

receive advice and comments in return from the committee.

Tentative Agenda: The meeting is expected to include presentations that provide the committee updates on activities for the Office of Nuclear Energy. In addition, there will be presentations by Nuclear Energy Advisory Committee subcommittees. The agenda may change to accommodate committee business. For updates, one is directed the NEAC Web site: <http://energy.gov/ne/services/nuclear-energy-advisory-committee>.

Public Participation: Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions may do so on the day of the meeting, Friday, June 17, 2016. Approximately thirty minutes will be reserved for public comments. Time allotted per speaker will depend on the number who wish to speak but is not expected to exceed 5 minutes. Anyone who is not able to make the meeting or has had insufficient time to address the committee is invited to send a written statement to Bob Rova, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, or email robert.rova@nuclear.energy.gov.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available by contacting Mr. Rova at the address above or on the Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy Web site at <http://energy.gov/ne/services/nuclear-energy-advisory-committee>.

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LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. 10-161-LNG; FE Docket No. 11-161-LNG]

Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P./FLNG Liquefaction, LLC, FLNG Liquefaction 2, LLC, and FLNG Liquefaction 3, LLC Statement Regarding Change in Control

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of change in control.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of receipt of a notice and statement regarding change in control, filed March 2, 2016 (Statement),¹ by

¹ Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., FLNG Liquefaction, LLC, FLNG Liquefaction 2, LLC, and FLNG Liquefaction 3, LLC, Notice and Statement of Change in Control, FE Docket Nos. 10-160-LNG,

Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P. (Freeport Expansion), FLNG Liquefaction, LLC (FLIQ1), FLNG Liquefaction 2, LLC (FLIQ2), and FLNG Liquefaction 3, LLC (FLIQ3) (collectively, FLEX). The Statement is intended to inform DOE/FE about a change in control of the upstream ownership of FLIQ1.² The Statement was filed under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), 15 U.S.C. 717b.

DATES: Protests, motions to intervene or notices of intervention, as applicable, and written comments are to be filed using procedures detailed in the Public Comment Procedures section of this Notice no later than 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, June 10, 2016.

ADDRESSES:

Electronic Filing by email: fergas@hq.doe.gov.

Regular Mail: U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, DC 20026-4375.

Hand Delivery or Private Delivery Services (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.): U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larine Moore or Benjamin Nussdorf, U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-9478; (202) 586-7893.

Edward Myers, U.S. Department of Energy (GC-76), Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Electricity and Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-3397.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Change in Control

As noted above, the Statement is intended to inform DOE/FE about a change in control of the upstream ownership of FLIQ1. The Statement indicates that FLIQ1 is 100 percent

10-161-LNG, 11-161-LNG, 12-06-LNG (Mar. 2, 2016).

² On September 23, 2014, DOE/FE granted an earlier FLEX request for a change in control of FLIQ1 and FLIQ2. *Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., et al., Order Approving Change in Control of Export Authorizations*, DOE/FE Docket Nos. 14-005-CIC, 10-160-LNG, 10-161-LNG, 11-161-LNG, 12-06-LNG (Sept. 23, 2014).

owned by FLIQ1 Holdings, LLC (Holdings) and 25 percent of Holdings is owned by Osaka Gas Liquefaction USA Corporation, 25 percent by Chubu Electric Power Company Freeport, Inc., and 50 percent by Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P. The Statement does not propose to change these ownership stakes. However, the Statement proposes a change to the ownership of Chubu Electric Power Company Freeport, Inc. Whereas, prior to the change in control, 100 percent of Chubu Electric Power Company Freeport, Inc. was owned by Chubu Electric Power Company, after the change, Chubu Electric Power Company Freeport, Inc. will be 100 percent owned by a joint venture called JERA Co., Inc. In this regard, JERA Co., Inc. is 50 percent owned by Chubu Electric Power Company and 50 percent is owned by Tokyo Electric Power Fuel & Thermal Power Generation Business Split Preparation Company, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Tokyo Electric Power Company, Incorporated. Additional details can be found in the Statement, posted on the DOE/FE Web site at http://energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2016/03/f30/ChubuJERA%20CIC%20Notice%2003%2002%202016_1.pdf.

DOE/FE Evaluation

DOE/FE will review the Statement³ in accordance with its Procedures for Changes in Control Affecting Applications and Authorizations to Import or Export Natural Gas (CIC Revised Procedures).⁴ Consistent with the CIC Revised Procedures, this Notice addresses only those FLEX proceedings in which final authorizations have been issued to export LNG to non-FTA countries. The affected proceedings include DOE/FE Docket Nos. 10-161-LNG and 11-161-LNG.⁵ If no interested

³ The Statement identifies two other proceedings, FE Docket Nos. 10-60-LNG and 12-06-LNG, in which DOE/FE authorized FLEX to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) 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, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (FTA countries). Consistent with the Revised CIC Procedures, DOE gives immediate effect to these changes. See 79 FR 65542.

⁴ 79 FR 65541 (Nov. 5, 2014).

⁵ The final authorizations issued in the referenced non-FTA proceedings include *Freeport LNG Expansion L.P., et al.*, DOE/FE Order No. 3282-C, FE Docket No. 10-161-LNG, Final Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Multi-Contract Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Freeport LNG Terminal on Quintana Island, Texas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Nov. 14, 2014); and *Freeport LNG Expansion L.P., et al.*, DOE/FE Order No. 3357-B, FE Docket No. 11-161-LNG, Final Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Multi-Contract

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person protests the change in control and DOE takes no action on its own motion, the change in control will be deemed granted 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. If one or more protests are submitted, DOE will review any motions to intervene, protests, and answers, and will issue a determination as to whether the proposed change in control has been demonstrated to render the underlying authorization inconsistent with the public interest.

Public Comment Procedures

Interested persons will be provided 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register** in order to move to intervene, protest, and answer the Statement. Protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and written comments are invited in response to this Notice only as to the proposed change in control described in the Statement.⁶ All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by DOE's regulations in 10 CFR part 590.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods: (1) Preferred method: Emailing the filing to fergas@hq.doe.gov, with the individual FE Docket Number(s) in the title line, or FLEX Change in Control in the title line to include all applicable dockets in this Notice; (2) mailing an original and three paper copies of the filing to the Office of Regulation and International Engagement at the address listed in **ADDRESSES**; or (3) hand delivering an original and three paper copies of the filing to the Office of Regulation and International Engagement at the address listed in **ADDRESSES**. All filings must include a reference to the individual FE Docket Number(s) in the title line, or FLEX Change in Control in the title line to include all applicable dockets in this Notice. PLEASE NOTE: If submitting a filing via email, please include all related documents and attachments (e.g., exhibits) in the original email correspondence. Please do not include any active hyperlinks or password protection in any of the documents or attachments related to the filing. All electronic filings submitted to DOE must follow these guidelines to ensure that all documents are filed in a timely manner. Any hardcopy filing submitted greater in length than 50 pages must

also include, at the time of the filing, a digital copy on disk of the entire submission.

The Statement and any filed protests, motions to intervene or notice of interventions, and comments are available for inspection and copying in the Office of Regulation and International Engagement docket room, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, 20585. The docket room is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. These documents are also available electronically by going to the following DOE/FE Web address: http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/gas_regulation/index.html.

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John A. Anderson,

Director, Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Oil and Natural Gas.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP15-549-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed SM-80 MAOP Restoration Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the SM-80 MAOP Restoration Project, proposed by Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia) in the above-referenced docket. Columbia requests authorization to abandon, construct, and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities in Wayne County, West Virginia. The proposed project would restore the maximum allowable operating pressure of part of the SM-80 system.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the SM-80 MAOP Restoration Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The proposed SM-80 MAOP Restoration Project includes the following:

- Abandonment of 3.3 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipeline and associated above ground appurtenances
- Construction of 3.9 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipe to replace the abandoned pipeline
- Minor modifications to support facilities

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before June 17, 2016.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. In all instances, please reference the project docket number (CP15-549-000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502-8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file

Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Freeport LNG Terminal on Quintana Island, Texas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Nov. 14, 2014).

⁶ Intervention, if granted, would constitute intervention only in the change in control portion of these docket proceedings, as described herein.