

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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| COVE POINT LNG, LP )                            | FE DOCKET NO. 11-115-LNG |
| (formerly Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP) ) | FE DOCKET NO. 11-128-LNG |
| )   | FE DOCKET NO. 18-180-LNG |
| )   | FE DOCKET NO. 19-156-LNG |
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ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO AMEND AUTHORIZATIONS  
TO IMPORT OR EXPORT LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS  
TO REFLECT CORPORATE NAME CHANGE

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3019-C  
DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3331-E  
DOE/FE ORDER NO. 4320-A  
DOE/FE ORDER NO. 4508-A

On November 13, 2020, the authorization holder then-known as Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP (DECP) filed a Notification of Name Change with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE)<sup>1</sup> in the above-captioned proceedings.<sup>2</sup> Specifically, the

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<sup>1</sup> Authority to regulate the imports and exports of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas (LNG), under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. § 717b) has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FE in Redelegation Order No. 00-002.04G, issued on June 4, 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP, Notification of Name Change, FE Docket Nos. 11-115-LNG, *et al.* (Nov. 13, 2020) [hereinafter Notification].

company's operating partner, Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company (BHE), informed DOE/FE that, on November 2, 2020, DECP amended its Certificate of Limited Partnership with the State of Delaware to change its corporate name to Cove Point LNG, LP (Cove Point).<sup>3</sup>

BHE asks DOE/FE to amend the following four import and/or export authorizations originally issued to DECP (or its predecessor) to reflect the name change to Cove Point:

- (i) DOE/FE Order No. 3019 (as amended by Order Nos. 3019-A and 3019-B)<sup>4</sup> (FE Docket No. 11-115-LNG),
- (ii) DOE/FE Order No. 3331-A (as amended by Order Nos. 3331-C and 3331-D)<sup>5</sup> (FE Docket No. 11-128-LNG),
- (iii) DOE/FE Order No. 4320<sup>6</sup> (FE Docket No. 18-180-LNG), and
- (iv) DOE/FE Order No. 4508<sup>7</sup> (FE Docket No. 19-156-LNG).

Cove Point is currently authorized to import or export domestically produced LNG by vessel from the Cove Point LNG Terminal located in Calvert County, Maryland, as specified in each order and as summarized in the Notification.<sup>8</sup>

Upon review, DOE/FE finds that the request to amend DOE/FE Order Nos. 3019, 3331-

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<sup>3</sup> *Id.* at 2 (attaching State of Delaware certificate showing change to name of limited partnership).

<sup>4</sup> *Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP*, DOE/FE Order No. 3019, FE Docket No. 11-115-LNG, Order Granting Long-Term Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Cove Point LNG Terminal to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Oct. 7, 2011), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 3019-A (Aug. 4, 2017) (amending authorization to reflect corporate name change to DECP), DOE/FE Order No. 3019-B (Oct. 21, 2020) (extending export term through December 31, 2050).

<sup>5</sup> *Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP*, DOE/FE Order No. 3331-A, FE Docket No. 11-128-LNG, Final Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term, Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel From the Cove Point LNG Terminal in Calvert County, Maryland, to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (May 7, 2015), *reh'g denied* DOE/FE Order No. 3331-B (Apr. 18, 2016), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 3331-C (Aug. 4, 2017) (amending authorization to reflect corporate name change to DECP), *further amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 3331-D (Oct. 21, 2020) (extending export term through December 31, 2050).

<sup>6</sup> *Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP*, DOE/FE Order No. 4320, FE Docket No. 18-180-LNG, Order Granting Blanket Authorization to Import Liquefied Natural Gas from Various International Sources by Vessel (Dec. 11, 2018).

<sup>7</sup> *Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP*, DOE/FE Order No. 4508, FE Docket No. 19-156-LNG, Order Granting Blanket Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade Agreement and Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Feb. 28, 2020).

<sup>8</sup> *See* Notification at 1-2.

A, 4320, and 4508—and the amendments to each order, as applicable—to reflect Cove Point’s corporate name change is consistent with the public interest, pursuant to NGA section 3.<sup>9</sup>

**ORDER**

Pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. § 717b), DOE/FE hereby orders that:

A. The name of the authorization holder of DOE/FE Order Nos. 3019, 3331-A, 4320, and 4508—and the amendments to each order, as applicable—is amended to Cove Point LNG, LP.

B. All obligations arising under DOE/FE Order Nos. 3019, 3331-A, 4320, and 4508—and the amendments to each order, as applicable—no longer apply to Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP, and now apply to Cove Point LNG, LP.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on December 2, 2020.

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<sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 717b.