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**Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP**  
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Attention: Natural Gas Reports

**Re: Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP  
DOE/FE Order No. 3331-A, under FE Docket No. 11-128-LNG  
Order Condition O – Semi-Annual Report**

By Order No. 3331-A (Order) dated May 7, 2015, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy (DOE/FE) authorized Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP (DCP) to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) in a volume equivalent to 0.77 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day (Bcf/d) (281 Bcf per year (Bcf/yr)) for a 20-year term.

As required under Ordering Paragraph O, DCP hereby submits a semi-annual report regarding the progress of its proposed Cove Point Liquefaction Project (Project).

**a) Progress of the Project:**

- On September 29, 2014, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued its Order Granting Section 3 and Section 7 Authorizations for the Project in its Docket No. CP13-113. *Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP*, 148 FERC ¶ 61,244 (2014). On November 13, 2014, FERC granted rehearing of that order for the limited purpose of further consideration, with the filed rehearing requests to be addressed in a future order.
- On October 1, 2014, DCP filed with FERC its Implementation Plan for the Project to address the environmental conditions imposed by FERC, in FERC Docket No. CP13-113.
- On November 5, 2014, DOE/FE issued its determination that granting DCP's application for authority to export LNG to non-free trade countries, subject to the conditions imposed in FERC's Order, will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- DCP has submitted to FERC 32 Volumes and 44 Supplements to the Implementation Plan between the dates of October 2, 2014 and March 31, 2016.

- FERC has issued 16 formal Post Order Data Requests between the dates of October 29, 2014 and March 31, 2016. DCP has responded to all of these Data Requests.
- FERC has issued 55 Notices to Proceed with Construction of specific areas between the dates of October 3, 2014 and March 31, 2016.
- In accordance with FERC's Notices to Proceed, DCP commenced construction of authorized activities in Calvert County, Maryland, at "Offsite Area A" on October 7, at "Offsite Area B" on October 17, at its LNG Terminal on October 29, 2014, and at the Pleasant Valley Compressor Station on December 2, 2015.
- DCP will continue to submit Monthly Activity Reports to the FERC until the completion of construction of the Project.

**b) Date the Project is expected to be operational:**

DCP proposes to construct the Project in order to meet a targeted in-service date of late 2017.

**c) Status of the long-term contracts associated with the long-term export of LNG and any long-term supply contracts:**

- On May 2, 2013, DCP filed an update with the DOE/FE regarding signed LNG Export Contracts. This update informed DOE/FE that DCP had executed terminal service agreements (TSAs) with two customers, each of which will contract for 50 percent of the available capacity. The two customers are (1) Pacific Summit Energy LLC, which is a U.S. subsidiary of Sumitomo Corporation, a Japanese corporation that is one of the world's leading trading companies, and (2) GAIL Global (USA) LNG LLC (GGULL), which is a U.S. subsidiary of GAIL (India) Limited, the largest natural gas processing and distribution company in India.
- On March 13, 2014, Pacific Summit Energy LLC assigned its TSA with DCP to ST Cove Point LLC, a new joint venture formed by affiliates of Sumitomo Corporation and Tokyo Gas. DCP and ST Cove Point LLC have now completed an amended and restated TSA, which contains no substantive changes from the original TSA. DCP will make a related filing concerning the amended and restated contract prior to the end of April.
- On December 30, 2014, GGULL filed with DOE/FE an executed Gas Sale and Purchase Agreement with WGL Midstream, Inc. for the long-term supply of natural gas to be liquefied at the Project. GGULL submitted a non-redacted copy of the Agreement under seal, with a request for confidential treatment, as well as a summary of the major provisions of the Agreement to be made available in the public file.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 804-771-4796.

Respectfully submitted,

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