

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

March 20, 2020

Rebecca Hollis Clean Energy Systems 3035 Prospect Park Dr., Suite 120 Rancho Cordova, California 95670

RE: Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit Application Class VI Pre-Construction Permit Application No. R9UIC-CA6-FY20-1 Administrative Review of Application

Dear Ms. Hollis:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 (EPA) has received the Clean Energy Systems (CES) UIC Class VI Pre-Construction permit application via the Geologic Sequestration Data Tool (GSDT) on February 18, 2020 for a new injection well at the CES Mendota Plant in California. EPA has reviewed the permit application, pursuant to 40 CFR §124.3(c), and determined that it contains the information required by the GSDT.

We understand that CES has claimed certain figures within the Project Narrative as confidential business information (CBI) and didn't include the CBI in the application because the GSDT is not designed to handle confidential information. We will provide CES instructions for transmitting the CBI as soon as possible.

We will begin our technical review of the permit application. During this phase, please note that we may request additional information and clarification of previously submitted information.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Calvin Ho at (415) 972-3262, or call me at (415) 972-3971.

Sincerely,

David Albright Manager, Groundwater Protection Section

cc (via email): Cameron Campbell, CalGEM Inland District Clay Rodgers, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board John Borkovich, CA State Water Resources Control Board Emily Reader, CalGEM