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From: California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-48
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Project Title: SMUD's Smart Grid Proposal for FOA 58

Project Location – Specific: 6301 S Street

Project Location – City: Sacramento, CA Project Location – County: Sacramento

Description of Project:

This project will deploy a comprehensive regional smart grid solution built upon the installation and operation of an end-to-end smart grid that extends from the transmission system to the smart meters of all 600,000 SMUD customers. This project will link smart meters and home area networks with upstream, automated distribution operations; will optimize distribution system operations to improve system reliability and efficiency; and will fully enable customers to participate in the electricity marketplace by accelerating the introduction of dynamic pricing and demand response programs. SMUD is partnering with the State of California Department of General Services, California State University Sacramento, and the Los Rios Community College District to significantly accelerate and expand the deployment of advanced smart grid technologies throughout the Sacramento region, creating new jobs, preserving existing jobs, reducing customer energy costs, and cutting greenhouse gas emissions years sooner than could otherwise be accomplished.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number 14 CCR 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number. _____
- Common Sense Exemption. 15061(b)(3)

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1 - Operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities not expanding existing uses.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Avtar Bining **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-327-1411

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: _____ **Date:** _____ **Title:** _____

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____