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## General Comment

RE: Comment for "Plaquemines Expansion, LLC; Application for Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations" (Docket No. 25-143-LNG)

Dear Secretary Wright,

On behalf of all of our youth clients, including our clients in *Lighthiser v. Trump* and *Genesis v. EPA*, and in the interest of America's children and youth, Our Children's Trust provides these comments on the Department of Energy's Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management's "Plaquemines Expansion, LLC; Application for Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations" notice of application for the proposed Plaquemines Expansion Project that requests long-term, multi-contract authorization to export additional domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) in a volume equivalent to approximately 1,624.25 billion cubic feet of natural gas per year, which is unjustified by law, science, economic prosperity, energy security, or any other reason. In addition to being illegal, this proposed expansion project will worsen the adverse health effects of fossil fuel pollution our clients are currently suffering directly through their inhalation and exposure to the localized pollution and the heat-trapping greenhouse gases from fossil fuels, resulting in further dangerous disruptions of the climate system on which these youths' health and lives depend.

As the Nation's only law firm dedicated to representing children and youth whose constitutional rights are being infringed by government conduct that causes and contributes to climate change, we write to advise you that you are engaged in an unconstitutional decision-making process for a fossil fuel project to implement the President's Executive Orders 14154 and 14156, in violation of U.S. Const. amend. V, XIV, § 1. Your multiplicity of actions pursuant to those Executive Orders, including this effort to support this proposed expansion project, also violate the separation of powers, by exceeding the authority the Department of Energy has been delegated by Congress and by engaging in conduct that has a significant effect on U.S. public health, welfare and the economy, while lacking any scientific integrity as Congress has mandated. The Department of Energy has no statutory authority to deprive children and youth of their fundamental rights to life, personal security, family autonomy, bodily integrity, the practice and transmission of cultural and religious traditions, and children's equal protection of the law. U.S. Const. amend. V, XIV, § 1.

Please see the attached comment.

Sincerely,

/s/

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## Attachments

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