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August 21, 2013

File: Hydrogen Energy, California (HECA)  
Zone Map No. 120

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**RE: Kern County Board of Supervisors request to delay Public Workshops for the Hydrogen Energy California (HECA) Project by Hydrogen Energy International LLC (Docket No. 08-AFC-8A)**

Dear Chairman Robert B Weisenmiller,

Public participation is a cornerstone of the California Energy Commission process and the the Kern County Board of Supervisors appreciates the scheduling of workshops in Kern County to discuss the project and take local comments.

At the public presentation portion of the August 21, 2013 Board meeting, the Board of Supervisors addressed a request from the project and directed the Kern County Planning and Community Development Department (PCDD) to send a letter to request that the CEC reschedule the upcoming September HECA Workshops , now scheduled for September 17 and 18 to an alternative date in mid-October 2013.

The month of September is not a favorable time to hold public workshops because the farmers and Kern County residents who are most affected by the HECA Project are dealing with late summer harvest of almonds and other agricultural products. Additionally, the annual Kern County Fair is September 18 through September 29 which is actively attended by the property owners in the area as well as requiring substantial time commitments by residents who would be interested in attending the workshops.

Therefore, on behalf of the Kern County Board of Supervisors, the PCDD requests that the CEC delay scheduling the workshops to discuss the proposed HECA Project until mid to late October, 2013. Please take this position into account when considering the final dates for the upcoming workshops and consider scheduling additional workshops for public comment and discussion.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at the contact information listed above. You may also contact the Supervising Planner coordinating Kern County's review of this project, Jacquelyn R. Kitchen, at (661) 862-8619 or via email at [kitchenj@co.kern.ca.us](mailto:kitchenj@co.kern.ca.us).

Sincerely,

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