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California Energy Commission

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Re: Notice of Public Hearing for the Proposed Issuance of Determination of Compliance (DOC)
Facility # S-7616
Project # S-1121903

Dear Mr. Worl:

The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District will hold a public hearing to receive oral comments regarding the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for Hydrogen Energy California, LLC. The hearing will be held on April 2, 2013 at 6:00 pm, at the District's office at 34946 Flyover Court in Bakersfield, CA.

The public comment period on the PDOC began on February 13, 2013. As a result of this public hearing, the public comment period on the PDOC has been extended through April 17, 2013 at 5:30 pm.

The proposed DOC is for the installation of a power generation facility that uses integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC), to produce a hydrogen-rich synthesis gas from a blend of coal or petroleum coke to power one combined-cycle combustion turbine generator. The facility will generate a total net output of up to a nominal 300 megawatts (MW) (up to 431 MW gross output) in a combined cycle power block; manufacture up to 1 million tons per year of nitrogen-based products in an integrated fertilizer manufacturing complex; and capture a stream that is comprised primarily of carbon dioxide (CO₂), a greenhouse gas, and transport it by pipeline to a neighboring oilfield for enhanced oil recovery (EOR) and sequestration. The proposed project is to be located at Section 10, Township 30S, Range 24E, approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Tupman in western Kern County.

The proposed project is subject to requirements of Rule 2201 – New and Modified Stationary Source Review Rule and Rule 2410 – Prevention of Significant Deterioration.

The analysis of the regulatory basis for these proposed actions, project #S-1121903, has been mailed to you separately and is also available for public inspection at http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm and the

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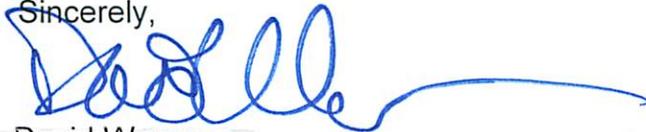
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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Leonard Scandura, Permit Services Manager, at (661) 392-5500.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Warner", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Warner
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF DETERMINATION OF COMPLIANCE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that due to request by the public, the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District will hold a public hearing to receive oral comments regarding the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (DOC) for Hydrogen Energy California, LLC for the installation of a power generation facility that uses integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC), to produce a hydrogen-rich synthesis gas from a blend of coal or petroleum coke to power one combined-cycle combustion turbine generator. The facility will generate a total net output of up to a nominal 300 megawatts (MW) (up to 431 MW gross output) in a combined cycle power block; manufacture up to 1 million tons per year of nitrogen-based products in an integrated fertilizer manufacturing complex; and capture a stream that is comprised primarily of carbon dioxide (CO₂), a greenhouse gas, and transport it by pipeline to a neighboring oilfield for enhanced oil recovery (EOR) and sequestration. The proposed project is to be located at Section 10, Township 30S, Range 24E, approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Tupman in western Kern County.

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