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General Comment

I strongly oppose the proposed extension of the deadline for Mexico Pacific Limited LLC's LNG export authorization. The applicant has not made a Final Investment Decision (FID) and has shown limited progress over several years. Granting a seven-year extension would reward delay and uncertainty instead of responsible project development.

More urgently, the project poses serious threats to the Gulf of California, a biologically rich marine ecosystem that supports thousands of species, many of which are endangered. The proposed marine terminal and associated shipping traffic would increase noise, pollution, and risk of accidents in a vulnerable ocean region.

These threats run counter to global commitments to ocean protection, including the 2023 High Seas Treaty, which aims to protect ocean biodiversity in international waters. Although the Gulf is not high seas, its biodiversity is part of the same global ocean system that world leaders now agree must be urgently protected for climate, food security, and ecological balance.

Furthermore, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) recently affirmed the right to a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment as part of international law. This LNG export terminal threatens that right—both locally and globally—by expanding fossil fuel infrastructure and degrading marine ecosystems.

Mexico Pacific has had ample time to move this project forward. The fact that it still lacks a final investment decision, full financing, and key environmental approvals shows it is not ready. DOE should not grant a long-term extension without clear progress or updated environmental review.

I urge DOE to deny the extension or limit it to no more than 12–18 months, with strict conditions tied to environmental compliance and FID.

Sincerely,