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# Notice of Exemption

**Appendix E**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: _____

**From:** (Public Agency): Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
(Address)

Project Title: Covered Battery-Embedded Waste Recycling Fee

Project Applicant: CalRecycle

Project Location - Specific:
State of California, Statewide

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - _____

County: Description of urpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Electronic Waste Recycling Act (Act) of 2003 established a financing mechanism to promote safe recycling and to reduce the inappropriate disposal of certain electronic products that might otherwise be discarded in California. Senate Bill 1215 amended the Act to add battery-embedded products to the Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Program. The program is financed through a covered battery-embedded waste recycling fee paid by consumers at the point of retail sale of new covered electronic devices. Pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 42464(b)(3), CalRecycle must establish, by October 1 of each year, a covered electronic waste recycling fee based on the reasonable regulatory costs to administer covered electronic waste recycling. The proposed regulations establish the fee that will go into effect on January 1, 2027. See attachment to Notice of Exemption.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CalRecycle

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

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: CEQA Guidelines Section 15308, 15061(b)(3), and 15378(a)
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8)

Reasons why project is exempt:
See Attachment to Notice of Exemption, citing CEQA Guidelines Sections 15308, 15061(b)(3), 15378(a) and Public Resources Code 21080(b)(8).

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Donnet McFarlane Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 327-0092

**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: Donnet McFarlane Digitally signed by Donnet McFarlane Date: 2026.10.12 09:20:55 -07'00' Date: 9/12/2026 Title: Supervisor I

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____