Notice of Determination

To:	☒ **County Clerk**	☐ **Office of Planning and Research**
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From:	**San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District**	**Lead Agency (If different from sender)**
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): **2011031086**

Project Title: Aera Energy Belridge Oilfield Complex Steam Generators Project

Project Location: The project is located within Aera's existing Heavy Oil Western Stationary Source in the South Belridge Oilfield, Kern County.

Sec: 20, 28, 29 **Twn & Dir:** 28 S **Ran & Dir:** 21 E

Project Description: Aera Energy, LLC proposes the installation and operation of up to twenty two (22) new 85 MMBtu/hr natural gas-fired steam generators within Aera's existing Heavy Oil Western Stationary Source located in the South Belridge Oilfield. The steam generators will be installed as two (2) projects in two (2) separate project areas. However, for CEQA purposes the District evaluated potential impacts from both projects as a single project and prepared an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for all twenty two (22) steam generators. The IS/MND was available for public comment from March 28, 2011 through April 27, 2011. The approval of Project Area 1 (project numbers S-1084210 and S-1084433) authorizes the issuance of nineteen (19) Authority to Construct (ATC) permits, allowing the construction of up to eleven (11) steam generators.

This is to advise that the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, acting as a ☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency has approved the above described project and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
   ☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☐ were ☒ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the District's ☐ Findings, ☐ Final EIR, or ☒ Negative Declaration, and record of project approval, is available to the General Public at: San Joaquin Valley APCD, 1990 E. Gettysburg Street, Fresno, CA

Signature (Public Agency): _____ Title: Director of Permit Services

David Warner

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Date: _____