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

> Re: ECA Liquefaction, S. de R.L. de C.V. (originally issued to Energía Costa Azul, S. de R.L. de C.V.) *ECA Mid-Scale Project* DOE/FE Order Nos. 4317, 4364, 4317-A, 4364-A FE Docket No. 18-144-LNG Semi-Annual Report

Dear Ms. Wood,

On January 25, 2019, in DOE/FE Order No. 4317, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management ("DOE/FE"), granted to Energía Costa Azul, S. de R.L. de C.V. ("Energía Costa Azul") a long-term, multi-contract authorization to export natural gas to Mexico and to re-export liquefied natural gas ("LNG") from its proposed ECA Mid-Scale Project to nations that have free trade agreements with the United States requiring national treatment in the trade of natural gas ("FTA countries"). On March 29, 2019, in DOE/FE Order No. 4364, the DOE/FE granted to Energía Costa Azul a long-term, multicontract authorization to export natural gas to Mexico and to re-export LNG from the ECA Mid-Scale Project to Non-FTA countries. On October 7, 2019, in DOE/FE Order Nos. 4317-A and 4364-A, the DOE/FE approved the transfer of the authorizations granted in DOE/FE Order Nos. 4317 and 4364 from Energía Costa Azul to its affiliate, ECA Liquefaction, S. de R.L. de C.V. ("ECA Liquefaction"). On December 10, 2020, in DOE/FE Order Nos. 4317-B and 4364-B, the DOE/FE extended natural gas export authorizations to Non-free Trade Agreement Countries through the year 2050. One of the conditions of the DOE/FE's authorizations, as transferred to ECA Liquefaction, is that ECA Liquefaction file semi-annual written reports (on or before April 1 and October 1 of each year) describing the progress of the planned ECA Mid-Scale Project. ECA Liquefaction hereby submits the semi-annual report covering the period April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

ECA Liquefaction now has in place all necessary federal Mexican authorizations to construct and operate the liquefaction terminal facilities for the ECA Mid-Scale Project.

As a result of the permitting efforts and the executed LNG sale and purchase agreements reported in the previous periods with Total Gas & Power Asia Private Limited and Mitsui & Co., Ltd., which have been filed with the DOE/FE, ECA Liquefaction took a final investment (FID) decision in November 2020.

The ECA Mid-Scale Project, in collaboration with the EPC contractor, has completed the initial mobilization to the project site. ECA continues to progress in the execution of earthworks and the foundation work for the temporary facilities. ECA engineering and procurement teams continue to progress on deliverables and the compliance team continues to manage all regulatory obligations.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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