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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. 14-209-LNG]

American LNG Marketing LLC; Application for Long-Term, Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of receipt of an application (Application), filed on December 31, 2014, by American LNG Marketing LLC (American LNG), requesting long-term, multi-contract authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) in a volume equivalent to approximately 3.02 billion cubic feet per year (Bcf/yr) of natural gas (0.008 Bcf/day). American LNG seeks to export the LNG from a proposed natural gas liquefaction project under construction in Medley, Florida, on the northern portion of the Hialeah Railyard (Hialeah Facility).¹ According to American LNG, the LNG typically will be delivered into approved ISO IMO7/TVAC-ASME LNG (ISO) containers (truck or rail mounted), then loaded onto container ships or roll-on/roll-off ocean-going carriers for export at the nearby Port of Miami or other ports in Florida capable of handling ISO containers without modification (including Port Everglades, Port Canaveral, Port of Palm Beach, and Port of Jacksonville). American LNG requests authorization to export this LNG to any country with which the United States does not have a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas and with which trade is not prohibited by

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U.S. law or policy (non-FTA countries).² American LNG requests the authorization for a 20-year term to commence on the earlier of the date of first export or seven years from the date the authorization is granted. American LNG seeks to export this LNG on its own behalf and as agent for other entities who hold title to the LNG at the time of export. The Application was filed under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA). Additional details can be found in American LNG's Application, posted on the DOE/FE website at:

<http://energy.gov/fe/downloads/american-lng-marketing-llc-fe-dkt-no-14-209-lng>.

Protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and written comments are invited.

DATES: Protests, motions to intervene or notices of intervention, as applicable, requests for additional procedures, and written comments are to be filed using procedures detailed in the **Public Comment Procedures** section no later than 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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Regular Mail

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Office of Fossil Energy
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Hand Delivery or Private Delivery Services (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.)

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Office of Fossil Energy
Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042
1000 Independence Avenue, SW

² In the Application, American LNG also requests authorization to export LNG to any nation that currently has, or in the future may enter into, a FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (FTA countries). DOE/FE will review the request for a FTA export authorization separately pursuant to NGA § 3(c), 15 U.S.C. § 717b(c).

Washington, DC 20585

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

DOE/FE Evaluation

The Application will be reviewed pursuant to section 3(a) of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. § 717b(a), and DOE will consider any issues required by law or policy. To the extent determined to be relevant, these issues will include the domestic need for the natural gas proposed to be exported, the adequacy of domestic natural gas supply, U.S. energy security, and the cumulative impact of the requested authorization and any other LNG export application(s) previously approved on domestic natural gas supply and demand fundamentals. DOE may also consider other factors bearing on the public interest, including the impact of the proposed exports on the U.S. economy (including GDP, consumers, and industry), job creation, the U.S. balance of trade, and international considerations; and whether the authorization is consistent with DOE's policy of promoting competition in the marketplace by allowing commercial parties to freely

negotiate their own trade arrangements. Additionally, DOE will consider the following environmental document: *Addendum to Environmental Review Documents Concerning Exports of Natural Gas From the United States*, 79 FR 48132 (Aug. 15, 2014).³ Parties that may oppose this Application should address these issues in their comments and/or protests, as well as other issues deemed relevant to the Application.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. § 4321 *et seq.*, requires DOE to give appropriate consideration to the environmental effects of its proposed decisions. No final decision will be issued in this proceeding until DOE has met its environmental responsibilities.

Public Comment Procedures

In response to this Notice, any person may file a protest, comments, or a motion to intervene or notice of intervention, as applicable. Due to the complexity of the issues raised by the Applicant, interested parties will be provided 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice in which to submit their comments, protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention.

Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene or notice of intervention. The filing of comments or a protest with respect to the Application will not serve to make the commenter or protestant a party to the proceeding, although protests and comments received from persons who are not parties will be considered in determining the appropriate action to be taken on the Application. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by the regulations in 10 CFR Part 590.

³ The Addendum and related documents are available at: <http://energy.gov/fe/draft-addendum-environmental-review-documents-concerning-exports-natural-gas-united-states>.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods: (1) e-mailing the filing to fergas@hq.doe.gov, with FE Docket No. 14-209-LNG in the title line; (2) mailing an original and three paper copies of the filing to the Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply at the address listed in **ADDRESSES**; or (3) hand delivering an original and three paper copies of the filing to the Office of Oil and Gas Global Supply at the address listed in **ADDRESSES**. All filings must include a reference to FE Docket No. 14-209-LNG. PLEASE NOTE: If submitting a filing via email, please include all related documents and attachments (e.g., exhibits) in the original email correspondence. Please do not include any active hyperlinks or password protection in any of the documents or attachments related to the filing. All electronic filings submitted to DOE must follow these guidelines to ensure that all documents are filed in a timely manner. Any hardcopy filing submitted greater in length than 50 pages must also include, at the time of the filing, a digital copy on disk of the entire submission.

A decisional record on the Application will be developed through responses to this notice by parties, including the parties' written comments and replies thereto. Additional procedures will be used as necessary to achieve a complete understanding of the facts and issues. If an additional procedure is scheduled, notice will be provided to all parties. If no party requests additional procedures, a final Opinion and Order may be issued based on the official record, including the Application and responses filed by parties pursuant to this notice, in accordance with 10 CFR 590.316.

The Application is available for inspection and copying in the Division of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities docket room, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. The docket room is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Application and any filed protests,

motions to intervene or notice of interventions, and comments will also be available electronically by going to the following DOE/FE Web address:

<http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/gasregulation/index.html>.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on March 19, 2015.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "A".

John A. Anderson

Director, Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply
Office of Oil and Natural Gas

Nussdorf, Benjamin

From: Bernstein, Cassandra
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 10:23 AM
To: Anderson, John; Nussdorf, Benjamin
Cc: Smith, Robert J; Talbert, Marc; Myers, Edward
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: American LNG FRN (March 11 Draft)



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Marketing LLC _...

John, thank you for the edits. I accepted them, removed the comment bubbles, and added today's date. I concur.

Ben, ready for Clara.

Fyi – I am working on the Cameron FTA draft now. Thanks!

Cassandra (Cass) S. Bernstein
(202) 586-9793

From: Anderson, John
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2015 8:28 PM
To: Bernstein, Cassandra
Cc: Smith, Robert J; Nussdorf, Benjamin; Talbert, Marc; Myers, Edward
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: American LNG FRN (March 11 Draft)

Cass,
A few edits were made.

1. The Summary of a FRN is limited to one paragraph. We'll need to review the FRN with Clara for any other stylistic editing requirements.
2. linked to the American LNG Docket Landing page – instead of the pdf of the application, which had Nussdorf's name in it. I'll ask Natalie to rename the pdf.
3. a few other edits.

Please review and concur.

Ben – please send a copy to Clara Barley, for her review prior to signing. You can send it with these edits accepted and all comments removed, and then make any last minute changes with Cass' edits (if she has any).

Thanks everyone.

John << File: American LNG Marketing LLC _FR Notice - 03-11 CB - JA.docx >>

From: Bernstein, Cassandra

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