

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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1.0 APPLICABILITY

This policy and procedure applies to any facility seeking to create Emission Reduction Credits from equipment and/or processes that are specifically exempted by local, state or federal law from providing offsets for projects subject to New Source Review.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

This policy and procedure provides guidance on how to address requests to create ERCs from NSR offset exempt equipment and/or processes. Examples of equipment and/or processes that are exempt from NSR offset requirements include:

- Facilities voluntarily using the Rule 802.B.2 offsets exemption for equipment replacements.
- Projects that are exempt from providing offsets under the provisions of H&SC §42301.2, H&SC §42301.13 and H&SC §42314.1.
- Emergency standby generator, flood control and firewater pump piston-type internal combustion engines that are exempt from offsets per Rule 802.B.4.

The above list is not intended to cover all potential offset exemptions.

3.0 POLICY

Equipment and/or processes that are exempted from providing offsets for New Source Review permitting projects are ineligible in the future for being qualified as an Emission Reduction Credit under Rule 806.