November 11, 2023

The Honorable Jennifer Granholm Secretary of Energy U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Ave. SW Washington DC 20585 Dear Secretary Granholm,

I write you today from Alaska, a state where it is easy to see the effects of climate change by watching the nearby glaciers. I live next to Glacier Bay National Park and over the last 30 years I have seen dramatic melting and retreating of the tidewater glaciers – all of them.

As this hottest year in human history winds towards its close, I'm writing to ask for your help. The plans for building additional plants to export Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from the Gulf of Mexico must be cancelled. If they are built, the emissions associated with them will be as large as all the emissions from every home, factory, and car in the EU, effectively wiping out every bit of progress the U.S. has made on reducing carbon and methane since 2005. In addition, we're already the biggest gas exporter on earth, and have more than enough capacity to meet the needs of the Europeans in the wake of the Ukrainian war. When we export all this gas, we drive up the price for those Americans who still rely on it for cooking and heating. It's an environmental justice travesty—as usual, these projects are set for poor communities of color. And they're planned for the worst hurricane belt in the hemisphere.

For all these reasons, I ask you to please cancel the Calcasieu Pass 2 project. Thank you for doing your part to protect Planet Earth - now and into the future.

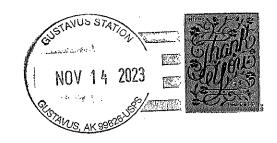
Sincerely,

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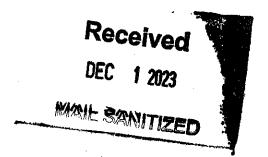
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