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Attention: Amy Sweeney, Director

Re: Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., FLNG Liquefaction, LLC, FLNG Liquefaction 2, LLC, and

FLNG Liquefaction 3, LLC

FE Docket No. 10-160-LNG; DOE/FE Order No. 2913

Request for Extension of Commencement Date of Export Authorization

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph A of DOE/FE Order No. 2913 (issued February 10, 2011), as amended, Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., FLNG Liquefaction, LLC, FLNG Liquefaction 2, LLC, and FLNG Liquefaction 3, LLC (collectively, "FLEX") were authorized to export up to 511 Bcf per year of domestically produced LNG by vessel from the Freeport Terminal, near Freeport, Texas, for a 25-year period commencing on the earlier of the date of first export or February 10, 2016 (i.e., five years from the date of Order No. 2913).

Subsequent to receipt of the authorization under DOE/FE Order No. 2913, FLEX received authorization to export domestically produced LNG from the Freeport Terminal under DOE/FE Order Nos. 3066 (issued February 10, 2012), 3282-C (issued November 14, 2014), 3357-B (issued November 14, 2014) and 3957 (issued December 19, 2016). Under DOE/FE Order No. 3066, the term of the authorization commences on the earlier of the date of first export from the Freeport Terminal or February 10, 2020 (i.e., eight years from the Order date). Under DOE/FE Order Nos. 3282-C and 3357-B, the term of the authorizations commence on the earlier of the date of first commercial export from the Freeport Terminal or seven years from the Order date. Under DOE/FE Order No. 3957, the term of the authorization commences on the date of commencement of commercial exports from the Freeport Terminal, but not before.

Exports from the Freeport Terminal have yet to commence. Initial site preparation commenced on November 3, 2014 and construction is ongoing. FLEX anticipates the first train of the Liquefaction Project will complete commissioning and commence commercial operations in late 2018. The second train is expected to commence commercial operations approximately five months after the first train, and the third liquefaction train is expected to commence commercial operations approximately six months after the second train. Overall, Train 1 is approximately 60% complete, common facilities are approximately 55% complete, Train 2 is approximately 55% complete, and Train 3 is approximately 40% complete.

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To align the term of authorization under DOE/FE Order No. 2913 with the current construction schedule and the terms of authorization under DOE/FE Order Nos. 3066, 3282-C, 3357-B and 3957, FLEX hereby requests an extension of the commencement date of the term of authorization under DOE/FE Order No. 2913 to be the earlier of the date of first export or February 10, 2020 (i.e., the outside date provided for under DOE/FE Order No. 3066).

Any questions concerning the foregoing should be addressed to the undersigned at (713) 980-2888.

Respectfully Submitted,

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