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FutureGen Alliance Formally Seeking Proposals for CO₂ Storage Site

Springfield, Ill. — The FutureGen Alliance released a Request for Site Proposals (RFP) today for communities that would like to be considered to host the carbon dioxide (CO₂) storage site for the FutureGen 2.0 project. Participating locations must declare their intent to submit a proposal by November 3, 2010, and will have until 3:00 p.m. CT on November 15, 2010, to submit their applications electronically. The Alliance will announce the selected site in early 2011.

“Today’s announcement is a positive step forward for FutureGen, but it is also an important step forward for Illinois communities seeking greater economic opportunity and a highly visible role in advancing energy technology,” said Kenneth K. Humphreys, chief executive officer of the FutureGen Alliance. “FutureGen 2.0’s CO₂ storage site will be at the forefront of American energy technology, and the Alliance looks forward to reviewing what are likely to be excellent proposals for this site selection process.”

A bidders meeting will be held this Thursday, October 28 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. CT to explain the process to potential bidders and address questions. Prospective bidders can send up to 4 representatives per site to the meeting and must RSVP no later than Noon CT on Wednesday, October 27 to SiteInfo@FutureGenAlliance.org. Following the bidders meeting, there will be an open house for the public from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. CT to learn more about the FutureGen 2.0 project and its carbon capture and sequestration (CCS) technology. These events will take place at Northfield Inn & Suites Conference Center, 3280 Northfield Drive in Springfield, Ill.

The RFP can be found at www.FutureGenAlliance.org. Evaluation criteria include geologic formation attributes, site availability, protection of human health and safety and the environment, cost minimization, and the ability to meet the design and construction schedule. Local community support for the CO₂ storage site also will be critical. The storage site will receive and store CO₂ emissions from an upgraded power plant in Meredosia, Ill, and will also host a CCS research complex, an education and training center, and a visitors center.

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