



Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Office of Energy Projects

PRE-FILING REVIEW FOR SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION, LLC'S SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION PROJECT Docket No. PF10-24-000

Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project: A Planned Natural Gas Liquefaction and Export Plant

Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC and Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. (collectively referred to as "Sabine Pass") has announced its intention to add natural gas liquefaction and exportation capabilities to the existing Sabine Pass liquefied natural gas (LNG) Import Terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana (SPLNG Terminal). The Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project (Project) would consist of the construction and installation of facilities to be used for the liquefaction and exportation of natural gas. All Project facilities would be constructed and operated within the existing 853-acre SPLNG Terminal Site. The proposed facilities would consist of the following components: 1) Four LNG Liquefaction Trains; 2) Additional Power Generation; 3) Minor Other Infrastructure and Modifications; and 4) New and Remodeled Buildings. In addition a LNG storage tank and

impoundment that was previously authorized under FERC Docket CP05-396-000 but never constructed would be constructed to meet the needs of LNG storage for the Liquefaction Project. Sabine Pass indicates the Project would improve the outlook for domestic natural gas production, owing to drilling productivity gains that have enabled rapid growth in supplies from unconventional, and particularly shale, gas-bearing formations in the United States. The exportation of would provide a market solution to allow the further deliberate development of these sources of natural gas.

Sabine Pass plans to construct the Project in two stages, with anticipated in-service starting in January 2015.

The Process: A "Pre-Filing" Environmental Review Has Begun

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is the lead federal agency responsible for conducting the environmental review of the Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). As part of this process, the FERC will prepare a detailed environmental analysis for the Project. The FERC will use the analysis to consider the environmental impact that could result if it issues Sabine Pass a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity under Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act.

As of September 2010, the Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project is in the preliminary planning phase - the precise configuration and design of the facility modifications and other details have not yet been finalized - and a formal application has not been filed with the FERC. However, the FERC staff has begun the environmental review of the Project in accordance with the FERC's Pre-Filing Process, which enables review of a Project to begin before an application is filed with the FERC.

The purpose of the Pre-Filing Process is to seek public and agency input early in the Project planning phase and encourage involvement by interested stakeholders in a manner that allows for the early identification and resolution of environmental issues. The FERC staff will work with all interested stakeholders to identify and attempt to address issues before Sabine Pass files its application with the FERC. The FERC staff will be requesting other jurisdictional agencies to participate in the environmental review of the Project within the framework of the Pre-Filing Process.

On September 16, 2010, the FERC staff will participate in a public open house sponsored by Sabine Pass in the Project area to explain the environmental review process to interested stakeholders. Shortly after the public open house, the FERC staff plans to issue a Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental analysis for the Sabine

Pass Liquefaction Project that will fulfill the FERC's NEPA obligations. This notice will be sent to affected landowners, jurisdictional agencies, citizen groups, governmental entities, Native American tribes, local libraries and newspapers, and other interested parties. The notice will also be published in the Federal Register. The notice will provide a description of the proposed Project, discuss the environmental issues identified to date, request written comments or concerns about the Project to assist in developing the scope of the environmental analysis, and establish a deadline for the close of the scoping period. If the FERC

staff determines that public scoping meetings are necessary, the dates, times, and locations of the meetings will also be included in the notice.

Details about public meetings or site visits will also be posted on the FERC's calendar located at <http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx>.

You can make a difference by providing the FERC staff with your specific comments or concerns about the Project during these public input opportunities.

Your Input Is Valued

Early involvement by you and others will help the FERC staff evaluate the Project's potential impact on the environment. Please help this process work by providing the FERC with written concerns and comments about the potential environmental impacts of the Project. You can also contact Sabine Pass directly with your specific comments or concerns about the Project so it can consider potential effects at specific locations and how its design may be adjusted to avoid or minimize impacts. Your comments to the FERC

will be most useful if they focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative configurations, locations, and routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Comments that you submit to the FERC during the Pre-Filing Process will become part of the public record for the Project and do not need to be resubmitted after Sabine Pass files its application with the FERC.

The Outcome: NEPA Environmental Analysis

Sabine Pass is expected to file a formal application with the FERC in February 2011. After receipt of the formal FERC application, the FERC staff will take comments received on the Project during the Pre-Filing Process and address them in a detailed environmental analysis. The environmental analysis will describe the Project and alternatives and will identify existing environmental conditions and the potential impacts

from the Project. The analysis will also describe mitigation measures, construction procedures, and routing and siting considerations that could be implemented to eliminate or reduce impacts.

A diagram depicting the environmental review process, including opportunities for public input, is attached to this notice.

How to Share Your Comments and Concerns with the FERC

Electronically

Comments may be filed with the FERC via the Internet on the FERC's website. See the instructions at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the eFiling link and the link to the User's Guide.

Before you can file comments you will need to create an account by clicking on "Sign-up" under "New User." You will be asked to select the type of submission you are making. This type of submission is considered a "Comment on Filing."

Electronic filing is strongly encouraged.

In addition, there is an "eComment" option available, which is an easy method for interested

persons to submit text only comments on a project. Additional information for help to submit comments via eComment can be viewed at <http://www.ferc.gov/help/how-to/ecoment.asp>.

eComment does not require a FERC eRegistration account; however, you will be asked to provide a valid email address. All comments submitted under either eFiling or the eComment option are placed in the public record for the specified docket or project number.

By mail or a private mailing service

If you submit comments by hard copy, please send an original and two copies of your letter to:

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First St. NE; Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

Reference **Docket No. PF10-24-000** on the original and both copies, and label one copy of your comments to the attention of the **Gas Branch 2, DG2E**.

How to See What Else Is Filed with the FERC

Go to the FERC website at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (i.e., PF10-24). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, contact 202-502-8659.

In addition, the FERC now offers a free service called eSubscription that allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. To register for this service, go to <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm>.

How to Contact Sabine Pass

To request additional information on the proposed Project or to provide comments directly to the Project sponsor, you can contact Patricia Outtrim at Sabine Pass Liquefaction by calling 713-375-5212. Also, Sabine Pass Liquefaction has established an Internet website at www.cheniere.com for Project information.

The website includes a description of the Project, an overview map of the Project, and links to related documents. Sabine Pass Liquefaction will update the website as the environmental review of its Project proceeds.