



Port Arthur LNG

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Office of Oil and Gas
Global Security and Supply
Docket Room FE-34
P.O. Box 44375
Washington, D.C. 20026-4375
Attention: Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities

**Re: Port Arthur LNG, LLC
DOE/FE Order No. 3698
FE Docket No. 15-53-LNG
Semi-Annual Report**

Dear Sir or Madam,

On August 20, 2015, in DOE/FE Order No. 3698, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy, granted to Port Arthur LNG, LLC (“Port Arthur LNG”) a long-term, multi-contract authorization to export liquefied natural gas (“LNG”) to nations that have free trade agreements with the United States requiring national treatment in the trade of natural gas. One of the conditions of that authorization is that Port Arthur LNG file semi-annual written reports (on or before April 1 and October 1 of each year) describing the progress of the planned liquefaction facility from which Port Arthur LNG will export LNG (“Liquefaction Project”). Port Arthur LNG hereby submits the semi-annual report covering the period April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016.

On March 20, 2015, Port Arthur LNG filed a request with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”), in FERC Docket No. PF15-18-000, to initiate the FERC pre-filing review process for the Liquefaction Project. On March 30, 2015, FERC approved that request, thereby formally initiating the pre-filing process. Port Arthur LNG has subsequently submitted draft environmental resource reports to FERC and participated in a public scoping meeting regarding the Liquefaction Project. Concurrently, Port Arthur LNG has engaged in discussions with other federal and state agencies regarding the other permits and authorizations necessary to construct and operate the Liquefaction Project.

In addition, Port Arthur LNG is engaged in engineering and construction design for the Liquefaction Project. Based on the anticipated timing of receipt of necessary authorizations and the project construction schedule, Port Arthur LNG estimates that it will begin commercial operations in 2024.

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Please contact me with any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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