



**Port Arthur LNG**

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U.S. Department of Energy  
Office of Fossil Energy  
Natural Gas Regulatory Activities  
P.O. Box 44375  
Washington, D.C. 20026-4375  
Attention: Ms. Larine Moore, Docket Room FE-34

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

Dear Ms. Moore,

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, 2018 through September 30, 2018.

On November 29, 2016, Port Arthur LNG and PALNG Common Facilities Company, LLC (“PCFC”) filed an application at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) in Docket No. CP17-20-000 for authorization under Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (“Application”). In the Application, Port Arthur LNG and PCFC seek authorization from the FERC to construct and operate the Liquefaction Project. On August 31, 2018, the FERC issued a notice of schedule of environmental review in Docket No. CP17-20-000 *et al.*, which projected that the FERC would issue notice of availability of the final environmental impact statement (“EIS”) on January 31, 2019, based upon an anticipated issuance date for the draft EIS in September 2018. Port Arthur LNG continues to engage 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 has continued to progress permitting, commercial and marketing activities. Based on the anticipated timing of receipt of necessary authorizations

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and the project construction schedule, Port Arthur LNG estimates that it will begin commercial operations in 2023.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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