

# POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

Retention and disposition of these records is in accordance with the National Archives and Records Administration-approved records disposition schedule with a retention of 6 years.

# ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Electronic records may be secured and maintained on a cloud-based software server and operating system that resides in Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) and Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA) hosting environment. Data located in the cloud-based server is firewalled and encrypted at rest and in transit. The security mechanisms for handling data at rest and in transit are in accordance with DOE encryption standards. Records are protected from unauthorized access through the following appropriate safeguards:

- Administrative: Access to all records is limited to lawful government purposes only, with access to electronic records based on role and either two-factor authentication or password protection. The system requires passwords to be complex and to be changed frequently. Users accessing system records undergo frequent training in Privacy Act and information security requirements. Security and privacy controls are reviewed on an ongoing basis.
- Technical: Computerized records systems are safeguarded on Departmental networks configured for role-based access based on job responsibilities and organizational affiliation. Privacy and security controls are in place for this system and are updated in accordance with applicable requirements as determined by NIST and DOE directives and guidance.
- Physical: Computer servers on which electronic records are stored are located in secured Department facilities, which are protected by security guards, identification badges, and cameras.
   Paper copies of all records are locked in file cabinets, file rooms, or offices and are under the control of authorized personnel. Access to these facilities is granted only to authorized personnel and each person granted access to the system must be an individual authorized to use or administer the system.

## RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

The Department follows the procedures outlined in title 10 CFR 1008.4. Valid identification of the

individual making the request is required before information will be processed, given, access granted, or a correction considered, to ensure that information is given, corrected, or records disclosed or corrected only at the request of the proper person.

#### **CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:**

Any individual may submit a request to the System Manager and request a copy of any records relating to them. In accordance with 10 CFR 1008.11, any individual may appeal the denial of a request made by him or her for information about or for access to or correction or amendment of records. An appeal shall be filed within 90 calendar days after receipt of the denial. When an appeal is filed by mail, the postmark is conclusive as to timeliness. The appeal shall be in writing and must be signed by the individual. The words "PRIVACY ACT APPEAL" should appear in capital letters on the envelope and the letter. Appeals relating to DOE records shall be directed to the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA), 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

### **NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:**

In accordance with the DOE regulation implementing the Privacy Act, 10 CFR part 1008, a request by an individual to determine if a system of records contains information about themselves should be directed to the U.S. Department of Energy, Headquarters, Privacy Act Officer. The request should include the requester's complete name and the time period for which records are sought.

## EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

#### HISTORY:

This SORN was last published in the **Federal Register**, 74 FR 1028–1029, on January 9, 2009.

### **Signing Authority**

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on November 18, 2024, by Ann Dunkin, Senior Agency Official for Privacy, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters

the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on November 18, 2024.

#### Treena V. Garrett,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

[Docket No. 15-190-LNG]

# Change in Control: Rio Grande LNG, LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of change in control.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of receipt of a Statement and Notice of Change in Control (Notice) filed by Rio Grande LNG, LLC (Rio Grande LNG) on October 31, 2024. The Notice describes a change in Rio Grande LNG's upstream ownership. The Notice was filed under the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

**DATES:** Protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention, as applicable, and written comments are to be filed as detailed in the Public Comment Procedures section no later than 4:30 p.m., eastern time, December 9, 2024.

## ADDRESSES:

Electronic Filing by email (Strongly encouraged): fergas@hq.doe.gov.

Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Private Delivery Services (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.): U.S. Department of Energy (FE– 34), Office of Regulation, Analysis and Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management, Forrestal Building, Room 3E–056, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

Due to potential delays in DOE's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, we encourage respondents to submit filings electronically to ensure timely receipt.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Summary of Change in Control**

Rio Grande LNG states that, by means of a transaction (Transaction) that closed on October 1, 2024, its upstream ownership structure has changed. According to Rio Grande LNG, BlackRock, Inc. (BlackRock), a publicly traded investment management firm domiciled in the United States, acquired 100% of the limited liability company interests in Global Infrastructure Management, LLC (GIM), a global independent infrastructure fund manager headquartered in New York. GIM indirectly owns GIP V Velocity Acquisition Partners, L.P. (GIP V Velocity), an indirect upstream owner of a minimum of 46.12% economic interest in Rio Grande LNG Intermediate Holdings, LLC (RGIH), which, in turn, indirectly owns 100% of Rio Grande LNG. Accordingly, as a result of the Transaction, BlackRock now indirectly owns a minimum of 46.12% economic interest in RGIH. In sum, Rio Grande LNG states that only the ownership of GIM is being modified as a result of the Transaction, and there are no modifications to RGIH's ownership of Rio Grande LNG.

Additional details can be found in the Notice, posted on the DOE website at: https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2024-11/Rio%20Grande%20DOE%20CIC%20Filing.pdf.

## **DOE** Evaluation

DOE will review the Notice in accordance with its Procedures for Changes in Control Affecting Applications and Authorizations to Import or Export Natural Gas (CIC Procedures). $\bar{1}$  Consistent with the CIC Procedures, this notice addresses Rio Grande LNG's existing authorization to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) to countries with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas and with which trade is not prohibited by United States law or policy (non-FTA countries), granted in DOE/FE Order No. 4492, as amended.<sup>2</sup> If no interested

person protests the change in control and DOE takes no action on its own motion, the proposed change in control will be deemed granted 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. If one or more protests are submitted, DOE will review any motions to intervene, protests, and answers, and will issue a determination as to whether the proposed change in control has been demonstrated to render the underlying authorizations inconsistent with the public interest.

## **Public Comment Procedures**

Interested persons will be provided 15 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** to move to intervene, protest, and answer Rio Grande LNG's Notice.<sup>3</sup> Protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and written comments are invited in response to this notice only as to the change in control described in the Notice. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by DOE's regulations in 10 CFR part 590, including the service requirements.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods:

- (1) Submitting the filing electronically at fergas@hq.doe.gov;
- (2) Mailing the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section; or
- (3) Hand delivering the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section.

For administrative efficiency, DOE prefers filings to be filed electronically. All filings must include a reference to "Docket No. 15–190–LNG" in the title line, or "Rio Grande LNG, LLC Change in Control" in the title line.

For electronic submissions: Please include all related documents and attachments (e.g., exhibits) in the original email correspondence. Please do not include any active hyperlinks or password protection in any of the documents or attachments related to the filing. All electronic filings submitted to DOE must follow these guidelines to ensure that all documents are filed in a timely manner.

The Notice, and any filed protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and comments will be available electronically on the DOE website at <a href="https://www.energy.gov/fecm/regulation">www.energy.gov/fecm/regulation</a>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on November 19, 2024.

### Amy R. Sweeney,

Director, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Resource Sustainability.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 175-032]

## Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.
  - b. Project No.: 175-132.
  - c. Date filed: April 18, 2024.
- d. *Applicant:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Balch Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: The existing project is located Fresno County, California, is in the Sierra Nevada, approximately 45 miles northeast of the City of Fresno and on the North Fork Kings River. The North Fork Kings River drains into the Kings River, which then drains into the San Joaquin River. PG&E's proposed FERC Project Boundary includes 694.67 acres of lands, of which 491.50 acres are United States (U.S.) lands, all of which are National Forest System.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.
- h. Applicant Contact: Dave Gabbard, Vice President Power Generation, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 300 Lakeside Drive, Oakland, CA 94612; telephone at (650) 207–9705; email at David.gabbard@pge.com.
- i. FERC Contact: Benjamin Mann Project Coordinator, West Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing; telephone at (202) 502–8127; email at benjamin.mann@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERC.aspx.
Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 79 FR 65541 (Nov. 5, 2014).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Rio Grande LNG's Notice also applies to its existing authorization to export LNG to FTA countries in the same docket. DOE will respond to that portion of the filing separately pursuant to the CIC Procedures, 79 FR 65542.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Intervention, if granted, would constitute intervention only in the change in control portion of these proceedings, as described herein.