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**Docket No. 08-AFC-08A: HYDROGEN
ENERGY CALIFORNIA, LLC
Hydrogen Energy California (HECA) Project
Monthly Progress Report for October 2015**

**In compliance to the Committee Order Denying Motion to Terminate
Application for Certification and Granting Request for Suspension**

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Introduction

Pursuant to the terms of the CEC order titled “Committee Order Denying Motion to Terminate Application for Certification and Granting Request for Suspension” handed down on July 3, 2015 HECA is herein responding to and providing its 4th status update regarding the milestones to be completed on or before January 6, 2015 as set forth in the ruling.

During the month of October HECA continued its interaction with the new clean coal program management staff at DOE discussing the optimal path forward for the project. HECA provided a number of documents requested by DOE to assist in the budget and planning processes. Prior to the September 22, 2015 meeting with the new management at DOE headquarters, HECA submitted a budget estimate and project synopsis to accommodate a non-EOR CCS approach. Subsequent to that meeting and at DOE’s request HECA provided the following:

- Monthly budget estimate
- Milestones and related budget to achieve said milestones.
 - The September update to the CEC from HECA detailed the specific set of milestones proposed by HECA to DOE. HECA calculated a milestone budget for DOE that essentially broke down the budget in terms of milestone period. We provided DOE the estimated project cost for milestone 1 (months 1-3) and Milestone 2 (months 4-6).
- Interactive financial model and talking points
- California regulators support letter to Secretary Moniz dated July 2014 as the new management was unaware of that communication.
- Discussion on HECA’s investment team and project team needed to implement the new CO2 program.

HECA communicated to DOE that a project timeline, DOE resumption of funding or a timeline for the resumption of funding, is needed immediately to maintain consultant, vendor, political and regulator support of the project. We emphasized the importance of the schedule as it relates to both the CEC’s schedule and to meet the terms of the funding program. We are awaiting DOE’s decision.