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# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

In the matter of:

Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P.

FE Docket No. 12-32-LNG

4:04 pm, Mar. 23, 2016

## MOTION TO INTERVENE OF THE AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE

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Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 590.303, the American Petroleum Institute ("API") files this

motion to intervene in the above-captioned docket. In support, API states as follows.

### COMMUNICATIONS

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#### BACKGROUND

On March 23, 2012, Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P. ("Jordan Cove") filed an application with the Department of Energy's Office of Fossil Energy ("DOE/FE") seeking a long-term multi-contract authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas ("LNG") up to the equivalent of 292 billion cubic feet ("Bcf") of natural gas per year over a 25year term to non-Free Trade Agreement ("non-FTA") countries. Jordan Cove seeks this authorization to export natural gas as LNG on its own behalf and as agent for others, commencing on the earlier of the date of first export or seven years after authorization is granted. Jordan Cove proposes to liquefy the natural gas at the Jordan Cove LNG liquefaction facility proposed for in Coos County, Oregon, for export via ocean-going vessel to any nation that currently has or develops the capacity to import LNG, with which the United States does not have an FTA requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy. On March 24, 2014, DOE/FE conditionally approved Jordan Cove's application to export LNG to non-FTA countries.<sup>1</sup>

On October 5, 2015, Jordan Cove amended its application to increase the volume for which it seeks export authorization from DOE/FE from 292 Bcf of natural gas per year to up to 350 Bcf of natural gas per year. The deadline to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding is March 23, 2016.<sup>2</sup>

#### **INTERVENTION**

API is a national trade association representing more than 650 member companies involved in all aspects of the oil and natural gas industry in the United States. Our members include owners and operators of LNG import and export facilities in the United States and around the world, as well as owners and operators of LNG vessels, global LNG traders, and manufacturers of essential technology and equipment used all along the LNG value chain. Our members also have extensive experience with the drilling and completion techniques used in shale gas development and in producing America's natural gas resources in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. API thus has a direct and immediate interest in this docket

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P., Order Conditionally Granting Long-Term Multi-Contract Authorization To Export Liquefied Natural Gas By Vessel From The Jordan Cove LNG Terminal In Coos Bay, Oregon To Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, DOE/FE Order No. 3413 (Mar. 24, 2014).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 81 Fed. Reg. 11,202 (Mar. 3, 2016).

which cannot be adequately protected by any other party. Accordingly, API should be permitted to intervene in this docket with full rights as a party.

## CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, API respectfully requests that DOE/FE grant this timely motion to intervene and that API be accorded fully party status in any proceedings held by DOE/FE in this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 23, 2016

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have this 23rd day of March, 2016, serviced copies of the foregoing document filed with the DOE/FE on the designated representatives of all of the parties to this proceeding, in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 590.107(a).

Dated: March 23, 2016

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