

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
Current Report
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 16, 2024

GLOBAL CLEAN ENERGY HOLDINGS, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

000-12627

(Commission File Number)

87-0407858

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

6451 Rosedale Hwy, Bakersfield, California

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

93308

(Zip Code)

(661) 742-4600

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12).
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
None	N/A	N/A

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

On December 16, 2024, certain subsidiaries of Global Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. (“we,” “us,” “our” and the “Company”) entered into Amendment No. 18 to the Company’s senior secured term loan credit agreement (the “Senior Credit Agreement”), by and among BKRF OCB, LLC, as the borrower (the “Borrower”), BKRF OCP, LLC, as the pledgor, Bakersfield Renewable Fuels, LLC, Orion Energy Partners TP Agent, LLC, in its capacity as the administrative agent (the “Administrative Agent”), and the lenders party thereto (“Amendment No. 18”). Amendment No. 18 provides for, among other things, an upsizing of the Tranche D commitments under the Senior Credit Agreement of up to \$314,550,000 (the “Upsize”), of which any unfunded portion will automatically terminate on December 31, 2024. In consideration for the Upsize, Amendment No. 18 provides that an aggregate of \$32,000,000 of Tranche B loans outstanding under the Senior Credit Agreement will be recharacterized as Tranche C+ loans, which provide for a minimum return of 1.35x.

The foregoing description of Amendment No. 18 is qualified in its entirety by reference to such agreement, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Appointment of Director

On December 16, 2024, the board of directors of the Company (the “Board”) appointed Mr. Todd Arden to serve as an additional independent director until the Company’s next annual meeting of stockholders or his earlier resignation, removal or disqualification. Mr. Arden will serve as a member of a special committee of the Board (the “Special Committee”), which has been established to evaluate strategic and financial alternatives regarding the Company. Ms. Susan L. Anhalt, a current independent director of the Board, will also serve on the Special Committee.

Mr. Arden most recently served as Senior Managing Director and Co-Chief Credit Officer for Black Diamond Capital Management, LLC, an alternative asset management firm, from January 2016 to March 2020. He currently serves on the board of directors of Quantum Corporation (Nasdaq: QMCO), the Franchise Group, Inc., Foundation Partners Group, MetricStream and IAP Worldwide Services, Inc. Mr. Arden received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Northwestern University and a Masters in Business Administration degree from Columbia University’s Graduate School of Business. Mr. Arden is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Arden and any other persons pursuant to which he was appointed. With respect to the disclosure required pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, there are no transactions between the Company and Mr. Arden that would be required to be reported.

Letter Agreements

In connection with their appointment to the Special Committee, Mr. Arden and Ms. Anhalt each entered into letter agreements with the Company, dated as of December 17, 2024 (the “Letter Agreements”). Pursuant to Mr. Arden’s Letter Agreement, the Company agreed to pay Mr. Arden (a) \$35,000 per month, (b) a per diem amount of \$5,000 under certain specified limited circumstances and (c) reimbursement of all reasonable and documented expenses incurred in connection with his service to the Company as a director, until the termination of his service as a director. Ms. Anhalt’s Letter Agreement is similar, except that the Company agreed to pay Ms. Anhalt cash compensation at an amount to be determined by the Board at a future date.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 20, 2024, the Company issued a press release announcing commencement of operations at its renewable diesel facility in Bakersfield, California. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K under Item 7.01 and set forth in the attached Exhibit 99.1 is deemed to be “furnished” solely pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
10.1	Amendment No. 18 to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 16, 2024, by and among BKRF OCB, LLC, BKRF OCP, LLC, Bakersfield Renewable Fuels, LLC, Orion Energy Partners TP Agent, LLC, in its capacity as the administrative agent, and the lenders referred to therein.
99.1	Press Release, dated December 20, 2024
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

December 20, 2024

By: /s/ Wade Adkins
Wade Adkins
Chief Financial Officer

AMENDMENT NO. 18 TO CREDIT AGREEMENT

This AMENDMENT NO. 18 TO CREDIT AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”), dated as of December 16, 2024 (the “Signing Date”), is entered into by and among BKRF OCB, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the “Borrower”), BKRF OCP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Holdings”), Bakersfield Renewable Fuels, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the “Project Company”), Orion Energy Partners TP Agent, LLC, in its capacity as the administrative agent (in such capacity, the “Administrative Agent”), and the Tranche A Lenders, Tranche B Lenders, Tranche C Lenders, Tranche C+ Lenders and Tranche D Lenders party hereto, constituting the Required Lenders (as defined in the Credit Agreement (as defined below)) (collectively, the “Signatory Lenders”). As used in this Agreement, capitalized terms which are not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Credit Agreement unless otherwise specified.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Borrower, Holdings, the Administrative Agent, Orion Energy Partners TP Agent, LLC, in its capacity as the collateral agent, and each Tranche A Lender, Tranche B Lender, Tranche C Lender, Tranche C+ Lender and Tranche D Lender from time to time party thereto have entered into that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of May 4, 2020 (as amended, amended and restated, modified and supplemented on or prior to the date hereof, the “Credit Agreement,” and the Credit Agreement as expressly amended by this Agreement, the “Amended Credit Agreement”);

WHEREAS, the Borrower and the Lenders entered into the Credit Agreement based on certain estimated costs to install, develop and construct the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Amendment No. 17 to Credit Agreement, dated as of August 29, 2024, by and among the Borrower, Holdings, the Project Company, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders party thereto, the parties upsized the Tranche D Commitments to an aggregate principal amount of up to \$294,550,000 (with an option to further upsize the Tranche D Commitments up to \$299,550,000 pursuant thereto) (the “Tranche D Facility”);

WHEREAS, the Credit Agreement needs to be revised to more accurately reflect the updated scope and cost estimates of the Project;

WHEREAS, in order to fund the installation, development, construction and operation of the Project, the parties hereto have determined that the Tranche D Facility may need to be upsized to an aggregate principal amount of up to \$314,550,000; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Agreement, the Borrower has requested, and the parties hereto have agreed, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in this Agreement, to amend the Credit Agreement effective as of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, provisions and covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Tranche D Commitments. Subject to the satisfaction of all the conditions precedent set forth in Section 4 hereof, as of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date,

(a) each Tranche D Lender providing additional Tranche D Commitments (any such upsizing Lender, a “Tranche D Upsizing Lender”) hereby severally commits to make one or more

Tranche D Loans to the Borrower pursuant to the provisions of, and subject to the conditions contained in, the Amended Credit Agreement in an amount up to the commitment amount set forth next to such Tranche D Lender's name on Exhibit A attached hereto under the caption "Total Tranche D Commitments";

(b) each Signatory Lender, the Administrative Agent and each of the Loan Parties hereby:

(1) consents to the upsizing and incurrence by Borrower of the Tranche D Commitments (including any Tranche D Loans incurred in respect thereof) as set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto;

(2) agrees that a portion of the Tranche B Loans funded prior to the date hereof are being recharacterized as Tranche C+ Loans as set forth below:

(1) as of the date hereof, as consideration for the provision of the Tranche D Commitments that are being provided on the date hereof (which Tranche D Commitments are reflected in Exhibit A hereto), \$32,000,000 of the Tranche B Loans of certain specified Tranche D Lenders Affiliated with Orion Infrastructure Capital are being recharacterized as Tranche C+ Loans as of the date hereof (which allocations are specified on Exhibit A hereto);

(such aggregate conversion amount, the "Tranche C+ Conversion Amount"). In connection with the foregoing, the parties agree that (x) the foregoing conversion applies only to the funded portion of the Tranche B Loans first (*i.e.*, the portion constituting "Called Principal," if applicable) and not to any Tranche B Loans resulting from previous payment in kind, and (y) the resulting Tranche C+ Loans shall, for purposes of calculating the "Called Principal," be considered funded Loans (and not payment in kind). The Administrative Agent shall keep reasonably detailed records as to the Tranche C+ Conversion Amounts of all Lenders and shall, upon the request of any Lender or Loan Party, promptly provide a calculation of the same to such Lender or Loan Party.

(3) agrees that the upsized Tranche D Commitments, and any Tranche D Loans incurred in respect thereof, shall be Commitments and Loans for all purposes under the Credit Agreement;

(4) agrees that Annex I to Credit Agreement (Commitments and Existing Loans) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with Exhibit A attached hereto; and

(5) agrees that any unfunded Tranche D Commitments shall automatically terminate as of 2:00 p.m. ET on December 31, 2024 (or such later date as the Administrative Agent agrees in its sole discretion); and

(c) each Tranche D Lender with commitments in respect of the Tranche D Facility hereby agrees to make Tranche D Loans in each case in the amount set forth next to such Lender's name on Exhibit A attached hereto under the caption "Tranche D Loans to be Funded on or within 2 BDs of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date" notwithstanding the notice period required by Section 2.01(d) of the Credit Agreement and to be funded on or within 2 BDs of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date, in each case provided the other applicable conditions precedent are met.

2. Amendments. Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 4 hereof, as of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date, the Borrower, the other Loan Parties, the

Administrative Agent and the Signatory Lenders hereby agree that the Credit Agreement is amended as follows:

- (a) Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by inserting the following new definition:

“Eighteenth Amendment” means that certain Amendment No. 18 to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 16, 2024, by and among the Borrower, Holdings, the Project Company, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders party thereto.

- (b) Section 2.01(bbb) of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by adding the following sentence at the end of such subsection: “Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any unfunded Tranche D Commitments will automatically terminate as of 2:00 p.m. ET on December 31, 2024 (or such later date as the Administrative Agent agrees in its sole discretion).”

- (c) Section 4.03 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by inserting new clauses (j) and (k) as follows:

(j) Budget Compliance. Except with respect to any disbursement of Tranche D Loans to be made pursuant to Section 1(c) of the Eighteenth Amendment, the disbursements (other than disbursements made for the purchase of natural gas or electricity in the ordinary course of business) made by the Borrower, Sponsor and SusOils shall be in compliance in all respects with the January 7 Budget (as defined in the Eighteenth Amendment), as such January 7 Budget may be adjusted upon the written request by the Borrower and approval of the Administrative Agent (which shall not be unreasonably withheld).

(k) Tranche D Commitments following the Eighteenth Amendment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 4.03 or Section 4.04, the only conditions precedent to a Funding Date with respect to the Tranche D Commitments made available to the Loan Parties pursuant to the Eighteenth Amendment shall be those set forth (i) in the Eighteenth Amendment and (ii) in clauses (a), (b)(i), (d) (other than with respect to representations and warranties set forth set forth in Section 3.05, 3.06, 3.09, 3.14 and 3.25 of the Credit Agreement; provided, that such carve-out shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver or otherwise affect the rights and remedies of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent, or any of the other parties under the Financing Documents), (e), (f), (h) and (j) of this Section 4.03.

- (d) Section 4.04 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by inserting a new clause (g) as follows:

(g) Budget Compliance. Except with respect to any disbursement of Tranche D Loans to be made pursuant to Section 1(c) of the Eighteenth Amendment, the disbursements (other than disbursements made for the purchase of natural gas or electricity in the ordinary course of business) made by the Borrower, Sponsor and SusOils shall be in compliance in all respects with the January 7 Budget (as defined in the Eighteenth Amendment), as such January 7 Budget may be adjusted pursuant to Section 4.03(j).

(e) Section 5.29(a)(i) of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended to remove the stricken text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: ~~stricken text~~) and to add the double-underlined text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: double-underlined text) as set forth below:

(i) Deposits into the Construction Account. Except as otherwise specified in this Section 5.29, Borrower shall deposit, and shall use all reasonable efforts to cause third parties that would otherwise make payments directly to Borrower to deposit, (a) all revenues, payments, cash and proceeds (including Loan proceeds and any tax credit proceeds, including from the Federal blender's tax credit) from whatever source received by it after the Closing Date and prior to the Term Conversion Date to be deposited into the Construction Account (excluding any amounts required to be deposited into any Permitted Working Capital Facility Account in accordance with the applicable Permitted Working Capital Facility Documents) ~~and~~ (b) all Loan proceeds from and after the Term Conversion Date and (c) prior to the Term Conversion Date, all amounts required to be transferred out of the Permitted Working Capital Facility Account to the Collateral Accounts pursuant to the Permitted Working Capital Facility Documents (for the avoidance of doubt, following settlement of any amounts required to be paid pursuant to the Permitted Working Capital Facility Documents) to be deposited into the Construction Account.

(f) Section 5.29(b)(i) of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended to remove the stricken text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: ~~stricken text~~) and to add the double-underlined text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: double-underlined text) as set forth below:

(i) Deposits into the Revenue Account. Except as otherwise specified in this Section 5.29, Borrower shall deposit ~~all amounts transferred from the Permitted Working Capital Facility Account to the Revenue Account pursuant to the Permitted Working Capital Facility Documents~~ from and after the Term Conversion Date, all amounts required to be transferred out of the Permitted Working Capital Facility Account to the Collateral Accounts pursuant to the Permitted Working Capital Facility Documents (for the avoidance of doubt, following settlement of any amounts required to be paid pursuant to the Permitted Working Capital Facility Documents) to be deposited in the Revenue Account.

(g) Section 5.30 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by inserting a new clause (e) and (f) as follows:

(e) CTCI Settlement Proposal and Claims. The Borrower shall use commercially reasonable efforts to keep the Administrative Agent informed, promptly following the Administrative Agent's written request, regarding the settlement proposal and related negotiations with CTCI with respect to ongoing disputes between the Borrower and its Affiliates and CTCI under, or relating to, the CTCI EPC Agreement.

(f) The Borrower shall deliver, on or prior to December 23, 2024 (or such later date as the Administrative Agent agrees in its sole discretion) to the

Administrative Agent a plan approved by the board of directors of the Sponsor to reduce anticipated Project Costs, Operating Expenses and other expenses relating to the Loan Parties, Sponsor, SusOils and their Affiliates, including a detailed timeline and execution plan for implementation of the reductions, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion.

3. Representations and Warranties. As of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date, each Loan Party hereby represents and warrants to the other parties hereto that:

(a) Each Loan Party has full corporate, limited liability company or other organizational powers, authority and legal right to enter into, deliver and perform its respective obligations under this Agreement, and has taken all necessary corporate, limited liability company or other organizational action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Loan Parties, is in full force and effect and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Loan Parties, enforceable against such Loan Party in accordance with its respective terms, except as enforcement may be limited (i) by Bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and (iii) implied covenants of good faith and fair dealing.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of this Agreement does not and will not (i) conflict with the Organizational Documents of such Loan Party, (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, loan agreement, mortgage, deed of trust or other instrument or agreement to which such Loan Party is a party or by which it is bound or to which such Loan Party's property or assets are subject (other than any Material Project Document to which such Loan Party is a party), except where such contravention or breach could not reasonably be expected to be material and adverse to the Loan Parties or Lenders, (iii) conflict with or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under, any Material Project Document to which such Loan Party is a party, (iv) conflict with or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under, in any material respect, any Applicable Law, except where such contravention or breach could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, or (v) with respect to each Loan Party, result in the creation or imposition of any Lien (other than a Permitted Lien) upon any of such Loan Party's property or the Collateral.

(c) After giving effect to the amendments set forth in this Agreement, the representations and warranties of each of the Loan Parties set forth in Article III of the Credit Agreement (other than those set forth in Section 3.05, 3.06, 3.09, 3.14 and 3.25 of the Credit Agreement) and in each other Financing Document are true and correct in all material respects (except where already qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect, in which case, such representations and warranties are true and correct in all respects) on and as of the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date (unless stated to relate solely to an earlier date, in which case such representations and warranties were true and correct as of such earlier date); provided, that any such carve-out listed in this clause (c) shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver or otherwise affect the rights and remedies of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent, or any of the other parties under the Financing Documents.

4. Effectiveness; Conditions Precedent. This Agreement, including the increased Tranche D Commitments, shall become effective on the first date on which each of the following conditions have been satisfied or waived (such date, the "Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date"):

(a) This Agreement shall have been executed on the Signing Date by the Administrative Agent, the Loan Parties and the Signatory Lenders (such execution not to be unreasonably

delayed or waived) and the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts to each which, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto.

(b) Borrower has arranged for payment on the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date of all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees and expenses then due and payable pursuant to the Financing Documents and the funds flow memorandum delivered pursuant to clause (e) below.

(c) The Administrative Agent shall have received evidence that an original copy of an amendment to the Mortgage (the “Mortgage Amendment”), substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, was sent to the Title Company.

(d) The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have received an executed copy of a Borrowing Request for Tranche D Loans for funding on or about the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date.

(e) Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a funds flow memorandum detailing the proposed flow, and use, of the Loan proceeds, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(f) Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a budget of the Sponsor, the Borrower and SusOils through January 7, 2025 (the “January 7 Budget”), in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion.

5. Reaffirmation of Guarantees and Security Interests.

The Borrower, Holdings and Project Company (each, a “Reaffirming Party”) hereby acknowledges that it (a) has reviewed the terms and provisions of this Agreement, (b) consents to the amendments to the Credit Agreement effected pursuant to this Agreement and consents to the terms, conditions and other provisions of this Agreement, and (c) consents to each of the transactions contemplated hereby. Each Reaffirming Party hereby confirms that each Financing Document to which it is a party or otherwise bound and all Collateral encumbered thereby will continue to guarantee or secure, as the case may be, to the fullest extent possible in accordance with the Financing Documents the payment and performance of all Obligations under and as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement (including all such Obligations as amended and reaffirmed pursuant to this Amendment) under each of the Financing Documents to which it is a party.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Reaffirming Party hereby confirms, ratifies and reaffirms its payment obligations, guarantees, pledges, grants of security interests and other obligations, as applicable, under and subject to the terms of each of the Financing Documents to which it is a party. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a new grant of security interest. Each Reaffirming Party hereby confirms that no additional filings or recordings, other than the recording of the Mortgage Amendment, need to be made, and no other actions need to be taken, by such Reaffirming Party as a consequence of this Agreement in order to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interests created by the Financing Documents to which it is a party.

Each Reaffirming Party acknowledges and agrees that each of the Financing Documents to which it is a party or otherwise bound shall continue in full force and effect and that all of its payment obligations, guarantees, pledges, grants of security interests and other obligations, as applicable, under and subject to the terms of such Financing Documents shall be valid and enforceable and shall not be impaired or limited by the execution or effectiveness of this Amendment or any of the transactions contemplated hereby.

6. Miscellaneous.

(a) Effect of Amendments. From and after the Eighteenth Amendment Effective Date, the Credit Agreement shall be construed after giving effect to the amendments set forth in this Agreement and all references to the Credit Agreement in the Financing Documents shall be deemed to refer to the Amended Credit Agreement.

(b) No Other Modification. Except as expressly modified by this Agreement and the Mortgage Amendment, the Credit Agreement and the other Financing Documents are and shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect, and nothing contained in this Agreement shall, by implication or otherwise, limit, impair, constitute a waiver of, or otherwise affect the rights and remedies of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent, or any of the other parties, or shall alter, modify, amend or in any way affect any of the other terms, conditions, obligations, covenants or agreements contained in the Credit Agreement which are not by the terms of this Agreement being amended, or alter, modify or amend or in any way affect any of the other Financing Documents.

(c) Successor and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties to this Agreement and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

(d) Incorporation by Reference. Sections 10.07 (*Severability*), 10.11 (*Headings*), 10.09 (*Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Etc.*) and 10.17 (*Electronic Execution of Assignments and Certain Other Documents*) of the Credit Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference herein, *mutatis mutandis*.

(e) Financing Document. This Agreement shall be deemed to be a Financing Document.

(f) Counterparts; Integration. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. The Amended Credit Agreement and the other Financing Documents to which a Loan Party is party constitute the entire contract between and among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Agreement by telecopy or scanned electronic transmission shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

(g) Electronic Signatures. The words “execution,” “execute,” “signed,” “signature,” and words of like import in or related to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the parties hereto, or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.

(h) Severability. Any provision of this Agreement held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.

(i) Release. IN ORDER TO INDUCE THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND THE LENDERS TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT, EACH OF THE LOAN PARTIES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE SUCCESSORS-IN-TITLE AND ASSIGNEES AND, TO THE EXTENT THE SAME IS CLAIMED BY RIGHT OF, THROUGH OR UNDER ANY OF THE LOAN PARTIES, FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, SHAREHOLDERS, MEMBERS, MANAGERS, AND TRUSTEES (EACH, A “RELEASING PARTY,” AND COLLECTIVELY, THE “RELEASING PARTIES”), DOES HEREBY REMISE, RELEASE AND DISCHARGE, AND SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE FOREVER REMISED, RELEASED AND DISCHARGED, THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND EACH OF THE LENDERS, AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT’S AND EACH LENDER’S RESPECTIVE SUCCESSORS-IN-TITLE, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSIGNEES, PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AFFILIATES, SHAREHOLDERS, MEMBERS, MANAGERS, TRUSTEES, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, BOARD OBSERVERS, CONSULTANTS, EXPERTS, ADVISORS, ATTORNEYS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS AND ALL OTHER PERSONS AND ENTITIES TO WHOM ANY OF THE FOREGOING WOULD BE LIABLE IF SUCH PERSONS OR ENTITIES WERE FOUND TO BE LIABLE TO ANY RELEASING PARTY, OR ANY OF THEM (COLLECTIVELY HEREINAFTER, THE “RELEASED PARTIES”), FROM ANY AND ALL MANNER OF ACTION AND ACTIONS, CAUSE AND CAUSES OF ACTION, CLAIMS, CHARGES, DEMANDS, COUNTERCLAIMS, OFFSET RIGHTS, RIGHTS OF RECOUPMENT, DEFENSES, SUITS, DEBTS, DUES, SUMS OF MONEY, ACCOUNTS, RECKONINGS, BONDS, BILLS, SPECIALTIES, COVENANTS, CONTRACTS, CONTROVERSIES, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, EXPENSES, EXECUTIONS, LIENS, CLAIMS OF LIENS, CLAIMS OF COSTS, PENALTIES, ATTORNEYS’ FEES, OR ANY OTHER COMPENSATION, RECOVERY OR RELIEF ON ACCOUNT OF ANY LIABILITY, OBLIGATION, DEMAND OR CAUSE OF ACTION OF WHATEVER NATURE, WHETHER IN LAW, EQUITY OR OTHERWISE (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY SO CALLED “LENDER LIABILITY” CLAIMS, INTEREST OR OTHER CARRYING COSTS, PENALTIES, LEGAL, ACCOUNTING AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES AND EXPENSES AND INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL AND PUNITIVE DAMAGES PAYABLE TO THIRD PARTIES, OR ANY CLAIMS FOR AVOIDANCE OR RECOVERY UNDER ANY OTHER FEDERAL, STATE OR FOREIGN LAW EQUIVALENT), WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FIXED OR CONTINGENT, JOINT AND/OR SEVERAL, SECURED OR UNSECURED, DUE OR NOT DUE, PRIMARY OR SECONDARY, LIQUIDATED OR UNLIQUIDATED, CONTRACTUAL OR TORTIOUS, DIRECT, INDIRECT, OR DERIVATIVE, ASSERTED OR UNASSERTED, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, SUSPECTED OR UNSUSPECTED, NOW EXISTING, HERETOFORE EXISTING OR WHICH MAY HERETOFORE ACCRUE AGAINST ANY OF THE RELEASED PARTIES SOLELY IN THEIR CAPACITIES AS SUCH UNDER THE FINANCING DOCUMENTS, WHETHER HELD IN A PERSONAL OR REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY, AND WHICH ARE BASED ON ANY ACT, FACT, EVENT OR OMISSION OR OTHER MATTER, CAUSE OR THING OCCURRING AT OR FROM ANY TIME PRIOR TO AND INCLUDING THE DATE HEREOF IN ANY WAY, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH OR RELATING TO THE AMENDED CREDIT AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER FINANCING DOCUMENT AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED THEREBY, AND ALL OTHER AGREEMENTS, CERTIFICATES, INSTRUMENTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AND STATEMENTS (WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL) RELATED TO ANY OF THE FOREGOING (EACH, A “CLAIM,” AND COLLECTIVELY, THE “CLAIMS”), IN EACH CASE, EXCLUDING ANY CLAIM TO THE EXTENT SUCH CLAIM AROSE OUT OF, OR WAS CAUSED BY, THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF, OR MATERIAL BREACH OF THE AMENDED CREDIT AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER FINANCING DOCUMENT BY, SUCH RELEASED PARTIES. EACH RELEASING PARTY FURTHER STIPULATES AND AGREES WITH RESPECT TO ALL SUCH CLAIMS, THAT

IT HEREBY WAIVES ANY AND ALL PROVISIONS, RIGHTS, AND BENEFITS CONFERRED BY ANY LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered by their duly authorized signatories as of the day and year first above written.

BKRF OCB, LLC,
as the Borrower

By: /s/ Noal Verleun
Name: Noah Verleun
Title: President

BKRF OCP, LLC,
as Holdings

By: /s/ Noal Verleun
Name: Noah Verleun
Title: President

BAKERSFIELD RENEWABLE FUELS, LLC,
as Project Company

By: /s/ Noal Verleun
Name: Noah Verleun
Title: President

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ORION ENERGY PARTNERS TP AGENT, LLC,
as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Gerrit Nicholas
Name: Gerrit Nicholas
Title: Managing Partner

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ORION ENERGY CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES FUND II, L.P.,
as a Lender

By: Orion Energy Credit Opportunities Fund II GP, L.P., its general partner

By: Orion Energy Credit Opportunities Fund II Holdings, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Gerrit Nicholas
Name: Gerrit Nicholas
Title: Managing Partner

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ORION ENERGY CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES GCE CO-INVEST, L.P.,
as a Lender

By: Orion Energy Credit Opportunities Fund II GP, L.P., its general partner

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Name: Gerrit Nicholas
Title: Managing Partner

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VOYA RENEWABLE ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE ORIGINATOR L.P., as Lender
VOYA RENEWABLE ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE ORIGINATOR I LLC,
as a Lender

By: Voya Alternative Asset Management LLC, as Agent

By: /s/ Edward Levin

Name: Edward Levin

Title: Senior Vice President

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LIF AIV 1, L.P.,
as a Lender

By: GCM Investments GP, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Todd Henigan
Name: Todd Henigan
Title: Authorized Signatory

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VITOL AMERICAS CORP.,
as a Lender

By: /s/ Richard J. Evans
Name: Richard J. Evans
Title: Senior Vice President and CFO

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MORTGAGE AMENDMENT

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**Global Clean Energy Holdings Delivers First Renewable Diesel
from Bakersfield Renewable Fuels Facility**

Production marks success of vertically integrated farm-to-fuel platform

*Initial production of ~250,000 gallons of renewable diesel
per day as Facility continues to ramp production*

LOS ANGELES, CA – December 20, 2024 – Global Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. (OTCQB:GCEH), a renewable fuels innovator and leading camelina producer, today announced that its Bakersfield Renewable Fuels Facility is commercially operational, producing approximately 250,000 gallons of renewable diesel daily. This critical milestone marks a significant step forward as the Company begins delivering sustainable, low-carbon, and cost-efficient fuel to the market.

The Facility leverages patented, highly scalable nonfood camelina varieties to produce renewable fuel that delivers up to 90% lower carbon and greenhouse gas emissions than petroleum-based diesel. With a design capacity of up to approximately 210 million gallons annually, the Facility not only produces renewable diesel but also generates other sustainable co-products, such as renewable propane and renewable butane, contributing to cleaner air quality and a more sustainable energy future.

“I am incredibly proud of our talented team, whose dedication over the past several years has made this achievement possible,” said Noah Verleun, President & Chief Executive Officer. “This milestone validates the tremendous potential of our unique vertically integrated model – from camelina production to refining – and positions us to capitalize on the strong, long-term increasing demand for renewable fuel.”

Global Clean Energy is selling renewable fuels at its truck loading facility in Bakersfield pursuant to its supply and offtake agreement with Vitol, Inc. Global Clean Energy’s vertically integrated, capital-light, farm-to-fuel business model, combined with the Facility’s advantaged logistics and ability to run on multiple feedstocks, ensures operational efficiencies and production flexibility across the value chain.

About Global Clean Energy

Global Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. (OTCQB:GCEH) is a vertically integrated renewable fuels company specializing in the development and cultivation of camelina, a nonfood, regenerative, intermediate oilseed crop, which is used for the production of advanced biofuels and biomaterials. With a vision that begins in the laboratory, moves through the farm gate and finishes with renewable fuels, GCEH’s farm-to-fuels value chain integration provides unrivaled access to reliable, ultra-low carbon feedstocks and is unparalleled in the sustainable fuels industry. To learn more, visit gceholdings.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking information. All statements other than statements of historical fact are “forward-looking statements”, including any statements of the plans, strategies and objectives for future operations, the likelihood of improving camelina yields or achieving any profitability therefrom, strategic value creation, risk profile and investment strategies, and any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance, the ability to operate our Bakersfield renewable fuels

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facility in the manner that it was designed, and the expected financial and operational results of Global Clean Energy Holdings, Inc. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of terminology such as “may,” “will,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “intends,” “believes,” “estimates,” “potential,” or “continue,” or the negative thereof, or other comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements are made based on expectations and beliefs concerning future events affecting us and are subject to uncertainties, risks, and factors relating to our operations and business environments, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control, that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those matters expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Please refer to the risk factors discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, which can be found at the SEC’s website www.sec.gov. The discussion of these risks is specifically incorporated by reference into this press release. Any forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this press release. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update any forward-looking statements.

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