

"Transforming the lives of children with Autism, delays and disorders by providing therapy and family support"

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Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FE-34)
U.S. Department of Energy
Forrestal Building
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20585
Attn: Ms. Amy Sweeney

Re: Magnolia LNG

Dear Ms. Sweeney:

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By Docket Room at 11:15 am, Jan 25, 2024

I write on behalf of St. Nicholas Center for Children to respectfully urge the Department of Energy's Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (DOE FECM) to promptly review and approve Magnolia LNG, LLC's (Magnolia LNG) new application to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) to nations with which the United States does not have a free trade agreement.

I represent hundreds of families with children facing the challenges of Autism, developmental delays and neurological disorders in SWLA, and we strongly support Magnolia LNG because it will generate local jobs, regional economic development, and global energy security, all while using an innovative liquefaction technology that significantly lowers greenhouse gas emissions when compared to conventional LNG processes. Magnolia LNG and its innovative liquefaction technology is central to the role the project's owner, Glenfarne Energy Transition (Glenfarne), is building as a preeminent leader in the global energy transition, with an energy infrastructure platform that includes solar, hydro, wind, grid stability, and low-emissions LNG.

Magnolia LNG, with its proprietary emissions-reducing technology, is integral to Glenfarne's all-of-the-above approach to solving the world's challenge of needing energy that is affordable, secure, and sustainable. The project will adhere to the highest standards of community engagement and environmental justice already being exhibited by Glenfarne in projects throughout the world. Like other Glenfarne projects, Magnolia LNG understands that fairly and equitably serving its workforce and proactively earning stakeholder buy-in from the surrounding community will lead to a stronger project, increased transparency, more effective operations, and a heightened level of trust. I join local governments, regulators, project partners and Louisianans from communities surrounding Magnolia LNG in their support of this multibillion-dollar project.

Magnolia LNG is strategically located near Lake Charles in Southwest Louisiana on a 115-acre site and is permitted to produce 8.8 million tonnes per annum of LNG. Magnolia LNG plans to liquefy and store LNG onsite for export, as well as for domestic use to power ships, barges, and other vessels, and to power trucks in Louisiana and surrounding states.

Glenfarne needs regulatory certainty that Magnolia LNG can be built, that its LNG product can be exported, and that all of the promise it holds for Southwest Louisiana -- and indeed for the rest of the United States and our friends and allies overseas -- can be achieved in the near future and as part of Glenfarne's energy transition platform. DOE FECM should provide that certainty by expeditiously authorizing Magnolia LNG's application to export LNG to nations with which the United States does not have a free trade agreement.

Sincerely, Christy P. Jones, M.Ed., Ed.S. Founder & Executive Director