

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
HYDROCARBONS AND GEOTHERMAL ENERGY OFFICE

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ANDALUSIAN ENERGY, LLC ) DOCKET NO. 20-73-CNG  
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ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO VACATE LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION  
TO EXPORT COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS  
TO FREE TRADE AGREEMENT NATIONS

DOE/HGEO ORDER NO. 4616-A

FEBRUARY 10, 2026

On November 2, 2020, the Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Fossil Energy (FE) (now the Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office)<sup>1</sup> issued DOE/FE Order No. 4616<sup>2</sup> to Andalusian Energy, LLC (Andalusian) under section 3(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA).<sup>3</sup> Under that order, Andalusian is authorized to export domestically produced compressed natural gas (CNG) in a volume equivalent to 51.14 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year (Bcf/yr) of natural gas for a term of 25 years. Andalusian is authorized to export the CNG, loaded into International Organization for Standardization (ISO) containers and transported by ocean-going carrier from a proposed CNG compression and container loading facility to be located within the Port of Brownsville, Texas, to countries with which the United States currently has, or in the future will have, a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas.<sup>4</sup>

On December 31, 2025, Andalusian submitted a request asking DOE to vacate Order No. 4616 (Request).<sup>5</sup> In support of this Request, Andalusian states that, “[d]ue to changing market conditions, [it] will not be moving forward with the proposed compression and container loading facility.”<sup>6</sup>

DOE finds good cause to grant Andalusian's Request. Accordingly, pursuant to NGA

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<sup>1</sup> The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) changed its name to the Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM) on July 4, 2021. Subsequently, on November 20, 2025, FECM changed its name to the Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office (HGEO). DOE uses the acronym in effect at the time of each order or action discussed herein.

<sup>2</sup> *Andalusian Energy, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 4616, Docket No. 20-73-CNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Compressed Natural Gas to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Nov. 2, 2020).

<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 717b. The authority to regulate the imports and exports of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas, under section 3 of the NGA has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FECM (now the Assistant Secretary for HGEO) in Redelegation Order No. S4- DEL-FE1-2023, issued on April 10, 2023.

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 717b(c). The United States currently has FTAs requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas with Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Oman, Panama, Peru, Republic of Korea, and Singapore. FTAs with Israel and Costa Rica do not require national treatment for trade in natural gas.

<sup>5</sup> See Andalusian Energy, LLC, Request to Vacate Authorization, Docket No. 20-73-CNG (Dec. 31, 2025).

<sup>6</sup> See *id.*

section 3(c), Andalusian's authorization granted in Order No. 4616 is hereby vacated, effective immediately.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on February 10, 2026.

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