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CEQA Notice of Exemption

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, LEAD AGENCY

Clerk of the Board-Filing Date

Based on a review of the project and project description, the following activity is determined as indicated below. Specific findings are indicated below and environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA are included, if applicable.

APN(s): 059-120-003

Case No. GSD-04182022-20012-0001

(current date, project# and NOE number for this project)

LOCATION(city/unincorporated area/NA): Santa Barbara, CA

PROJECT TITLE: Server Room Expansion and HVAC Upgrades to the Emergency Operations Center; District 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (attach continuation page, if necessary): Replacement of the existing HVAC system, and expansion of the Server Room into the adjacent Storage Room. Exterior work includes new condensing units, and trenching for replacement of power and refrigeration lines. New condensing units are located in same location of existing units.

DETERMINATION:

NOT A PROJECT (§15378): A *project* as defined by CEQA is one in which the whole of the action has a potential for resulting in either a direct or indirect physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. The action described above has been determined by the Lead Agency to not be a Project under CEQA. **No further environmental review is required.**

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check Only One)

Ministerial (§15369)

Statutory (§15260)

Categorical Exemption (§15354)

Emergency Project (§15359)

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Sub-Section(s) (§§15301(a); 15302)

FINDINGS TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION: (attach additional material, if necessary):

The replacement of the existing HVAC system and interior expansion of the Server Room are minor alterations to the existing facility. The project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Sections 15301, subdivisions (a) (minor alterations to existing facilities) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations and Section 15302 (replacement and reconstruction). The expansion of the server room is an interior alteration that involves negligible or no expansion of use. Similarly, the replacement of the redundant HVAC system is located on the same site, will have the same purpose as the existing equipment, involves negligible or no expansion of capacity, and will serve existing uses of the site. The exceptions to this Categorical Exemption do not apply because there are no mapped resources in the project area, no

cumulative impact, no significant effect due to unusual circumstances, no visible scenic highway, the site is not listed on list compiled to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code, and the building is not a historical resource.

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Department/Division Representative (print & sign name)

Date