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Ms. Larine Moore  
U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)  
Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply  
Office of Fossil Energy  
Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042  
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20585

**Re: Application of Magnolia LNG, LLC - DOE/FE Docket No. 13-132-LNG**

Dear Ms. Moore,

Magnolia LNG, LLC (Magnolia LNG) filed an application with the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Fossil Energy (DOE/FE) requesting long-term, multi contract authorization to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) produced from domestic sources by vessel from the proposed Magnolia LNG Terminal to be located near Lake Charles, Louisiana. The company requests authorization to export LNG by vessel to non-free trade agreement (non-FTA) countries for a 25-year term. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), DOE must grant applications for authorization to export natural gas to countries with which the United States has a free trade agreement without modification or delay. By contrast, the NGA creates a rebuttable presumption that natural gas exports to non-FTA nations are in the public interest. If that presumption is not overcome, DOE must grant the requested authorization. As demonstrated in its application in the Magnolia LNG docket, Magnolia LNG's proposal in fact advances the public interest.

The proposed \$3.5 billion Magnolia LNG Project is planned on approximately 115 acres in Southwest Louisiana and is located on the Calcasieu Ship Channel. The Project will receive natural gas via an existing interstate natural gas pipeline that crosses onto Magnolia LNG's proposed site. It will then treat, liquefy, and store (as LNG) the natural gas onsite. The LNG will then be delivered to LNG carriers for export overseas. In addition, the proposed Project also is developing LNG trucking and barging capabilities for domestic distribution and consumption. The facility will include four LNG trains, each of 2 mtpa LNG production capacity.

In addition, Magnolia LNG's proprietary liquefaction technology has substantial efficiencies that will result in significantly less emissions than traditional liquefaction processes thus resulting in a reduced environmental impact in the southwest Louisiana region.



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The Port of Lake Charles supports the request and the approximately 1000 construction jobs it will bring to the area and the significant economic development benefits for the State of Louisiana.

Yours truly,



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