Pursuant to the Revised Committee Scheduling Order for the Hydrogen Energy California Project (Project), issued on March 27, 2013 we hereby file this Status Report No. 6 on behalf of Hydrogen Energy California LLC (HECA or Applicant). This Status Report provides an overview of key activities by HECA since March 1, 2013, when HECA submitted Status Report No. 5.

As shown below, the Applicant actively engaged in public outreach and agency coordination to facilitate review of the Project. The Applicant is diligently working to resolve the few remaining Data and Workshop Requests by Staff for the California Energy Commission (CEC) and other parties. The Applicant believes that Staff currently has the necessary information and has had more than adequate time to prepare the joint Preliminary Staff Assessment/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PSA/DEIS) by the April 30, 2013 deadline and expects that there will be no further delays in the schedule. The Applicant requests that the Committee direct staff to provide an update on the status of the PSA/DEIS, including coordination with the Department of Energy (DOE).

I. RESPONSES TO DATA AND WORKSHOP REQUESTS

On March 4, 2013, Applicant submitted Response to Staff’s Request to Modify Schedule. See Docket No. 69783.

On March 4, 2013, Applicant submitted Supplemental Responses to CEC Data Requests A56 and A211. See Docket No. 69838.
On March 6, 2013, Applicant submitted responses to CEC Data Requests A49, A51, and A52. See Docket No. 69844.


On March 21, 2013, Applicant submitted Response to CEC Staff Regarding HECA Transmission Line Downstream and the Mesa Substation Upgrades. See Docket 70044.


II. AGENCY COORDINATION

Applicant met with CalTrans in Fresno, CA to discuss traffic mitigation.

On April 2, 2013 Applicant participated in a hearing at SJVAPCD in Bakersfield, CA to discuss the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC).

III. COORDINATION OF HECA AND OXY CO2 EOR PROJECTS

Applicant corresponded with OEHI representatives regarding permitting coordination and schedule.

IV. PUBLIC OUTREACH

A number of public outreach activities have been completed by Applicant since the filing of Applicant’s Status Report No. 5, including the following:

On March 1, 2013, Applicant hosted the Buttonwillow Chamber of Commerce barbecue fundraiser at the HECA Information Center during the Honorary Mayor’s Race. In addition to donating the venue, Applicant sponsored a golf tournament, donated auction items and provided 100 barbecue tickets for senior citizens and other attendees. All funds collected during the Honorary Mayor’s Race are used by the Chamber of Commerce to support a variety of activities in Buttonwillow, including a quarterly newsletter, local sports programs, scholarships for high school graduates, and various community service projects.

On March 20, 2013, Applicant participated for the second consecutive year as a sponsor of the 13th Annual Kern County Economic Summit, presented by the Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce, the Kern Economic Development Corporation and California State University, Bakersfield. HECA representative, Tiffany Rau, participated with some of Kern County’s leading employers in a panel discussion on “Why Business in Kern County Works for Us.”
Applicant representatives provided an overview presentation of the project at a luncheon for members of the Buena Water Storage District on March 5, 2013 in Buttonwillow, CA.

Applicant provided sponsorship for the 2013 Yearbook of the Buttonwillow School.

Applicant continues ongoing participation in Buttonwillow Community Resource Center and Buttonwillow Community Collaborative Meetings and membership in the B Safe Action Committee. Applicant hosted this month’s B-Safe action committee luncheon and attended B-Safe open Community Meetings at Buttonwillow Parks and Recreation.

Applicant continues to run education advertisements in the Kern Business Journal and will publish and distribute its Spring Newsletter in April. The newsletter includes in-depth articles on HECA project components and community involvement and is delivered to every resident of Tupman and Buttonwillow plus additional stakeholders.

DATED: April 9, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

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