

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

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POWER LNG LLC	)	DOCKET NO. 26-56-LNG
	)	DOCKET NO. 23-11-LNG
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ORDER GRANTING LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION
TO EXPORT LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS TO
FREE TRADE AGREEMENT NATIONS,
AND VACATING PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

DOE/HGEO ORDER NOS. 5513 AND 4994-A

OCTOBER 30, 2026

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On May 22, 2026, Power LNG LLC (Power) 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 Power requests long-term, multi-contract authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) in a volume equivalent to 51.75 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year (Bcf/yr) of natural gas.⁴ Power seeks to export this LNG using Department of Transportation-approved International Organization for Standardization (ISO) containers via ocean-going carrier from its proposed liquefaction and export facility known as Project Seawolf (or Facility).⁵ The Facility will be located on Pelican Island within the Port of Galveston, Texas.⁶

Power seeks to export the LNG to any country 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 (FTA countries).⁷ Power requests this authorization for a term to extend through December 31, 2050, plus a three-year Make-Up Period, consistent with recent DOE practice.⁸ Additionally, Power requests authority to export the LNG on its own behalf and as

¹ Power LNG LLC, Application for Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade Agreement Countries, Docket Nos. 26-56-LNG and 23-11-LNG (May 22, 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 HGEO. In this Order, DOE uses the acronym in effect at the time of each order or action discussed.

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, 4, 11.

⁵ *Id.* at 4.

⁶ *Id.* at 4, 5–6.

⁷ *See id.* at 4, 5, 16–17; 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.

⁸ *Id.* at 4, 17. *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). Additionally, DOE notes that, effective January 12, 2021, long-term export

agent for other entities that hold title to the LNG at the time of export.⁹

Concurrently with its request for long-term export authorization, Power requests vacatur of its existing long-term order, DOE/FECM Order No. 4994 (Docket No. 23-11-LNG), which authorizes Power to export up to 7.0445 Bcf/yr of natural gas to FTA countries.¹⁰ Power requests that the vacatur take effect on the same date that the requested FTA authorization becomes effective.¹¹

As set forth below, DOE grants the requested FTA authorization pursuant to NGA section 3(c), as well as the requested vacatur.

II. BACKGROUND

Applicant. Power is a Texas limited liability company with its principal place of business in Seabrook, Texas.¹²

Proposed Project Seawolf. Power states that it will construct, own, and operate Project Seawolf.¹³ Power states that this Facility will be constructed on a 30-acre marine and industrial site on Pelican Island within the Port of Galveston's designated industrial area.¹⁴ Power further states that it has executed an agreement with the Port of Galveston (operating as the Galveston Wharves) for the exclusive right and option to negotiate and enter into a long-term ground lease for the marine and industrial property.¹⁵

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 Policy Statement, Including Short-Term Export Authority in Long-Term Authorizations for the Export of Natural Gas on a Non-Additive Basis, 86 Fed. Reg. 2243 (Jan. 12, 2021).

⁹ App. at 12, 17.

¹⁰ *Power LNG LLC*, DOE/FECM Order No. 4994, Docket No. 23-11-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Apr. 18, 2023).

¹¹ App. at 1–2, 12–13.

¹² *Id.* at 4.

¹³ *Id.* at 5–6.

¹⁴ *See id.* at 6–7.

¹⁵ App. at 6. Power provides correspondence documenting site control as Appendix C to the Application.

According to Power, the Facility is anticipated to include multiple modular liquefaction trains, each capable of producing approximately 13 Bcf per year of LNG, for a combined nameplate capacity of approximately 51.75 Bcf per year at full build-out.¹⁶ Power states that it intends to begin with Phase I of the Facility, with additional production capacity “to be brought online and expanded incrementally as commercial agreements are executed and sales volumes increase.”¹⁷

Power states that the Facility is “designed to store up to fifty (50) stacked ISO containers during Phase I, with ISO container storage capacity scalable as the Facility expands through successive phases.”¹⁸ Power adds that the Facility will include a dedicated truck loading facility to support the loading of LNG into ISO containers for transport to the marine berth within the Port.¹⁹ Power further states that it will construct the dedicated marine berth to support ISO container loading onto ocean-going vessels for export.²⁰

Source of Supply. Power states that it intends to enter into a long-term natural gas supply agreement with the Houston Pipeline System (HPL System), a subsidiary of Energy Transfer.²¹ Power states that the HPL System is an extensive network of intrastate natural gas pipelines, with related storage and transportation assets, that will provide direct connectivity to the Facility.²² Power states that the HPL System has access to multiple sources of natural gas supply reserves in Texas and the western Gulf of America.²³ Power further states that, due to the HPL System’s “numerous interconnections with other pipeline systems,” the Facility will have

¹⁶ *Id.* at 8; *see also id.* at 10–11 (describing the Facility’s planned modular configuration and liquefaction technology).

¹⁷ *Id.* at 7–8.

¹⁸ *Id.* at 8.

¹⁹ *Id.*

²⁰ *Id.* Power states that it may also utilize existing Port berth infrastructure to support ISO container loading. *See id.*

²¹ App. at 7, 13.

²² *Id.* at 7.

²³ *Id.* at 13.

indirect access to the national natural gas pipeline system, thus “providing Power and its potential customers with a variety of stable and economic natural gas supply options.”²⁴

Business Model. Power 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.²⁵ Power states that it will file, or cause to be filed, all long-term commercial agreements, once executed, in accordance with DOE’s established policy, and will comply with all DOE requirements for exporters and agents, including registration requirements.²⁶

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. This Application falls within section 3(c), as amended, and therefore, DOE grants the requested authorization without modification or delay.²⁷

(2) In light of DOE’s statutory obligation to grant this Application without modification or delay, there is no need for DOE to review other arguments asserted by Power in support of the Application. The instant grant of authority should not be read to indicate DOE’s views on those arguments.

²⁴ *Id.*

²⁵ *Id.* at 4, 12, 17.

²⁶ *Id.* at 12.

²⁷ DOE further finds that the requirements 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 countries with which the United States does not have an FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas.

(3) The countries with which the United States has an 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) Power 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. 2913,²⁸ 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*, which established that the title for all LNG authorized for export must be held by the authorization holder at the point of export.²⁹ 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. 3680.³⁰ 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

²⁸ *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).

²⁹ *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.

³⁰ *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.³¹

To ensure that the public interest is served, this authorization requires that, where Power 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."³² 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 Power file or cause to be filed with DOE any relevant long-term commercial agreements or contracts pursuant to which Power 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" would include an agreement with a minimum term of two years.

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

³¹ *Id.* at 8–9.

³² 10 C.F.R. § 590.202(b).

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 regulations³³ requires that Power file, or cause to be filed, all long-term contracts associated with the long-term supply of natural gas to the Project Seawolf Facility, whether signed by Power or the Registrant, within 30 days of their execution.

(9) DOE recognizes that some information in Power’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 Facility, may be commercially sensitive. DOE therefore will provide Power the option to file or cause to be filed either unredacted contracts, or in the alternative: (A) Power 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, destinations, 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.³⁴

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.

³³ *Id.* § 590.202(c).

³⁴ *Id.* § 590.202(e) (allowing confidential treatment of information in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 1004.11).

(10) Consistent with DOE’s current practice and Power’s request, Power will be permitted to continue exporting the approved volume of LNG from the Facility for a total of three years following the end of the export term on December 31, 2050, solely to export any approved volume of LNG that it is unable to export during the original export period (the Make-Up Volume). The three-year term during which the Make-Up Volume may be exported, known as the Make-Up Period, will extend through December 31, 2053.³⁵

ORDER

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

A. Power LNG LLC (Power) is authorized to export domestically produced LNG sourced from the proposed Project Seawolf, to be located on Pelican Island within the Port of Galveston, Texas. Power is authorized to export this LNG in approved ISO containers loaded onto ocean-going vessels in a volume equivalent to 51.75 Bcf/yr of natural gas. This authorization will commence on the date of first export and extend through December 31, 2050. Power may continue exporting any Make-Up Volume for a three-year Make-Up Period following this export term, *i.e.*, through December 31, 2053.³⁶ Power 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.³⁷

B. This LNG may be exported to Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua,

³⁵ See *Port Arthur LNG Phase II, LLC*, DOE/FECM Order No. 5292-A, Docket No. 20-23-LNG, Order Amending Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, at 3–5 (June 30, 2025).

³⁶ This three-year Make-Up Period does not affect or modify the export volume authorized in this Order. Insofar as Power may seek to export additional volumes not previously authorized, it will be required to obtain appropriate authorization from DOE.

³⁷ 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, 2245 (Jan. 12, 2021).

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

D. (i) Power 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 Facility 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) Power 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 Facility. The non-redacted copies must be filed within 30 days of their execution and may be filed under seal, as described above.

E. Power 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 Power with all information necessary to permit

Power 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. Power, or others for whom Power 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. 5513, issued October 30, 2026, in Docket No. 26-56-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 Power LNG LLC that identifies the country (or countries) into which the LNG was actually delivered, and to include in any resale contract for such LNG the necessary conditions to ensure that Power LNG LLC is made aware of all such actual destination countries.

G. Within two weeks after the first export of domestically produced LNG from the proposed Facility occurs, Power shall provide written notification of the date of first export to DOE.

H. Power shall file with the Office of Global Energy Security, on a semi-annual basis, written reports describing the progress of the proposed Facility. 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 Facility, the date the Facility 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 Facility.

I. With respect to any change in control of the authorization holder, Power must comply with DOE's Procedures for Change in Control Affecting Applications and Authorizations to Import or Export Natural Gas.³⁸ 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 Power, 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.³⁹

J. Monthly Reports: With respect to the exports authorized by this Order, Power 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

³⁸ 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. 65,541 (Nov. 5, 2014).

³⁹ See *id.* at 65,542.

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

L. Power's authorization granted in DOE/FECM Order No. 4994 (Docket No. 23-11-LNG) is hereby vacated, effective immediately.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on October 30, 2026.

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