PORT OF OAKLAND
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:  County Clerk
      County of Alameda
      1106 Madison
      Oakland, CA  94607

FROM: Division of Env Programs and Planning
      Port of Oakland
      530 Water Street
      Oakland, CA  94607

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Exemption from the Requirements of the California
         Environmental Quality Act.

PROJECT TITLE: Port Permit #5106 – UPS Renovations

PROJECT LOCATION: 8400 Pardee Drive, Oakland, Alameda County, California

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project site is located in the southwestern portion of the City
of Oakland ("City") in the vicinity of Oakland International Airport at the existing United Parcel
Service ("UPS") sort facility, 8400 Pardee Drive, Oakland, CA. At this ground operations
facility, UPS sorts and repackages freight arriving from 18 wheel trucks onto similar trucks for
distribution to other hubs in the region and on to smaller package vans for regional deliveries.

The project applicant proposes to make renovations at the site to improve efficiency and to
update processing systems. The purpose of the project is to modernize the building and
equipment that were originally constructed in 1974. Replacement of the equipment will allow
the system to handle packages in a more streamlined, safer, reliable and more efficient manner
during each processing sort. General project improvements include: upgrades and modifications
to the dock doors that will result in a reduction of 6 inbound doors and an addition of one
outbound door; conveyor sorting equipment inside the building with modern automated sorting
equipment to allow for automated tracking and other efficiencies; vehicle shop facility from the
main building to a new building away from the sorting function where it will be combined with
the relocated wash building. The efficiencies would result from less workers sorting packages
and would not increase capacity but enable the facility to maintain capacity. Any increase in
capacity would require an increase in the number of input doors, and in this project, the number
of input doors would be reduced.

Specific improvements include:

1. Demolish existing car wash tunnel building (2585 SF);
2. Construct a new Auto Shop and Wash Tunnel Combination Building (12,267 SF, net 9,682 SF increase);
3. Install a temporary modular loading dock, to be operational during improvements
to main building (Drainage Area K – See Attachment 3: Pavement Plan);
4. Improve the interior of main building:
   a) Upgrade equipment and conveyor systems (demolish 95% of existing conveyor
equipment and install new equipment;
   b) Install new restroom facilities;
c) Rearrange office spaces inside the existing envelope of the main building to accommodate the new equipment installation; no foundation changes are necessary for this equipment.

5. Widen the existing inbound/outbound doors on the perimeter of the building to improve access for equipment movement between the interior and the loading dock;

6. Install shear walls against the main building to accommodate the widening of the doors and to meet seismic requirements. These modifications will reduce inbound doors from 42 to 36, and increase outbound doors from 80 to 81 (net loss of 5 doors);

7. Repair, upgrade, or extend paving at various locations around the site (see Attachment 3 – Pavement Plan);

8. Install post-construction stormwater controls on site to meet Stormwater Permit requirements in accordance with the Port of Oakland’s “2015 Post-Construction Stormwater Design Manual” and Port Stormwater Ordinance No. 4311 (see Stormwater Compliance section below for details);

9. Modify employee parking area to reduce total spaces by 70. Install new fencing along the southern and eastern section. Add 20 additional spaces along the west edge adjacent to Pardee Drive. Move the east fence of the parking area on the west side of the existing trailer parking area to the west into the existing employee parking area in order to provide maneuverability around the new auto shop/wash tunnel and the existing fuel island;

10. Provide a new sidewalk along Pardee Drive;

11. Relocate lighting poles in the NE corner of lot due to new construction;

12. Relocate Personal Identification Verification equipment (PIV) and electrical for fuel island and trash compactors;

13. Install a new monument sign along the Pardee frontage in accordance with the LUDC standards.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: Port of Oakland

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Port of Oakland

EXEMPT STATUS: 

- Ministerial (Section 15300.1)
- Declared Emergency (Sect. 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sect. 15269 (b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption:
- X Categorical Exemption:
  Section: 15301, Class I

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Port is the Lead Agency under CEQA, having land use jurisdiction over the Oakland Airport Business Park. The project boundaries are located in a developed area, and improvements will be made to an existing facility that will continue the previous use of sort and transfer of packages, maintenance of vehicles, and delivery of packages as described in the Land Use Analysis section. The project will construct a new car wash and auto shop building (12,267 square feet) to replace the existing car wash facility (2,585 square feet) and to relocate some maintenance functions out of the main sort building, resulting in a total increase in building area of less than 10,000 square feet of new building area (i.e., total increase in square
footage: 9,682). These improvements will not increase the capacity of the Oakland Gateway Facility (located at OAK).

Improvements also include reducing the number of input loading doors from 42 to 36 and increasing the number of output loading doors from 85 to 86. The handling capacity of the facility is measured by the number of input doors which drives the process rate for the overall package processing system. Given the reduction of input doors, the proposed project will not increase the facility’s handling capacity and will not thus increase UPS air cargo activity at OAK.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300 (Categorical Exemptions), certain classes of projects, as listed in Article 19 (Categorical Exemptions) have been determined to not have a significant effect on the environment and declared to be categorically exempt from the requirement for the preparation of environmental documents. Under Rule 15301 (Existing Facilities), those projects that “consist of the operation, repair, maintenance…or minor alteration 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,” are categorically exempt. According to Rule 15301, “the key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use.” In reliance on the totality of information provided by UPS in this matter, the Port concludes that the proposed project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use and is therefore categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301.

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Date: July 19, 2016  Signature: Diane Heinze
Title: Port Environmental Assessment Supervisor

Port of Oakland, Board Action

Permit #5106 Item N/A N/A
Resolution/Ordinance Number Board Date

cc: PORT FILE NUMBER: 2016007 , W. O. # n/a CL CRE – Oakland Airport Business Park
*ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION
(CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME CODE SECTION 711.4)

LEAD AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS

Port of Oakland
Environmental Programs and Planning
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Oakland, CA. 94607

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FILE NO: 14-287

CLASSIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:
(PLEASE MARK ONLY ONE CLASSIFICATION)

1. NOTICE OF EXEMPTION / STATEMENT OF EXEMPTION

[X] A - STATUTORILY OR CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT
   $ 50.00 - COUNTY CLERK HANDLING FEE

2. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION (NOD)

[ ] A - NEGATIVE DECLARATION (OR MITIGATED NEG. DEC.)
   $ 2,210.25 - STATE FILING FEE
   $ 50.00 - COUNTY CLERK HANDLING FEE

[ ] B - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)
   $ 3,070.00 - STATE FILING FEE
   $ 50.00 - COUNTY CLERK HANDLING FEE

*A COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH EACH COPY OF AN
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BY MAIL. FIVE (5) COPIES ARE REQUIRED FOR IN-OFFICE FILINGS.

ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING.

FEES ARE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

PROJECT TITLE
PORT PERMIT #5106-UPS RENOVATIONS

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS
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CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:
☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) $3,070.00  0.00
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) $2,210.25  0.00
☐ Certified Regulatory Program document (CRP) $1,043.75  0.00

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)
☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) $850.00  0.00
☐ County documentary handling fee $  50.00
☐ Other $  0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:
☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other TOTAL RECEIVED $  50.00

SIGNATURE
X

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
JENNIFER PORTER, DEPUTY