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<b>Document Title:</b>	Applicant Memo to CEC Regarding Removal of Hydrogen Component
<b>Description:</b>	A memo from Intersect Power to the California Energy Commission providing official notice that the Darden Clean Energy Project no longer includes a green hydrogen generation component.
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**Subject: Removal of Green Hydrogen from the Darden Clean Energy Project (23-OPT-02)**

Please accept this memorandum as official notice from Intersect Power (“IP”) that the Darden Clean Energy Project (“Project”) no longer includes a green hydrogen generation component as a part of the Project. The updated simple Project description is as follows:

IP Darden I, LLC and Affiliates (Applicant) propose to construct and operate the Darden Clean Energy Project on approximately 9,500 acres in western Fresno County. The project consists of a 1,150 megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) facility, an up to 4,600 megawatt-hour battery energy storage system (BESS), a 34.5-500 kilovolt (kV) grid step-up substation, a 10- to 15-mile 500 kV generation intertie (gen-tie) line, and a 500 kV utility switching station. The project would interconnect to the existing Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Los Banos-Midway #2 500 kV transmission line. The project would be located in an agricultural area of unincorporated Fresno County south of the community of Cantua Creek.

The solar PV facility would be made up of approximately 3,100,000 solar panels, inverter-transformer stations, and an electrical collection system, and would be located on approximately 9,100 acres of lands currently owned by Westlands Water District that would be purchased by the Applicant. The 500 kV gen-tie line would be sited within an approximate 200-foot wide easement on private lands. Following construction of the utility switchyard by the Applicant, ownership and operations would transfer to PG&E. The BESS would be capable of storing up to 1,150 MW of electricity for four hours (up-to 4,600 MWh).

An updated detailed project description, with the green hydrogen component removed, will also be submitted.

IP Darden I, LLC and Affiliates  
c/o Intersect Power, LLC