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Mr. John A. Anderson Manager, Natural Gas Regulatory Activities U.S. Deptartment of Energy (FE-34) Office of Oil & Gas Global Supply & Security Office of Fossil Energy Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20585

Re:

Gulf Coast LNG Export, LLC

Application for Long-Term Authorization to Export

Domestically Produced Liquefied Natural Gas for a 25 - Year Period

FE Docket No. 12-05-LNG.

Dear Mr. Anderson,

I am writing on behalf of the International Seafarer Center at the Port of Brownsville in support of Gulf Coast LNG Export, LLC's application for long-term authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG). Our organization exists to serve the practical and spiritual needs of seafarers through funds generated by visiting vessels while employing local clergy and volunteers. All visiting seafarers support the local retail trade.

We support the Gulf Coast LNG project because of the significant job creation and positive economic impact it will have to our community. Brownsville, Texas has a large population looking for good paying permanent jobs. The Gulf Coast LNG project will help the Brownsville community by supplying thousands of jobs, increasing the local tax base and improving the standard of living.

The proposed LNG liquefaction and export project is important, as it will provide demand for the unconventional shale gas resources that are being developed across the United States, allowing this industry to continue their investment while expanding employment opportunities. This driving economic stimulus will maintain or increase tax revenues to Federal, State and local governments. The employment and tax benefits will be far reaching and will contribute to our overall economic health. Additional wells will be drilled that can help to reduce our global trade deficit while promoting clean natural energy here and around the world.

For these reasons, the International Seafarer Center supports the Gulf Coast LNG project and urges the DOE/FE to approve the Gulf Coast LNG liquefaction and export project.

Thank you for your consideration

Respectfully submitted,

C.S. Andreas Lewis

Chaplain