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**Re: In the Matter of NFE Altamira FLNG, S. de R.L. de C.V.
Docket No. 22-110-LNG
DOE/FECM Order No. 4960
Semi-Annual Report: April 2024**

To Whom It May Concern:

On March 3, 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management ("DOE/FECM") issued NFE Altamira FLNG, S. de R.L. de C.V. ("NFE Altamira") an Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Natural Gas to Mexico and to Other Free Trade Agreement Nations ("Order No. 4960"). Order No. 4960 authorized NFE Altamira to export U.S.-sourced natural gas by pipeline from the United States to Mexico and, after liquefaction in Mexico, to re-export the U.S.-sourced natural gas in the form of liquefied natural gas ("LNG") by vessel from a floating liquefaction and export terminal proposed by NFE Altamira's affiliate, Mexico FLNG S. de R.L. de C.V., off the coast of Altamira Tamaulipas, Mexico ("Project"). Condition J of Order No. 4960 requires that NFE Altamira file semi-annual reports (on or before April 1 and October 1 of each year) on the status of the Project. NFE Altamira hereby submits this semi-annual report covering the period October 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

(i) Status of Permits Required Under Mexican State and Federal Laws for the Siting, Construction and Operation of the Project and for Re-export of LNG

The Project has obtained all required material regulatory permits for the construction, installation and operation of the Project and for the export of natural gas from FLNG 1, the first stage of the Project to be commissioned and placed in-service. Since the submission of the last semi-annual report dated October 1, 2023, the Project has received a number of additional material permits, including (i) on October 10, 2023, authorization to transport natural gas on the interconnecting pipeline from Agencia Nacional de Seguridad Industrial y de Protección al Medio Ambiente del Sector Hidrocarburos ("ASEA"), the National Agency of Industrial Safety and Environmental Protection for the Hydrocarbon Industry, which is the agency with sole responsibility for industrial



safety in the hydrocarbons sector, (ii) on October 31, 2023, authorization from ASEA to perform liquefaction activities at the Project, and (iii) on November 30, 2023, final authorizations from the Secretaría de Marina, the Naval Secretariat, for operations and activities to commence on all of the rigs and the adjacent FSU.

(ii) The Date the Project is Expected to be Operational

The Project commenced commissioning activities in January 2024 and is anticipated to be operational in April 2024.

(iii) The Status of Any Associated Long-term Supply and Re-export Contracts

Pursuant to Condition D of Order No. 4960, on April 17, 2023, NFE Altamira filed with DOE/FECM a non-redacted copy of a Long-Term LNG Sale and Delivery Agreement under seal, and a public summary of the major provisions, and a non-redacted copy of a Long-Term Firm Natural Gas Supply Contract under seal, and a public summary of the major provisions.

(iv) Additional Information

Since the date of the last semi-annual update, the three rigs have been linked together, final construction punch-list items have been completed, and commissioning activities have been undertaken. It is anticipated that the Project will produce first LNG during the month of April 2024 and its first full cargo of LNG shortly thereafter.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (212) 506-3710.

Respectfully submitted,

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