NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services/Facilities Based on a preliminary review of the project, the following activity is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. APN(s) N/A Case No N/A LOCATION N/A PROJECT TITLE Southern California Edison Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan Grant PROJECT DESCRIPTION The General Services Department has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$84,616 to support the development of Energy Efficiency policy for County owned facilities, which is Phase 2 of the Climate Action Strategy. **EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)** Ministerial ___ Statutory x Categorical Exemption (Not a Project) Emergency Project No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)]. Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section CEQA Guidelines §15378(b)4 Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary) Approving the grant will not in any substantive manner result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment or cause any significant environmental effects. The grant will

NOTE: A copy must be posted DERC at least 6 days prior to consideration of the activity by the decision-makers to comply with County CEQA guidelines and a copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval to begin a 35 day statue of limitations on legal challenges.

involve administrative activities of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)5) exempts activities from CEQA "Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in

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