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CITY OF RICHMOND 30-DAY NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Richmond Planning and Building Services Department has prepared an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration for environmental review in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, and the City of Richmond's Guidelines and Procedures for Implementation of CEQA.

Project Number: PLN14-119

Project Title: Atlas Road Industrial Building Project

Project Applicant: LDK Ventures, LLC

Project Location: 2995 Atlas Road, Richmond California

Assessor Parcel No.: 405-590-008

Project Description: The proposed project is located on a 42.14 acre site at 2995 Atlas Road, at the corner of Atlas Road and Giant Road. The site previously included two manufacturing warehouse buildings, and one 8,800 square foot office building, totaling approximately 583,500 square feet. The site previously included two manufacturing/warehouse buildings, and one 8,800-square foot office building, totaling approximately 563,500 square feet. The plant also included infrastructure, facility support areas and paved areas. A steel galvanizing operation formerly existed in the 275,500 square-foot, northern building (the Galvanizing Line Building), which was constructed in 1965/1966 by Bethlehem Steel. The second building approximately 279,200 square feet (constructed in 1990/1991) was used as a coil coating, paint line operation (Paint Line Building). This Initial Study (IS) evaluates the impacts of the construction and operation of the proposed new building and associate facilities. The proposed project involves construction of a single large logistics building and associated parking, loading, and landscaped areas on the cleared site. The proposed new building would include approximately 40,000 square feet of office space and 667,820 square feet of warehouse space. The footprint of the new building would be similar as that of the previous structures and hardscape. The height of the building proposed would vary from 40 feet to 43 feet, and its length would be 1,506 feet. The project would include the dedication of a multi-purpose trail easement for trail construction and maintenance by the East Bay Regional Park District. Fencing is proposed to separate the project facilities from the proposed trail.

The basis for proposing a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the finding that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, all potential impacts could be mitigated to less-than-significant levels through implementation of mitigation measures, which would be adopted as conditions of approval for the project.

Hazardous Materials Disclosure per Public Resources Code Section 15072(g)(6): A review of regulatory databases, including listed hazardous material release sites compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5, did not identify any hazardous materials on the site.

Public Review and Comment Period: Comments on the Draft MND, sent in writing, must be received by 5:00 p.m. on May 11, 2015, at the following address:

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Report Availability: A copy of the Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review online at www.ci.richmond.ca.us/planning. Copies are also available for review at the following locations: **Richmond Public Library Main Branch** 325 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804; **Richmond Planning and Building Services Department**, City Hall, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA, 94804.

Start of Public Review: April 10, 2015 End of Public Review: May 11, 2015