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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
ENERGY RESOURCES  
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF: ) DOCKET NO. 08-AFC-08A  
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION, ) STATUS REPORT NO. 7  
FOR THE HYDROGEN ENERGY )  
CALIFORNIA PROJECT BY HYDROGEN )  
ENERGY CALIFORNIA LLC )  
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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. 7 on behalf of Hydrogen Energy California LLC (HECA or Applicant). This Status Report provides an overview of key activities by HECA since April 9, 2013, when HECA submitted Status Report No. 6.

**I. RESPONSES TO DATA AND WORKSHOP REQUESTS**

On May 9, 2013, Applicant submitted Responses to CEC Set 3 Data Requests Nos. A189-190. *See* Docket No. 70733

On May 7, 2013, Applicant submitted an Overview of HECA Permitting Activity at the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. *See* Docket No. 70658

On May 7, 2013, Applicant submitted a Response to Concerned Neighbors PDOC Comment Letter. *See* Docket No. 70657

On May 3, 2013, Applicant submitted Supplemental Response to Commission Data Request No. 54. *See* Docket No. 70654

On April 5, 2013, Applicant submitted Exhibit A - Railroad Crossing Site. *See* Docket No. 70239

On April 18, 2013, Applicant submitted Response to CEC Regarding Coal and Limestone Mines. *See* Docket No. 70384

On April 10, 2013, Applicant submitted URS's Response Regarding MW and Limestone Fluxant. *See* Docket No. 70376

On April 12, 2013, Applicant submitted Applicant, URS and US Dept of Energy's Response to USFWS' Comments on the Biological Assessment for the HECA Project. *See* Docket No. 70316

## **II. AGENCY COORDINATION**

On May 30, 2013, Applicant conducted a project site tour with USFWS staff.

On May 30, 2013 Applicant met with Caltrans District 6 in Fresno, CA to discuss traffic mitigation.

On April 17, 2013, Applicant met with individual Kern County Supervisors and also with the Kern County Planning Director, County Roads Director and County Waste Management Director to discuss the overall HECA project, answer questions, and address county issues.

On May 15, 2013 Applicant attended a Spanish language Public Hearing held by the SJVAPCD in Buttonwillow, CA to discuss the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC).

On March 21, 2013 Applicant Attended SJVAPCD Governing Board Meeting in Fresno, CA where the motion was approved to accept the Voluntary Emission Reduction and Mitigation Agreements.

## **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. 6, including the following:

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, Applicant distributed newsletters to all residents of Buttonwillow and Tupman via postal mail in addition to sending email newsletter to more than 1,200 HECA stakeholders. Newsletters were provided in English and Spanish language and posted on the HECA website at [www.heca.com](http://www.heca.com) The newsletter included a public notice for the May 15<sup>th</sup> SJVAPCD hearing in Buttonwillow.

On May 20<sup>th</sup>, the Taft Midway Driller editorial board issued an opinion editorial in its weekend edition May 17-20, 2013 in support of the HECA project, stating “Hydrogen Energy is a win-win proposition that makes a lot of sense.” The editorial is posted on the HECA website at [www.heca.com](http://www.heca.com)

On May 25<sup>th</sup>, Applicant sponsored a fundraiser for the Buttonwillow Little League and hosted a BBQ dinner for attendees.

On May 29<sup>th</sup>, Taft District Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau issued a letter of support for the HECA project.

Applicant is participating on the Buttonwillow Community Project as a committee member. This committee is dedicated to the clean-up and revitalization of Buttonwillow and includes local business community/farmers, chamber members, law enforcement and residents.

Applicant continued participation in the local B-Safe program and the Buttonwillow Resource Center, including hosting monthly B-safe advisory committee meetings at the HECA Information Center

Applicant provided sponsorship to the local FUSE youth group and leadership program.

Applicant provided sponsorship to the Shafter Summer Baseball Program.

Applicant continues to run education advertisements in the Kern Business Journal.

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Respectfully submitted,

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PROJECT (“HECA”)	)	
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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, and that I am over the age of 18 years. Executed on June 13, 2013, at Costa Mesa, California.

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