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CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination Form

Applicant Name: California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery
Date Submitted: April 4, 2011
Applicant Address: 801 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Name: Statewide Anaerobic Digester Facilities for the Treatment of Municipal Organic Solid Waste

CEQA Lead Agency: California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery
CEQA Document Type: (ND, MND, EIR) Environmental Impact Report
SCH Number and/or local agency ID number: SCH#2010042100

Project Location: Statewide

Brief Project Description: CalRecycle proposes to adopt the "Anaerobic Digestion Initiative," a collection of policies and actions intended to reduce the landfill disposal of organic solid waste in California and to reduce the release of methane, a potent greenhouse gas, from the state's landfills into the atmosphere. To support the efforts of local governments to site anaerobic digestion (AD) facilities and the efforts of solid waste facility operators to develop such facilities, CalRecycle has prepared a draft programmatic EIR to identify and evaluate the potential generic environmental effects of a certain type of AD facilities that CalRecycle believes can most readily be developed, namely, in-vessel digesters located at existing or new solid waste facilities in areas zoned for industrial or solid waste handling activities. Any such facility developed in the future may, of course, have different environmental effects than those addressed in the PEIR and will have site-specific impacts which must be considered by appropriate local, regional and state agencies which will require additional analysis as required by CEQA.

Determination: Based on a review of the Project as proposed, the Department of Fish and Game has determined that for purposes of the assessment of CEQA filing fees [F&G Code 711.4(c)] the project has no potential effect on fish, wildlife and habitat and the project as described does not require payment of a CEQA filing fee. This determination does not in any way imply that the project is exempt from CEQA and does not determine the significance of any potential project effects evaluated pursuant to CEQA.

Please retain this original determination for your records; you are required to file a copy of this determination with the County Clerk after your project is approved and at the time of filing of the CEQA lead agency's Notice of Determination (NOD). If you do not file a copy of this determination with the County Clerk at the time of filing of the NOD, the appropriate CEQA filing fee will be due and payable.

Without a valid No Effect Determination Form or proof of fee payment, the project will not be operative, vested, or final and any local permits issued for the project will be invalid, pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 711.4(c)(8).

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DFG Approval By: Leslie Newton-Reed Date: 4-7-2011

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