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SUBJECT: Macquarie Energy LLC Export Authorization Application GDO Docket No. EA-479-A

Dear Mr. Slocum,

On October 18, 2024, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a notice in the *Federal Register* (89 Fed. Reg. 83867) announcing receipt of an application from Macquarie Energy LLC (Macquarie Energy or Applicant) requesting a renewal of its export authorization to transmit electric energy at the international border between the United States and Canada. The notice directed that any protests to the Application should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. 385.211) and any person desiring to become a party to the proceeding should file a motion in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 C.F.R. 385.214).

This letter is a response to Public Citizen Inc.'s timely request to intervene, received on November 18, 2024, in GDO Docket Number EA-479-A pursuant to 18 C.F.R. 385.214. On November 27, 2024, DOE received Macquarie Energy's Motion for Leave to Answer and Answer to Protest of Public Citizen (Macquarie Energy's Answer). On December 2, 2024, DOE received Public Citizen's Motion to Answer and Answer. Macquarie Energy's Answer requests that DOE deny Public Citizen's protest and issue its requested export authorization but does not assert any arguments against Public Citizen participating in this proceeding as an intervenor. *See* Macquarie Energy's Answer at 1, 4. DOE has accepted Public Citizen's request to intervene and is granting Public Citizen's request to become party to this proceeding.

In lieu of requiring the persons making a filing to individually serve a copy of the filing on each of the parties in this process, DOE will make every document filed and every notice or other document issued by DOE available to the parties and other interested persons by positing the material on a public website specifically dedicated to this project. Such documents will also include all material submitted by interested persons during the environmental review process discussed below. The website may be accessed by visiting <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/ea-479-macquarie-energy-llc> or by browsing pending applications at <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/export-authorizations>.



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Any party to this proceeding who needs alternate accommodations may contact DOE as indicated below. DOE will make every effort to accommodate reasonable requests by providing alternate arrangements to give access to the information filed in the official docket.

DOE will consider and later address the merits of the issues raised in Public Citizen's protest in its final decision and order. As stated in the notice of application, a final decision will be made on the requested authorization after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE evaluates whether the proposed action will have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the United States electric power supply system.

Should you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Ashleigh Angel via email at electricity.exports@hq.doe.gov.

Sincerely,

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