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Texas Energy Leaders Praise FutureGen Legislation by Rep. Bryan Hughes
House Bill 2201 Improves Texas' Chance of Attracting Zero-Emissions Power Plant

AUSTIN – Texas energy leaders today praised legislation by state Rep. Bryan Hughes, R-Mineola, that would streamline the state permitting process, making Texas more competitive for the FutureGen energy project.

“Texas has more to gain than any other state in the nation from the success of this FutureGen project. Rep. Hughes is to be commended for bringing forth this legislation that will greatly aid our efforts to bring FutureGen to Texas,” said Donna McDonald, Administrative Director of the Clean Coal Technology Foundation of Texas.

“One of the critical selection criteria the U.S. Department of Energy has identified for the FutureGen project is the ability to ensure the predictable and timely permitting and construction of the components that will make up the project. House Bill 2201 addresses this important issue and we fully support it,” McDonald said, during public testimony before the House Regulated Industries Committee.

FutureGen is a \$1 billion public-private partnership to design, build and operate a zero-emission, coal-fueled power plant that will develop and test clean coal technologies. Texas is competing with other states to become the home of FutureGen.

“Coal-fueled electricity and clean air are not mutually exclusive. We can have both. The key, however, is technology – to be specific, the development of clean coal technologies envisioned by FutureGen,” McDonald said.

The Clean Coal Technology Foundation of Texas is a non-profit organization formed in early 2004 to support the activities of the Governor’s Clean Coal Technology Council.

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