

³Includes 11 takes by Level A harassment and 191 takes by Level B harassment. Scalar ratio is applied to takes by Level B harassment only; small numbers determination made on basis of scaled Level B harassment take plus authorized Level A harassment take.

⁴The "blackfish" guild includes melon-headed whales, false killer whales, pygmy killer whales, and killer whales.

Based on the analysis contained herein of Viridien's proposed survey activity described in its LOA application and the anticipated take of marine mammals, NMFS finds that small numbers of marine mammals will be taken relative to the affected species or stock sizes (*i.e.*, less than one-third of the best available abundance estimate) and therefore the taking is of no more than small numbers.

Authorization

NMFS has determined that the level of taking for this LOA request is consistent with the findings made for the total taking allowable under the incidental take regulations and that the amount of take authorized under the LOA is of no more than small numbers. Accordingly, we have issued an LOA to Viridien authorizing the take of marine mammals incidental to its geophysical survey activity, as described above.

Dated: February 11, 2025.

Kimberly Damon-Randall,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. 25-19-LNG]

Southern LNG Company, L.L.C.; Application for Blanket Authorization To Export Previously Imported Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Countries on a Short-Term Basis

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

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice (Notice) of receipt of an application (Application), filed on January 23, 2025, by Southern LNG Company, L.L.C. (Southern LNG). Southern LNG requests blanket authorization to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) previously imported into the United States by vessel from foreign sources in a volume equivalent to 182.5 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas on a cumulative basis over a two-year period. Southern LNG filed the Application under the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

DATES: Protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention, as applicable, requests for additional procedures, and written comments are to be filed as detailed in the Public Comment Procedures section no later than 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, March 20, 2025.

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:

Jennifer Wade or Peri Ulrey, U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Resource Sustainability, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4749 or (202) 586-7893, jennifer.wade@hq.doe.gov or peri.ulrey@hq.doe.gov.

Cassandra Bernstein, U.S. Department of Energy (GC-76), Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Energy Delivery and Resilience, Forrestal Building, Room 6D-033, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (240) 780-1691, cassandra.bernstein@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Southern LNG requests a short-term blanket authorization to export LNG that has been previously imported into the United States from foreign sources for a two-year period commencing on April 1, 2025. Southern LNG seeks to export the LNG from its existing LNG import terminal known as the Elba Island Terminal (or SLNG Terminal), located in Chatham County, Georgia, to any country with the capacity to import LNG via ocean-going carrier and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy. This includes both countries with which the United States has entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (FTA countries) and all other countries (non-FTA countries). This Notice applies only to the portion of the Application requesting authority

to export the LNG to non-FTA countries pursuant to section 3(a) of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. 717b(a). Southern LNG states that its existing blanket re-export authorization, set forth in DOE/FECM Order No. 4982 (Docket No. 22-166-LNG), is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2025, and therefore Southern LNG requests the term of the new authorization to commence on April 1, 2025. Southern LNG is not seeking authorization to export domestically produced natural gas or LNG.

Southern LNG requests this authorization on its own behalf and as agent for other parties that hold title to the LNG at the point of export. Additional details can be found in Southern LNG's Application, posted on the DOE website at: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2025-01/SLNG%20Application%20to%20Export%20Previously%20Imported%20LNG.pdf>.

DOE Evaluation

In reviewing Southern LNG's Application, DOE will consider any issues required by law or policy. DOE will consider domestic need for the natural gas, as well as any other issues determined to be appropriate, including whether the arrangement is consistent with DOE's policy of promoting competition in the marketplace by allowing commercial parties to freely negotiate their own trade arrangements. Parties that may oppose this application should comment in their responses on these issues.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, requires DOE to give appropriate consideration to the environmental effects of its proposed decisions. No final decision will be issued in this proceeding until DOE has met its NEPA responsibilities.

Public Comment Procedures

In response to this Notice, any person may file a protest, comments, or a motion to intervene or notice of intervention, as applicable. Interested parties will be provided 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice in which to submit comments, protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention.

Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene or notice of intervention. The filing of comments or a protest with respect to the Application will not serve to make the commenter or protestant a

party to this proceeding, although protests and comments received from persons who are not parties will be considered in determining the appropriate action to be taken on the Application. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by the 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. 25–19–LNG” or “Southern LNG Company, L.L.C. Application” 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 Application and any filed protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and comments will be available electronically on the DOE website at www.energy.gov/fecm/regulation.

A decisional record on the Application will be developed through responses to this Notice by parties, including the parties’ written comments and replies thereto. Additional procedures will be used as necessary to achieve a complete understanding of the facts and issues. If an additional procedure is scheduled, notice will be provided to all parties. If no party requests additional procedures, a final Order may be issued based on the official record, including the Application and responses filed by parties pursuant to this Notice, in accordance with 10 CFR 590.316.

Signed in Washington, DC, on February 11, 2025.

Amy Sweeney,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP25–557–000.

Applicants: Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.

Description: 4(d) Rate Filing:

Negotiated Rate PALs and Administrative Update to be effective 2/12/2025.

Filed Date: 2/11/25.

Accession Number: 20250211–5120.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/24/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–558–000.

Applicants: Alliance Pipeline L.P.

Description: 4(d) Rate Filing: PAL

Negotiated Rate Agreements 2025–02–12 to be effective 2/12/2025.

Filed Date: 2/11/25.

Accession Number: 20250211–5143.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/24/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–559–000.

Applicants: Spire Storage West LLC.

Description: Compliance filing:

NAESB Compliance filing 2–11–2025 to be effective 8/1/2025.

Filed Date: 2/11/25.

Accession Number: 20250211–5167.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/24/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–560–000.

Applicants: El Paso Natural Gas

Company, L.L.C.

Description: 4(d) Rate Filing:

Negotiated Rate Agreement Update (Mex Gas Feb 2025) to be effective 2/11/2025.

Filed Date: 2/11/25.

Accession Number: 20250211–5202.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/24/25.

Any person desiring to intervene, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission’s Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: PR25–21–001.

Applicants: Rocky Mountain Natural Gas LLC.

Description: 284.123 Rate Filing: RMNG Amended SOC PR25–21 to be effective 11/1/2024.

Filed Date: 2/11/25.

Accession Number: 20250211–5129.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/25/25.

Any person desiring to protest in any the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission’s Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

The filings are accessible in the Commission’s eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercensearch.asp>) by querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

The Commission’s Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, community organizations, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502–6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Dated: February 12, 2025.

Carlos D. Clay,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP25–556–000.

Applicants: Gulf Run Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Housekeeping Filing—2–11–2025 to be effective 3/13/2025.

Filed Date: 2/11/25.

Accession Number: 20250211–5028.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/24/25.