Notice of Staff Workshop for the HYDROGEN ENERGY CALIFORNIA, AMENDED APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (08-AFC-8A)

The California Energy Commission staff will conduct an Issues Resolution and Data Request Workshop for the proposed Hydrogen Energy California project (HECA). All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate in the workshop, which will be held:

WEDNESDAY, June 20, 2012
10:00AM – 4:00PM (or conclusion of discussions)

California Energy Commission
In the Bonderson Building (across 9th Street from the Energy Commission)
Hearing Room
1600 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

WebEx Call-in toll-free number: 1-866-469-3239
( Access code: 927 122 211)
( Meeting Password: HECAmeeting@10 )

(please see attached instructions for WebEx access)

PURPOSE

The purpose of the workshop is to allow staff, the applicant, intervenors, interested agencies, and the public to discuss several technical disciplines related to the HECA Amended Application for Certification, filed on May 2, 2012, including but not limited to Project Description, Air Quality, Carbon Capture and Storage, Coordination between local, State and Federal Agencies, Traffic & Transportation, Water Resources and other topics as needed.

BACKGROUND

On July 31, 2008, Hydrogen Energy California, LLC (HECA) submitted an Application for Certification (08-AFC-8) to the California Energy Commission. A Revised AFC was submitted to reflect a change of the project site to an alternative location. In 2011, Hydrogen Energy California LLC, was acquired by SCS Energy California, LLC. On May 2, 2012, SCS Energy, LLC, submitted an Amended Application for Certification (08-AFC-8A) reflecting several changes to the original project design. The new Amended Application for Certification (AFC) has been assigned a new, distinguishing docket number, 08-AFC-8A.
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant intends to construct and operate an Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) power generating facility called Hydrogen Energy California (HECA). The proposed HECA project would gasify blends of 75 percent western coal and 25 percent petroleum coke from California refineries to produce hydrogen to fuel a combustion turbine operating in combined-cycle mode. The amended project incorporates a proposed manufacturing complex that would produce urea in both liquid and pellet form, and other byproducts for agricultural and manufacturing uses. The combined-cycle power block would generate approximately 405 MW of gross power and would provide a nominal 300-megawatts of electricity to the grid. The gasification block would also capture approximately 90 percent of the carbon from the raw syngas (the direct end of the gasification process) at steady-state operation, which will be transported to a custody transfer point at Elk Hills Oil Field for CO₂ enhanced oil recovery (EOR) and sequestration. The Energy Commission staff has begun its discovery and analysis of the HECA project, and will use information obtained from the workshop discussions in the preparation of its Preliminary Staff Assessment of the project.

PARTICIPATION

Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Robert Worl, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 651-8853, or by e-mail at robert.worl@energy.ca.gov. If you desire information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California, at (800) 822-6228. The Public Adviser's Office can also be contacted via email at publicadviser@energy.ca.gov. If you have a disability and require assistance to participate, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 at least five days in advance. News media inquiries should be directed to the media office at (916) 654-4989 or via email at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov. The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's web site: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hydrogen_energy/index.html. If you are unable to attend the workshop, written comments may be sent to the staff’s project manager electronically or to the Energy Commission’s street address shown on the letterhead of this Notice. You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices and announcements at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers. By being on this email list, you will receive all project-related notices and documents pertaining to the project’s evaluation and review.

Date:   June 7, 2012

Original signed by
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cc:  Docket (08-AFC-8A)
     Proof of Service List
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REMOTE ATTENDANCE FOR THE
HECA Staff Workshop on June 20, 2012

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   • Please go to [https://energy.webex.com](https://energy.webex.com) and enter: **927 122 211**

   • When prompted, enter your information and **HECAmeeting@10**

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2. **Computer Log-on for Callers with an Extension Phone Number, Etc:**

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   • After you login, a prompt will ask for your phone number. Click “**CANCEL.**”

   • Instead call **1-866-469-3239**. When prompted, enter: **927 122 211**.

3. **Telephone Only (No Computer Access):**

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AMENDED APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION

FOR THE HYDROGEN ENERGY CALIFORNIA PROJECT

Docket No. 08-AFC-08A
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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Elizabeth Stewart, declare that on June 8, 2012, I served and filed a copy of the attached (08-AFC-8A) Hydrogen Energy California, Amended Application for Certification Notice of Staff Workshop dated June 7, 2012. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at:

http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hydrogen_energy/index.html

The document has been sent to the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission’s Docket Unit or Chief Counsel, as appropriate, in the following manner:

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X by sending one electronic copy to the e-mail address below (preferred method); OR

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

Original signed by
Elizabeth Stewart
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