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**Re: In the Matter of Rio Grande LNG, LLC, Rio Grande LNG
Train 4, LLC, and Rio Grande LNG Train 5, LLC,
FE Docket No. 15-190-LNG
DOE/FECM Order Nos. 3869, 3869-A, 4492, 4492-A and 4492-B
Semi-Annual Report - April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025**

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To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph J of DOE/FECM¹ Order No. 3869, as amended and Ordering Paragraph M of DOE/FECM Order No. 4492, as amended² Rio Grande LNG, LLC (“Rio Grande”), Rio Grande LNG Train 4, LLC (“RGLNG 4”), and Rio Grande LNG Train 5, LLC (“RGLNG 5” and collectively with Rio Grande and RGLNG 4, the “Rio Grande Entities”) hereby submit this semi-annual report for the Rio Grande LNG Project (the “Project”). This report covers the period from April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025.

- During the reporting period, Rio Grande continued to carry out construction activities site wide, including site civil activities such as production piling, concrete foundation work, structural steel erection, liquefied natural gas (“LNG”) spill trench and impoundment basin installation, aboveground piping installation within Trains 1, 2, and 3, and equipment installation within Trains 1 and 2. Construction of LNG Storage Tanks 1 and 2 continued, including the roof raise on LNG Storage Tank 1. Work progressed with continuous improvement of onsite temporary laydown and roads, work pads, temporary drainage, and arrangement of temporary facilities, utilities, and structures. Construction of the Project perimeter levee and security fence installation continued. Dredging activities in the turning basin occurred during the period.
- First exports of LNG from the Project are currently anticipated to occur in September of 2027.

¹ DOE/FECM was previously known as the Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy or “DOE/FE”. In this regard, DOE/FE and DOE/FECM are used interchangeably herein.

² *Rio Grande LNG, LLC*, Order Granting Long-Term, Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Proposed Rio Grande LNG Terminal in Brownsville, Texas, to Free Trade Agreement Nations, DOE/FE Order No. 3869, FE Docket No. 15-190-LNG, at Ordering Para. (J) (Aug. 17, 2016); *Rio Grande LNG, LLC*, Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, DOE/FE Order No. 4492, FE Docket No. 15-190-LNG, at Ordering Para. (M) (Feb. 10, 2020); *Rio Grande LNG, LLC*, Order Extending Export Term for Authorization to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations Through December 31, 2050, DOE/FE Order No. 4492-A, FE Docket No. 15-190-LNG (Oct. 21, 2020); *Rio Grande LNG, LLC, Rio Grande LNG Train 4, LLC, and Rio Grande LNG Train 5, LLC*, Order Granting Request to Amend Authorizations to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Add Authorization Holders, DOE/FECM Order Nos. 3869-A & 4492-B, FE Docket No. 15-190-LNG (Aug. 20, 2025).



- During the reporting period, NextDecade LNG, LLC (“NextDecade”), an affiliate of the Rio Grande Entities, filed the following long-term agreements with DOE/FECM pursuant to Condition D of Order No. 3869 and Condition I of Order No. 4492:
 - o Sale and Purchase Agreement (“SPA”) between RGLNG 4 and TotalEnergies Gas & Power North America, Inc. dated April 4, 2025;
 - o SPA between RGLNG 5 and JERA Co., Inc. dated April 28, 2025;
 - o SPA between RGLNG 4 and NextDecade LNG Marketing, LLC dated August 7, 2025;
 - o SPA between RGLNG 5 and EQT LNG Trading LLC dated August 26, 2025;
 - o SPA between RGLNG 5 and NextDecade LNG Marketing, LLC dated August 26, 2025;
 - o SPA between RGLNG 5 and ConocoPhillips Marketing & Trading International LLC dated August 29, 2025; and
 - o Natural gas supply agreement between Rio Grande LNG Gas Marketing LLC, and Vitol Inc. dated May 8, 2025.
- On August 29, 2025, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order on Remand³ reaffirming the Commission’s determination that the Project is not inconsistent with the public interest under Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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³ *Rio Grande LNG, LLC, et al.*, 192 FERC ¶ 61,198 (2025).