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<u>VIA EMAIL (fergas@hq.doe.gov; Amy.Sweeney@hq.doe.gov</u>) – Hard copies filed by mail same day.

Mrs. Amy Sweeney
U.S. Department of Energy Office of Fossil Energy, Natural Gas Regulation
FE-34 - ROOM 3E-056
Forrestal Building
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Mrs. Sweeny:

Enclosed please find SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC's ("SeaOne") application for authority to export natural gas contained in or mixed with Compressed Gas Liquid ("CGL" to certain Free Trade Agreement ("FTA") countries in or adjoining the Caribbean Basin and Gulf of Mexico. SeaOne is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of SeaOne Holdings, LLC ("SOH).

SeaOne intends to use the Port of Corpus Christi as the point of export of CGL to markets in the western Caribbean basin, including Mexico. Demand for natural gas contained in CGL in these newly developed markets is expected to exceed volumes currently authorized for export by SeaOne Corpus Christi, LLC., which is also an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of SOH.

SOH has entered into land lease negotiations with the Port of Corpus Christi Authority, as well as with private landowners within the Port, regarding SeaOne's use of a location within the Port. Conclusion of these negotiations will be contingent on completion of the Department of Energy ("DOE") FTA authorization process, and will be finalized upon issuance of an order approving this application.

Consistent with the positions taken and the process used by SeaOne in DOE/FE Docket Nos. 14-83-CGL and 19-147-CGL, we do not believe that CGL is "natural gas" within the meaning of Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act. We understand, however, that it is DOE's position that, to the extent that CGL contains significant quantities of methane intended for use as such upon delivery

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and fractionation from the CGL solution, Section 3 is applicable. Thus, out of an abundance of caution, we are filing this application to cover such methane included in CGL exports.

Accordingly, through the attached application, we apply for authority to export methane added to and contained in or mixed with CGL.

We are filing this application pursuant to this understanding in order to permit SeaOne to enter into agreements to export to FTA countries and to authorize exports of formulations containing methane. SeaOne's Texas facility will not be an LNG Terminal nor is it a facility or unit necessary for the interstate transportation of natural gas or any associated product. SeaOne expects to access either existing or newly-built intra-state pipelines, in either case owned and operated by third parties.

Section 3(c) of the NGA, as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-146), requires that applications to authorize the export of natural gas to nations with which there is in effect a FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas be deemed consistent with the public interests and granted without modification or delay. In light of its statutory obligation to grant such applications without delay or modification, the license grant is non-discretionary and no Environmental Review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is required or authorized.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, 15 U.S.C. § 717b, and Part 590 of the regulations of the Department of Energy, 10 C.F.R Part 590 (2011), SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC hereby files an original and three (3) copies of its Application for Authorization to Export methane added to, contained in or mixed with Compressed Gas Liquid to Certain Free Trade Agreement Countries. A receipt for payment of the \$50 filing fee, as stipulated by 10 C.F.R § 590.207 (2011), is enclosed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact the undersigned at (303) 894-6183.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Sharp

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Counsel for SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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)	Docket No. 22-62-CGL
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APPLICATION OF SEAONE CORPUS CHRISTI II, LLC FOR LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION TO EXPORT NATURAL GAS CONTAINED IN OR MIXED WITH COMPRESSED GAS LIQUID

Pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act ("NGA"), 15 U.S.C. Section 717b, and Part 590 of the Department of Energy's ("DOE") regulations, 10 C.F.R. Part 590 (2011), SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC ("SeaOne") hereby submits this application to the Office of Fossil Energy ("FE") for long-term, multi-contract authorization to export natural gas contained in or mixed with Compressed Gas Liquid ("CGL") by ocean going vessel to nations located in or adjoining the Caribbean Basin and the Gulf of Mexico with which the United States has, or may enter into, Free Trade Agreements ("FTA") requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (the "FTA Countries"). In support of this application, SeaOne respectfully offers the following:

I. COMMUNICATIONS

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Telephone: (303) 894-6183 Facsimile: (303) 894-9239 Email: john.sharp@squirepb.com Pursuant to Section 590.103(b) of the DOE regulations, SeaOne hereby certifies that the persons listed above and the undersigned are the duly authorized representatives of SeaOne.

II. DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT AND CGL

The exact legal name of the applicant is SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC. SeaOne is a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware with its principal place of business located at 333 Clay Street, Suite 4700, Houston, Texas 77002. SeaOne is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of SeaOne Holdings, LLC ("SOH"). SOH is a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware with its principal place of business located at 333 Clay Street, Suite 4700, Houston, Texas 77002.

CGL is a compressed liquid product consisting of a custom manufactured mixture of hydrocarbon chemicals produced from oil and gas wells. While CGL solvated products are typically composed primarily of Natural Gas Liquids and have a much higher BTU content than the fuels we classify as "natural gas," the CGL products may contain various levels of methane and the process may be utilized as a means of transporting methane and methane/ngl mixtures. The CGL products may be used as fuels in generator burners configured to burn propane LPG or other high-Btu fuels that have traditionally not been subject to export controls. CGL may also provide feedstocks for the production of petrochemicals, fertilizers, vehicle or marine vessel fuels or a broad range of other products. This application is filed to cover the export of natural gas (methane serving as a proxy for "natural gas") contained in or mixed with CGL.

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¹ SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC requests waiver of Section 590.202(a) of DOE's regulations, 10 C.F.R. § 590.202(a), to the extent necessary to include outside counsel on the official service list in this proceeding.

III. AUTHORIZATION REQUESTED

By the instant application, SeaOne requests long-term, multi-contract authorization to engage in exports of up to 548 Bcf/yr (1.5 Bcf/d) of natural gas contained in or mixed with CGL from the Port of Corpus Christi by ocean going vessel to any nation located in or adjoining the Caribbean Basin and the Gulf of Mexico with which the United States currently has, or may enter into, a Free Trade Agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, effective for a thirty (30) year term beginning on the date of the first export under the authorization. Prior to any export of CGL, SeaOne will file the long-term export contracts for such products that are the subject of the authorization requested herein following execution of such agreements, which has yet to occur.²

SeaOne initially intends to export CGL from its proposed Texas Compressed Gas Liquid Production and Export Facility (the "Texas Facility") that is anticipated to be located in the existing Port of Corpus Christi, Texas. SeaOne is expected to develop, site, own, and operate the Texas Facility and has entered into land lease negotiations with the Port of Corpus Christi, as well as private landowners within the Port. Negotiations will be finalized upon approval of this application. This requested authorization applies to CGL that may be exported from the Texas Facility.

SeaOne requests this authorization both on its own behalf and as agent for other parties who hold title to the commodities contained in CGL at the time of export.

SeaOne's negotiations with prospective customers are of a continuing nature.

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² The terms of the individual contracts, including, but not limited to, commencement and termination dates, pricing, volumes and export destinations, will vary and be determined by market conditions.

Therefore, SeaOne requests that export authority be granted on a long-term basis at all points of import to the FTA Countries located in or adjoining the Caribbean Basin and the Gulf of Mexico in order to provide SeaOne with the flexibility necessary to respond quickly to these marketing opportunities. As indicated in the cover letter accompanying this application and as discussed below, SeaOne Corpus Christi II's initial deliveries of CGL are expected to be to markets in the western Caribbean basin, including Mexico, a country with which the United States has a free trade agreement. Because CGL is manufactured to customer specifications, SeaOne cannot be competitive if it must apply for export authorization for each transaction. The subject application is similar to other long-term export arrangements approved by DOE/FE.

IV. PUBLIC INTEREST

Section 3(c) of the NGA, as amended by the Energy Policy Act of 1992,3 provides that the importation and exportation of natural gas from or to a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement shall be deemed to be within the public interest and that applications for such importation and exportation shall be granted without modification or delay. Because SeaOne's application is for authorization to export CGL to FTA countries located in or adjoining the Caribbean Basin and the Gulf of Mexico, SeaOne submits that its application is within the public interest.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

In January 2004, the Port of Corpus Christi Authority developed and implemented an extensive and effective continuing environmental review process, the Environmental

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³ Pub. L. 102-486.

Management System, which addresses the impacts and effects of facilities located within its boundaries. No Federal environmental review is required because the action herein requested is non-discretionary and must be forthcoming without modification or delay. Thus, there will not be a federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. § 4321, et seq.

VI. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

With respect to all exports made pursuant to the authorization requested herein, SeaOne will file with the DOE/FE in the month following the close of each calendar month, reports indicating by month the quantity of natural gas contained in or mixed with CGL. For purposes of reporting the volume of exports of natural gas contained in or mixed with CGL, SeaOne shall report, as a proxy for natural gas, the quantity of methane contained in or mixed with CGL in thousand standard cubic feet (Mcf). In accordance with Section 590.202(b) of DOE's regulations, SeaOne will supply transaction specific factual information "to the extent practicable."

VII. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons SeaOne respectfully requests that the DOE/FE expeditiously consider the instant application and, pursuant to Section 3 of the NGA and Part 590 of the DOE's regulations, grant its request for long-term export authorization. SeaOne submits that a grant of such authorization is consistent with the public interest. Given the length of prior discussions with the DOE and FERC regarding CGL Production and Export Facilities, SeaOne specifically requests DOE/FE's expeditious action on this application in

order to assure that SeaOne is able to take advantage of business opportunities that SeaOne expects to materialize in the immediate future.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Sharp

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Counsel to SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC

Dated June 23, 2022.

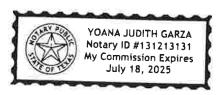
Appendix A

Verification

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COUNTY OF HARRIS)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Brian C. Brantley, who, having been by me first duly sworn, on oath says that he is Executive Vice President of SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC; that he is familiar with the contents of the foregoing Application; and that the matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, this 22 th day of June 2022.



Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

My commission expires: 7-18 2075

Appendix B

Opinion of Counsel

June 23, 2022

Office of Fuels Program
Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy
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Washington, D.C. 20585

Re: SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC, Application for Long-term Authorization to Export Natural Gas Contained in or Mixed with Compressed Gas Liquid to Colombia and other FTA countries located in or adjoining the

Caribbean Basin and the Gulf of Mexico

Dear Sir:

This opinion of counsel is provided in accordance with the requirements of

Section 590.202(c) of the U.S. Department of Energy's regulations, 10 C.F.R. § 590.202(c). I have examined the Certificate of Formation of SeaOne Corpus Christi II, LLC and other authorities as necessary, and have concluded that the proposed exportation of compressed gas liquid by SeaOne is within its corporate powers. Further, SeaOne is authorized to do business in Texas and other U.S. states and to engage in foreign commerce.

Respectfully submitted,

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