NOTICE OF PROPOSED AWARD
Round 1

Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program

Grant Solicitation PON-13-609
Pilot-Scale and Commercial-Scale Advanced Biofuels Production Facilities

May 7, 2014

On January 14, 2014, the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) released a Grant Solicitation and Application Package entitled “Pilot-Scale and Commercial-Scale Advanced Biofuels Production Facilities” under the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program (ARFVTP) to provide funding for the development of new, or the modification of, existing California-based biofuel production facilities that can sustainably produce low carbon transportation fuels. The grant solicitation announced that there is a total of $24 million available for the agreements resulting from this solicitation and that the Energy Commission, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to increase or reduce the amount of funds available.

In order to encourage “shovel-ready” projects and to ensure timely encumbrance of funds, the Energy Commission will conduct two rounds of scoring. The evaluation committee has conducted the first round of scoring using the scoring criteria in the solicitation for applications passing the administrative screening and demonstrating CEQA compliance by May 1, 2014.

The attached table, “Notice of Proposed Awards”, identifies the applicant selected and recommended for funding by Energy Commission staff and includes the amount of recommended funding and score. This notice is being mailed to all parties who submitted an application to this solicitation and is also posted on the Energy Commission’s website at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/index.html>.

A second round of scoring will be performed for all applications that were not scored in Round 1. Applications scored, but not funded in Round 1 will compete for funding in Round 2. The notice for Round 2 will include the scores for all applications scored in both Round 1 and Round 2. The Energy Commission anticipates the Round 2 notice of proposed awards will be available in July 2014.

Funding of proposed projects resulting from this solicitation is contingent upon the approval of these projects at a publicly noticed Business Meeting at the Energy
Commission in Sacramento, California, and execution of a grant agreement. If the Energy Commission is unable to timely negotiate and execute a funding agreement with an Applicant, the Energy Commission, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to cancel the pending award and recommend funding to the next highest ranking eligible application. Applicants will be notified of such changes in a revised notice.

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# Fuel Category: Diesel Substitute

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