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HYDROCARBONS AND GEOTHERMAL ENERGY OFFICE

CORPUS CHRISTI LIQUEFACTION, LLC; CORPUS CHRISTI LIQUEFACTION STAGE IV, LLC; AND CHENIERE MARKETING, LLC	)))))	DOCKET NO. 26-32-LNG

ORDER GRANTING LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION TO EXPORT LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS TO FREE TRADE AGREEMENT NATIONS

DOE/HGEO ORDER NO. 5454

AUGUST 12, 2026

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On March 19, 2026, Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC; Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC; and Cheniere Marketing, LLC (collectively, CCL Stage IV)—jointly filed an application (Application)[1] with the Department of Energy's (DOE) Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office (HGEO)[2] under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA).[3] CCL Stage IV requests long-term, multi-contract authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) in a volume equivalent to approximately 1,200 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year (Bcf/yr) of natural gas.[4] CCL Stage IV seeks to export this LNG by vessel from the proposed CCL Stage 4 Project, an expansion of the existing Corpus Christi LNG terminal (CCL Terminal), to be located on the La Quinta Ship Channel in San Patricio and Nueces Counties, Texas.[5]

CCL Stage IV requests authorization to export this LNG to any country with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy.[6] 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),[7] and any other country with which trade is not prohibited by U.S.

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[1] Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, *et al.*, Application for Authorizations to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade and Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, Docket No. 26-32-LNG (Mar. 19, 2026) [hereinafter App.].

[2] 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.

[3] 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.

[4] App. at 1.

[5] *Id.*

[6] *See id.* at 1–2.

[7] 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.

law or policy (non-FTA countries).[8] CCL Stage IV requests both the FTA and non-FTA authorization on a non-additive basis for a term of 25 years, to commence on the date the CCL Stage 4 Project begins commercial operation.[9] CCL Stage IV requests the authorization on its own behalf and as agent for other entities that hold title to the LNG at the time of export.[10]

The portion of CCL Stage IV's Application that seeks authorization to export domestically produced LNG to FTA countries is being reviewed pursuant to NGA section 3(c)[11] and approved in this Order. The portion of the Application that seeks authorization to export domestically produced LNG to non-FTA countries will be reviewed pursuant to NGA section 3(a)[12] and addressed in a separate order.[13]

II. BACKGROUND

Applicants. Each of the three entities comprising CCL Stage IV is a Delaware limited liability company with its primary place of business at the same address in Houston, Texas.[14] CCL Stage IV states that the three entities "are registered to do business in the State of Texas, and are wholly owned subsidiaries of Cheniere Energy, Inc. ('Cheniere')."[15] Cheniere, in turn,

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[8] *Id.* § 717b(a).
[9] App. at 8. *See also* U.S. Dep't of Energy, Extending Natural Gas Export Authorizations to Non-Free Trade Agreement Countries Through the Year 2050; Notice of Final Policy Statement and Response to Comments, 85 Fed. Reg. 52,237 (Aug. 25, 2020) [hereinafter 2050 Policy Statement]. Additionally, DOE notes that, effective January 12, 2021, long-term export authorizations contain authority to export the same approved volume of LNG pursuant to transactions with terms of less than two years, including commissioning volumes, on a non-additive basis. *See* U.S. Dep't of Energy, Including Short-Term Export Authority in Long-Term Authorizations for the Export of Natural Gas on a Non-Additive Basis; Policy Statement, 86 Fed. Reg. 2243 (Jan. 12, 2021).
[10] App. at 8.
[11] 15 U.S.C. § 717b(c).
[12] *Id.* § 717b(a).
[13] *See* Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC, and Cheniere Marketing, LLC; Application for Long-Term Authorization To Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, 91 Fed. Reg. 20,157 (Apr. 15, 2026).
[14] App. at 3.
[15] *Id.*

"is a publicly traded energy company . . . [that] develops and operates LNG terminals, including the CCL Terminal, and natural gas pipelines," headquartered in Houston, Texas.[16]

Procedural History. To date, DOE has issued long-term orders authorizing Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC and Cheniere Marketing, LLC (collectively, CMI) to export LNG from the Liquefaction Project (Large-Scale Trains 1-3) in a total volume equivalent to 875.16 Bcf/yr of natural gas to both FTA and non-FTA countries on a non-additive basis. These orders are:

- DOE/FE Order No. 3164, as amended, authorizing the export of 767 Bcf/yr from Large-Scale Trains 1–3 to FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[17]
- DOE/FE Order No. 3638, as amended, authorizing the export of 767 Bcf/yr from Large-Scale Trains 1–3 to non-FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[18]
- DOE/FE Order No. 4519, as amended, authorizing the export of 108.16 Bcf/yr from Large-Scale Trains 1–3 to FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[19]
- DOE/FECM Order No. 4799, authorizing the export of 108.16 Bcf/yr from Large-Scale Trains 1–3 to non-FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[20]

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[16] *Id.*

[17] *Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 3164, Docket No. 12-99-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Proposed Corpus Christi Liquefaction Project to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Oct. 16, 2012), *amended by* DOE/FE Order Nos. 3538 and 3164-A, Docket Nos. 12-97-LNG and 12-99-LNG, Order Amending Application in Docket No. 12- 97-LNG to Add Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC as Applicant, and Granting Request in DOE/FE Order No. 3164, Docket No. 12-99-LNG, to Add Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC as Authorization Holder (Oct. 29, 2014), *further amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 3164-B (Oct. 28, 2020) (extending export term).

[18] *Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 3638, Docket No. 12-97-LNG, Final Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term, Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Proposed Corpus Christi Liquefaction Project to be Located in Corpus Christi, Texas, to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (May 12, 2015), *reh'g denied*, DOE/FE Order No. 3638-A (May 26, 2016), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 3638-B (Oct. 28, 2020) (extending export term).

[19] *Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 4519, Docket No. 19-124-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Apr. 14, 2020), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 4519-A (Oct. 28, 2020) (extending export term).

[20] *Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC*, DOE/FECM Order No. 4799, Docket No. 19-124-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Mar. 16, 2022).

DOE has also issued orders authorizing Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC[21] to export LNG from the Stage 3 Project (Midscale Trains 1-7) to both FTA and non-FTA countries in a volume equivalent to 582.14 Bcf/yr on a non-additive basis as follows:

- DOE/FE Order No. 4277, as amended, authorizing the export of 582.14 Bcf/yr from Midscale Trains 1–7 to FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[22]

- DOE/FE Order No. 4490, as amended, authorizing the export of 582.14 Bcf/yr from Midscale Trains 1–7 to non-FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[23]

Additionally, DOE has issued orders authorizing CMI and CCL Midscale 8-9, LLC to export LNG from the Midscale Trains 8 & 9 Project (Midscale Trains 8-9) to both FTA and non-FTA countries in a volume equivalent to 170 Bcf/yr on a non-additive basis as follows:

- DOE/FECM Order No. 5019, authorizing the export of 170 Bcf/yr from Midscale Trains 8–9 to FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[24]

- DOE/HGEO Order No. 5391, authorizing the export of 170 Bcf/yr from Midscale Trains 8–9 to non-FTA countries through December 31, 2050;[25]

With this Order approving exports from the CCL Stage 4 Project to FTA countries, DOE has authorized exports of domestically produced LNG from the CCL Terminal in a total combined volume equivalent to 2,827.3 Bcf/yr of natural gas to FTA countries and 1,627.3

[21] DOE's orders for the Stage 3 Project were originally held by Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage III, LLC, but were transferred to its successor, Corpus Christ Liquefaction, LLC, in 2022.
[22] *Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 4277, Docket No. 18-78-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term, Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Proposed Stage 3 LNG Facilities to be Located at the Corpus Christi LNG Terminal in San Patricio and Nueces Counties, Texas, to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Nov. 9, 2018), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 4277-A (Oct. 21, 2020) (extending export term), *amended by*, DOE/FECM Order No. 4277-B (Aug. 25, 2022) (reflecting corporate name change).
[23] *Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 4490, Docket No. 18-78-LNG, Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Feb. 10, 2020), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 4490-A, Docket No. 18-78-LNG (Oct. 21, 2020) (extending export term), *amended by*, DOE/FECM Order No. 4490-B (Aug. 25, 2022) (reflecting corporate name change).
[24] *Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, CCL Midscale 8–9, LLC & Cheniere Marketing, LLC,* DOE/FECM Order No. 5019, Docket No. 23-46-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade Agreement Nations (July 19, 2023).
[25] *Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, CCL Midscale 8–9, LLC & Cheniere Marketing, LLC*, DOE/HGEO Order No. 5391, Docket No. 23-46-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Feb. 26, 2026).

Bcf/yr of natural gas to non-FTA countries on a non-additive basis. These orders are summarized in Tables 1 and 2 of the Appendix to this Order.

Proposed CCL Stage 4 Project. CCL Stage IV states that the proposed CCL Stage 4 Project would "be located on land currently owned by Cheniere Land Holdings, LLC"[26] and "largely within areas previously authorized . . . for the construction and operation of the CCL Terminal and an area adjacent to the CCL Terminal, which was previously used for an industrial facility."[27] The CCL Stage 4 Project would "include . . . four liquefaction trains, two LNG storage tanks, three ground flares, a third marine berth, a terminal supply line, and other associated infrastructure."[28]

CCL Stage IV states that Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC, filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) on February 3, 2026, seeking "authorization to site, construct, and operate the CCL Stage 4 Project in [FERC] Docket No. CP26-82-000."[29] According to CCL Stage IV, FERC provided notice of this application two weeks later.[30] CCL Stage IV adds that its affiliate Cheniere Corpus Christi Pipeline, L.P. (CCPL) "concurrently requested . . . a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing CCPL to expand its existing pipeline system . . . to provide feed gas on an integrated basis to the CCL Terminal and to support the CCL Stage 4 Project."[31] CCL Stage IV also notes that "Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC and CCPL . . . have requested

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[26] *Id.* at 7.
[27] *Id.* at 21–22.
[28] *Id.* at 7.
[29] App. at 7 & n.12 (citing Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, *et al.*, Application for Authorizations Under the Natural Gas Act and Amendment of Certificate Authorization, Docket Nos. CP26-82-000, *et al.* (Feb. 3, 2026)).
[30] *See id.* at 8 & n.16 (citing Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC, *et al.*, Notice of Application and Establishing Intervention Deadline, Docket Nos. CP26-82-000, *et al.* (Feb. 17, 2026)).
[31] *Id.* at 7–8.

that the Commission grant all authorizations required to site, construct, and operate the CCL Stage 4 Project and the [supporting pipeline] by no later than May 2027."[32]

Source of Supply. CCL Stage IV states that "[f]eed gas for the CCL Stage 4 Project will be transported to the proposed facilities by a combination of the previously permitted CCPL pipeline facilities, the CCPL Expansion Project, and intrastate pipeline facilities."[33] According to CCL Stage IV, "[t]hrough these multiple interconnections, the CCL Stage 4 Project will have access to natural gas supplies from almost any point on the U.S. interstate pipeline grid through direct delivery or by displacement, as DOE has previously confirmed in relation to the CCL Terminal."[34] CCL Stage IV further explains that, "[i]n this regard, the specific source of feed-gas for the CCL Stage 4 Project is not presently known and is likely to change over the life of the [CCL Stage 4 Project]."[35]

Business Model. CCL Stage IV requests this authorization on its own behalf and as agent for other entities who will hold title to the LNG at the time of export.[36] CCL Stage IV states that it will comply with all DOE requirements for exporters and agents, including registration requirements.[37]

CCL Stage IV states that, "[b]ecause the CCL Stage 4 Project will be operated on an integrated basis as part of the CCL Terminal, the [requested] export authorization . . . will be utilized in conjunction with a portfolio of long-term LNG export contracts associated with the CCL Terminal."[38] CCL Stage IV adds that it "will submit transaction-specific information (e.g.,

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[32] *Id.* at 8 & n.15 (the FERC application also "requested that the Commission allow ten years from the date of the authorization order . . . to complete construction and place the [approved] facilities in service to account for any construction schedule delays.").
[33] *Id.* at 11.
[34] *Id.* at 11–12.
[35] App. at 12.
[36] *Id.* at 3, 8.
[37] *See id.* at 8.
[38] *Id.* at 12.

long-term supply agreements and long-term export agreements)" when these agreements are signed, and will "request that DOE make a similar finding to that in Order No. 5391 with regard to the transaction-specific information requested in Section 590.202(b) of DOE's regulations."[39] CCL Stage IV also notes that it will file, or cause to be filed, long-term agreements associated with the export of LNG from the CCL Stage 4 Project.[40]

III. **FINDINGS**

(1) Section 3(c) of the NGA was amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-486) to require that applications requesting authority for (a) the import and export of natural gas, including LNG, from and to a nation with which there is in effect a FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, and/or (b) the import of LNG from other international sources, be deemed consistent with the public interest and granted without modification or delay. The FTA portion of CCL Stage IV's Application falls within section 3(c), as amended, and therefore, DOE grants the requested FTA authorization without modification or delay.[41]

(2) In light of DOE's statutory obligation to grant the FTA portion of this Application without modification or delay, there is no need for DOE to review other arguments asserted by CCL Stage IV in support of the Application. The instant grant of authority should not be read to indicate DOE's views on those arguments or on CCL Stage IV's request for non-FTA export authorization.

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[39] *Id.* (referring to *Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, CCL Midscale 8–9, LLC & Cheniere Marketing, LLC*, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, DOE/HGEO Order No. 5391, Docket No. 23-46-LNG (Feb. 26, 2026)).

[40] *See id.*

[41] DOE further finds that the requirement for public notice of applications and other hearing-type procedures in 10 C.F.R. Part 590 are applicable only to applications seeking to export natural gas, including LNG, to non-FTA countries.

(3) The countries with which the United States has a FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas currently are: Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Oman, Panama, Peru, Republic of Korea, and Singapore.

(4) CCL Stage IV requests authorization to export LNG on its own behalf and as agent for other entities that hold title to the LNG at the time of export. DOE previously addressed the issue of Agency Rights in DOE/FE Order No. 2913,[42] which granted Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., *et al.* (collectively, FLEX) authority to export LNG to FTA countries. In that order, DOE approved a proposal by FLEX to register each LNG title holder for whom FLEX sought to export LNG as agent. DOE found that this proposal was an acceptable alternative to the non-binding policy adopted by DOE in *The Dow Chemical Company*,[43] which established that the title for all LNG authorized for export must be held by the authorization holder at the point of export. DOE finds that the same policy considerations that supported DOE's acceptance of the alternative registration proposal in DOE/FE Order No. 2913 apply here as well.

DOE has reiterated its policy on Agency Rights procedures in other authorizations, including *Cameron LNG, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 3680.[44] In that order, DOE determined that, in LNG export orders in which Agency Rights have been granted, DOE shall require registration materials filed for, or by, an LNG title-holder (Registrant) to include the same company

[42] *Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., et al.*, DOE/FE Order No 2913, Docket No. 10-160-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas from Freeport LNG Terminal to Free Trade Nations (Feb. 10, 2011).

[43] *The Dow Chemical Company*, DOE/FE Order No. 2859, Docket No. 10-57-LNG, Order Granting Blanket Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas, at 7–8 (Oct. 5, 2010), discussed in *Freeport LNG*, DOE/FE Order No. 2913, at 7–8.

[44] *Cameron LNG, LLC*, DOE/FE Order No. 3680, Docket No. 15-36-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Cameron LNG Terminal in Cameron and Calcasieu Parishes, Louisiana, to Free Trade Agreement Nations (July 10, 2015).

identification information and long-term contract information of the Registrant as if the Registrant had filed an application to export LNG on its own behalf.[45]

To ensure that the public interest is served, this authorization requires that, where CCL Stage IV proposes to export LNG as agent, it must register the Registrants with DOE in accordance with the procedures and requirements described herein.

(5) Section 590.202(b) of DOE's regulations requires applicants to supply transaction-specific factual information "to the extent practicable."[46] Additionally, DOE regulations at 10 C.F.R. § 590.202(e) allow confidential treatment of the information supplied in support of or in opposition to an application if the submitting party requests such treatment, shows why the information should be exempted from public disclosure, and DOE determines it will be afforded confidential treatment in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 1004.11.

(6) DOE will require that CCL Stage IV file or cause to be filed with DOE any relevant long-term commercial agreements or contracts pursuant to which CCL Stage IV exports LNG as agent for a Registrant once those agreements or contracts have been executed. DOE finds that the submission of all such agreements or contracts within 30 days of their execution using the procedures described below will be consistent with the "to the extent practicable" requirement of section 590.202(b). By way of example and without limitation, a "relevant long-term commercial agreement" includes an agreement with a minimum term of two years.

(7) DOE also will require CCL Stage IV to file any long-term contracts CCL Stage IV enters into providing for the long-term export of LNG on its own behalf from the proposed CCL Stage 4 Project. DOE finds that the submission of these contracts within 30 days of their

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[45] *Id.* at 8–9.
[46] 10 C.F.R. § 590.202(b).

execution using the procedures described below will be consistent with the "to the extent practicable" requirement of section 590.202(b).

(8) In addition, DOE finds that section 590.202(c) of DOE's regulations[47] requires that CCL Stage IV file, or cause to be filed, all long-term contracts associated with the long-term supply of natural gas to the CCL Stage 4 Project, whether signed by CCL Stage IV or the Registrant, within 30 days of their execution.

(9) DOE recognizes that some information in CCL Stage IV's or a Registrant's long-term commercial agreements associated with the export of LNG, and/or long-term contracts associated with the long-term supply of natural gas to the CCL Stage 4 Project, may be commercially sensitive. DOE therefore will provide CCL Stage IV the option to file or cause to be filed either unredacted contracts, or in the alternative: (A) CCL Stage IV may file, or cause to be filed, long-term contracts under seal, but it also will file for public posting, within 30 days of the contract execution date, either: (i) a copy of each long-term contract with commercially sensitive information redacted, or (ii) a summary of all major provisions of the contract(s) including, but not limited to, the parties to each contract, contract term, quantity, any take or pay or equivalent provisions/conditions, destination, re-sale provisions, and other relevant provisions; and (B) the filing must demonstrate why the redacted or non-disclosed information should be exempted from public disclosure.[48]

To ensure that DOE destination and reporting requirements included in the Order are conveyed to subsequent title holders, DOE will include as a condition of this authorization that future contracts for the sale or transfer of LNG exported pursuant to the Order shall include an acknowledgement of these requirements.

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[47] *Id.* § 590.202(c).
[48] *Id.* § 590.202(e) (allowing confidential treatment of information in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 1004.11).

ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the NGA, it is ordered that:

A. Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC; Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC; and Cheniere Marketing, LLC (collectively, CCL Stage IV) are jointly authorized to export domestically produced LNG by vessel from the proposed CCL Stage 4 Project, to be located on the La Quinta Ship Channel in San Patricio and Nueces Counties, Texas, adjacent to the existing Corpus Christi LNG Terminal (CCL Terminal). The volume authorized in this Order is equivalent to 1,200 Bcf/yr of natural gas for a 25-year term to commence on the date of first commercial export from the CCL Stage 4 Project. CCL Stage IV is authorized to export this LNG on its own behalf and as agent for other entities that hold title to the LNG, pursuant to one or more contracts of any duration.[49]

B. This LNG may be exported to Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Oman, Panama, Peru, Republic of Korea, and Singapore, and to any nation with which the United States subsequently enters into a FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, provided that the destination nation has the capacity to import LNG via ocean-going vessels. FTA countries are currently identified by DOE at https://www.energy.gov/hgeo/how-obtain-authorization-import-andor-export-natural-gas-and-lng.

C. CCL Stage IV shall ensure that all transactions authorized by this Order are permitted and lawful under U.S. laws and policies, including the rules, regulations, orders, policies, and other determinations of the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of

[49] *See* U.S. Dep't of Energy, Including Short-Term Export Authority in Long-Term Authorizations for the Export of Natural Gas on a Non-Additive Basis; Policy Statement, 86 Fed. Reg. 2243 (Jan. 12, 2021).

the Treasury. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in rescission of this authorization and/or other civil or criminal remedies.

D. (i) CCL Stage IV shall file, or cause others to file, with the U.S. Department of Energy, Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office, Office of Strategic Resources, Office of Global Energy Security (EX-31) a non-redacted copy of all executed long-term contracts associated with the long-term export of LNG from the CCL Stage 4 Project on its own behalf or as agent for other entities. The non-redacted copies must be filed within 30 days of their execution and may be filed under seal, as described above.

(ii) CCL Stage IV shall file, or cause others to file, with the Office of Global Energy Security a non-redacted copy of all executed long-term contracts associated with the long-term supply of natural gas to the CCL Stage 4 Project. The non-redacted copies must be filed within 30 days of their execution and may be filed under seal, as described above.

E. CCL Stage IV is permitted to use its authorization to export LNG as agent for other LNG title-holders (Registrants), after registering those entities with DOE. Registration materials shall include an agreement by the Registrant to supply CCL Stage IV with all information necessary to permit CCL Stage IV to register that person or entity with DOE, including: (1) the Registrant's agreement to comply with this Order and all applicable requirements of DOE's regulations at 10 C.F.R. Part 590, including but not limited to destination restrictions; (2) the exact legal name of the Registrant, state/location of incorporation/registration, primary place of doing business, and the Registrant's ownership structure, including the ultimate parent entity if the Registrant is a subsidiary or affiliate of another entity; (3) the name, title, mailing address, e-mail address, and telephone number of a corporate officer or employee of the Registrant to whom inquiries may be directed; and (4) within 30 days of execution, a copy of any long-term contracts not previously filed with DOE, described in Ordering Paragraph D of this Order.

Any change in the registration materials—including changes in company name, contact information, length of the long-term contract, termination of the long-term contract, or other relevant modification—shall be filed with DOE within 30 days of such change(s).

F. CCL Stage IV, or others for whom CCL Stage IV acts as agent, shall include the following provision in any agreement or other contract for the sale or transfer of LNG exported pursuant to this Order:

> Customer or purchaser acknowledges and agrees that it will resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery only to countries identified in Ordering Paragraph B of DOE/HGEO Order No. 5454, issued August 12, 2026, in Docket No. 26-32-LNG, and/or to purchasers that have agreed in writing to limit their direct or indirect resale or transfer of such LNG to such countries. Customer or purchaser further commits to cause a report to be provided to Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC, Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC, and Cheniere Marketing, LLC (collectively, CCL Stage IV) that identifies the country (or countries) into which the LNG or natural gas was actually delivered, and to include in any resale contract for such LNG the necessary conditions to ensure that CCL Stage IV is made aware of all such actual destination countries.

G. Within two weeks after the first export of domestically produced LNG from the CCL Stage 4 Project occurs, CCL Stage IV shall provide written notification of the date of first export to DOE.

H. CCL Stage IV shall file with the Office of Global Energy Security, on a semi-annual basis, written reports describing the progress of the proposed CCL Stage 4 Project. The reports shall be filed on or by April 1 and October 1 of each year, and shall include information on the progress of the CCL Stage 4 Project, the date the CCL Stage 4 Project is expected to be operational, and the status of any long-term supply and export contracts associated with the long-term export of LNG from the CCL Stage 4 Project.

I. With respect to any change in control of the authorization holder, CCL Stage IV must comply with DOE's Procedures for Change in Control Affecting Applications and Authorizations to Import or Export Natural Gas.[50] For purposes of this Ordering Paragraph, a "change in control" shall include any change, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct the management or policies of CCL Stage IV, whether such power is exercised through one or more intermediary companies or pursuant to an agreement, written or oral, and whether such power is established through ownership or voting of securities, or common directors, officers, or stockholders, or voting trusts, holding trusts, or debt holdings, or contract, or any other direct or indirect means.[51]

J. Monthly Reports: With respect to the LNG exports authorized by this Order, CCL Stage IV shall file with the Office of Global Energy Security, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report on Form FE-746R indicating whether exports have been made. The first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than the 30th day of the month following the month of first export. In subsequent months, if exports have not occurred, a report of "no activity" for that month must be filed. If exports have occurred, the report must provide the information specified for each applicable activity and mode of transportation, as set forth in the Guidelines for Filing Monthly Reports. These Guidelines are available at https://www.energy.gov/hgeo/guidelines-filing-monthly-reports.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control No. 1901-0294)

K. All monthly report filings on Form FE-746R shall be made to the Office of Global Energy Security according to the methods of submission listed on the Form FE-746R reporting

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[50] *See* U.S. Dep't of Energy, Procedures for Changes in Control Affecting Applications and Authorizations to Import or Export Natural Gas, 79 Fed. Reg. at 65,541–42 (Nov. 5, 2014).
[51] *See id.* at 65,542.

instructions available at https://www.energy.gov/hgeo/regulation.

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APPENDIX: LONG-TERM EXPORT AUTHORIZATIONS FOR THE CORPUS CHRISTI LNG TERMINAL

The long-term export authorizations issued by DOE to Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC; Cheniere Marketing, LLC; CCL Midscale 8-9, LLC; and/or Corpus Chrisi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC are identified in the following tables:

Table 1: Orders Issued by DOE for the Long-Term Export of LNG from the Corpus Christi LNG Terminal to FTA Countries

Docket No.	Order No. (as Amended)	Date Originally Issued	Authorization Holder(s)	LNG Facilities at the Terminal	Volume (Bcf/yr)
12-99-LNG	3164-B	Oct. 16, 2012, as amended	Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC	Liquefaction Project (Large-Scale Trains 1–3)	767
18-78-LNG	4277-B	Nov. 9, 2018, as amended	Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC	Stage 3 Project (Midscale Trains 1–7)	582.14
19-124-LNG	4519-A	Apr. 14, 2020, as amended	Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC	Liquefaction Project (Large-Scale Trains 1–3)	108.16
23-46-LNG	5019	July 19, 2023	Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC; CCL Midscale 8–9, LLC; and Cheniere Marketing, LLC	Corpus Christi Liquefaction Midscale Trains 8 & 9 Project (Midscale Trains 8–9)	170
26-32-LNG	5454	Aug. 12, 2026	Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC; Corpus Christi Liquefaction Stage IV, LLC; and Cheniere Marketing, LLC	Stage 4 Project (Large-Scale Trains 1–4)	1,200
Total FTA Volume					**2,827.3**

Table 2: Orders Issued by DOE for the Long-Term Export of Domestic LNG from the Corpus Christi LNG Terminal to Non-FTA Countries

Docket No.	Order No. (as Amended)	Date Originally Issued	Authorization Holder(s)	LNG Facilities at the Terminal	Volume (Bcf/yr)
12-97-LNG	3638-B	May 12, 2015, as amended	Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC	Liquefaction Project (Large-Scale Trains 1–3)	767
18-78-LNG	4490-B	Feb. 10, 2020, as amended	Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC	Stage 3 Project (Midscale Trains 1–7)	582.14
19-124-LNG	4799	Mar. 16, 2022	Cheniere Marketing, LLC and Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC	Liquefaction Project (Large-Scale Trains 1–3)	108.16
23-46-LNG	5391	Feb. 26, 2026	Corpus Christi Liquefaction, LLC; CCL Midscale 8–9, LLC; and Cheniere Marketing, LLC	Corpus Christi Liquefaction Midscale Trains 8 & 9 Project (Midscale Trains 8–9)	170
Total Non-FTA Volume					**1,627.3**