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## TO HECK WITH HECA

It is time that the regulators that control the continued existence of the HECA project put a stop to this boondoggle. I do not know all the details but it is apparent to me ( if not obvious ) that the only reason for the continued attempt to build this project is for the federal dollars that are available. The HECA promoters continue to come up with new ideas for the sequestration of the CO<sub>2</sub> as each of the preceding ones are found lacking or the expected purchaser of the green house gas cancels its commitment to purchase the gas. This looks like an interesting business plan which starts with a “clean coal generation” and a customer for the green house gas. When the customer for the gas disappears, why does the project not also disappear; because of the federal money available. I do not know if the funds available are grants or subsidies. But if they are grants then the temptation to develop the project is almost irresistible. And that seems to be the case. So I would expect that the funding available is a grant. But either way the developer of the project has little incentive and little if any financial risk if it is a business failure. But in the meantime the public has a great deal at stake. Here we are building a coal fired plant while at the same time we are struggling to get countries like India and China (and the USA) to reduce their reliance on coal fired power plants. There are so many risks not just to global warming but to the local community, which by themselves justify the cancellation of this project-but I have run out of the space allotted to a letter.

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