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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 308084

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE APR 2 2 2013

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY BACKUP GENERATORS AT WASTEWATER FACILITIES IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15301(B) AND 15303(D).

WHEREAS, the approval of additional funding for the installation of emergency backup generators at wastewater facilities (Project) will be in furtherance of Capital Improvement Program project CIP S-12036 Backup Generators at SPSs, TP, & EMTS; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code section 21084 states that the CEQA Guidelines shall list those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall be exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300-15333 list the categorical exemptions promulgated by the California Office of Planning and Research for those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, Development Services staff has concluded that the Project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to Sections 15301(b) and 15303(d) of the Guidelines for Implementation of the CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego (Council) has considered the potential environmental effects of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Council, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment because Class 1 CEQA exemptions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, specifically, subsection (b) which covers existing facilities or both investor and public owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, or other utility services; and Class 3 exemptions which consist of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities, specifically subsection (d) which covers water main, sewage, electrical, gas and other utility extensions; and that all work for the Project will occur within the developed footprint of the existing facility buildings; no direct biological or archeological impacts are anticipated; the total height of the generators including exhaust stack will be no more than 28 feet; and erosion and sediment best management practices (BMPs) will be installed around all work areas; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the approval of additional funds for installation of emergency generators at wastewater facilities is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301(b) and 15303(d).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council has determined that an exception to the exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 does not apply.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of <u>APR **0 9 2013**</u>.

Approved:

(date)

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

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Deputy City Clerk

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