Adelanto, the Lead Agency, determined that the Project is categorically exempt pursuant to [Public Resources Code section 21083.3 and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15183. The Lead Agency determined that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria for the exemption. Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.1(a), the Lead Agency is responsible for determining whether the Project is exempt from CEQA and that determination shall be final and conclusive on all persons, including Responsible Agencies. As a result, CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, is bound by the Lead Agency's determination that the Project is exempt from CEQA.

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