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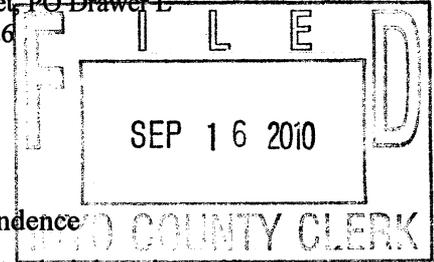
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Notice of Exemption - Inyo County

To: Office of Planning and Research
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 County of Inyo
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 Independence, CA 93526

From: (Public Agency) Inyo County Planning Department
 168 North Edwards Street, PO Drawer L
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Project Title: Photovoltaic Electric Systems at County-owned Facilities in Independence

Project Location - Specific: Historic Courthouse/Annex Building/Health Building; Administrative Offices; Jail; and, Juvenile Hall

Project Location - City: Independence

Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Inyo County Board of Supervisors approved an agreement with Solar City Corporation and Saulsbury Hill Financial to, respectively, install and finance a 612.8-kilowatt (kW) photovoltaic electric system at County-owned facilities in Independence on September 14, 2010. The system will be comprised of a 182.28 kW roof, carport and ground mounted system to serve the Historic Courthouse, Annex and Health Department buildings; a 29.40 kW roof-mounted system to service the Administrative Offices building; a 283.5 kW ground mounted system for the Jail; and, a 117 kW ground mounted system for the Juvenile Hall.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Inyo County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Inyo County

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- General Rule (Sec. 15061(b)(3));
- Categorical (Sec. 21084; 15301, 15302, 15304, and 15311).
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Reasons why project is exempt: Approval of the agreement does has no potential to directly impact the environment, and is therefore not subject to CEQA per the "General Rule" [CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3)]. Installation of the systems is consistent with the classes of projects deemed not to have a significant effect on the environment in Article 19 of the CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15301 (additions to existing structures); 15302 (reconstruction of existing structures and facilities); 15304 (minor alterations to land); and, 15311 (construction or placement of accessory structures). None of the exceptions to the exemptions specified by CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply.

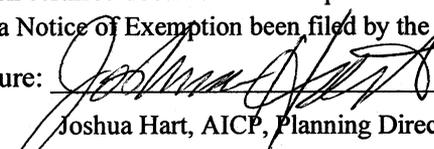
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If filed by applicant:

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: 
 Joshua Hart, AICP, Planning Director

Date: 9-16-10

Date received for filing at OPR:

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