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Via Electronic Mail

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Attention: Natural Gas Reports

**Re: Semi-Annual Status Report on Liquefied Natural Gas Export Project
Golden Pass Products LLC, FE Docket No. 12-88-LNG (DOE/FE Order No. 3147)**

To: Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities

On September 27, 2012, the Department of Energy/Fossil Energy ("DOE/FE") issued *Golden Pass Products LLC* ("GPP"), DOE/FE Order No. 3147, in the referenced proceeding, granting long-term multi-contract authorization to GPP for the exportation of Liquefied Natural Gas ("LNG") by vessel from the proposed GPP export terminal facilities, to free trade agreement nations. Ordering paragraph (J) of the September 27, 2012 order requires GPP to file semi-annual status reports on April 1st and October 1st of each year describing the progress of the proposed export facilities. In compliance with ordering paragraph (J), GPP is providing the following status report.

On July 7, 2014, GPP and Golden Pass Pipeline LLC ("GPPL") (collectively "Golden Pass") filed formal applications with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") under Section 3 and Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act in Docket Nos. CP14-517-000 and CP14-518-000, respectively, to construct and operate LNG export facilities near Sabine Pass, Texas. On December 21, 2016, the FERC issued an order authorizing Golden Pass' applications in Docket Nos. CP14-517 and CP14-518. The December 21 Order is subject to 83 environmental conditions as explained in Appendix A of the order.

The 30-day rehearing deadline for FERC's December 21 Order was Monday, January 23, 2017. No parties to the FERC proceedings, CP14-517 and CP14-518, filed for rehearing of the order. Therefore, the December 21 Order is administratively final. Golden Pass brought this event to the attention of DOE/FE by letter on February 7, 2017.

Golden Pass continues to engage the various federal and state permitting agencies. The necessary air quality permits for the liquefaction terminal have been issued and received by Golden Pass and applications for the proposed compressor stations will be submitted in 2018. Approval of the (CWA Section 401) Water Quality Certification and the (Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act)

Coastal Use Determination was received August 22, 2016, from the Texas Railroad Commission. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") permit application [SWG-2004-02118 (Liquefaction Permit)] was approved on November 16, 2016. The approval gives Golden Pass the right to permanently fill wetlands to expand the existing terminal site in order to construct the proposed liquefaction facilities.

On January 27, 2017, DOE formally adopted the FERC's Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Golden Pass LNG Export Project (Federal Register Vol 82, No. 17, Pg 8613).

Subject to final shareholder approvals, GPP anticipates becoming operational as early as 2021, assuming DOE/FE's timely approval of GPP's pending NFTA LNG export application filed October 26, 2012, in Docket No. FE12-156-LNG. GPP continues to advance commercial opportunities, though at present we do not have long-term export and supply contracts to report.

Respectfully submitted,
Golden Pass Products LLC



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