ATTACHMENT 2 NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Peter Adam, 4th District Supervisor

The project or activity identified below 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): <u>N/A</u> Case No.: <u>N/A</u>

Location: Countywide

Project Title: Carlsbad Desalination Tour with Supervisor Adam, CEO Miyasato, and County Staff

Project Description: Recent policy change encourages any Board members to issue a report to the full Board addressing any activities beyond staff's normal work assignments that, as a consequence of the member's request, consume greater than eight hours of staff time. While the tour mentioned in the report is only to last approximately three hours, the distance travelled to and from the site in Carlsbad, California, shall result in more than eight hours of staff time consumed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Santa Barbara

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- __ Ministerial
- X Statutory Exemption
- __ Categorical Exemption
- __ Emergency Project
- __ Declared Emergency
- __ Other

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: <u>15378(b)(5)</u> – Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):

The report serves as an administrative activity to inform the Board as to an upcoming tour attended by various members of county staff and Supervisor Adam. This report is not a project as defined by CEQA and, therefore, is not subject to environmental review.

Peter Adam 4th District Supervisor Date

Note: A copy of this form must be posted six (6) days prior to a decision on the project. Upon project approval, this form must filed with the County Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of thirty (30) days to begin a thirty-five (35) day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

Date filed with the County Clerk