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RE: Fourchon LNG LLC, FE Docket No. 17-105-LNG, Order No. 4162, Order Condition J—Semi-Annual Progress Report

To: Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply

Pursuant to paragraph J of Order No. 4162, Fourchon LNG LLC (Fourchon LNG) submits this semi-annual progress report describing the progress of the natural gas liquefaction facilities being developed by Fourchon LNG at Port Fourchon, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana (the “Project”).

On August 17, 2017, Fourchon LNG filed its application for authorization to export LNG for a 30-year term to any country with which the United States currently has, or in the future will have, a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (FTA countries), and or for a 20-year term with any country with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) issued Order No. 4162 on March 11, 2018, authorizing Fourchon LNG to export approximately 260 Bcf/year of natural gas for a 30-year term to any country with whom the United States has an agreement or may subsequently enter into an agreement allowing free trade in natural gas. The Order takes effect beginning on the earlier of the date of first export or seven years from the date the authorization is issued (March 11, 2025).

On March 29, 2019, Fourchon LNG submitted its third semi-annual progress report under Order No. 4162. This is its fourth semi-annual report.

Regulatory Developments

On August 21, 2017, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) approved Fourchon LNG’s request to initiate the FERC’s National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”) pre-filing review of the Fourchon LNG’s project. The pre-filing review process has continued since then. During the last six months, the work on the FERC pre-filing process has included, among other things:

- On April 22, 2019, Fourchon LNG filed the following Resource Reports with the Commission:

- Revised Resource Report 3: Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation
- Revised Resource Report 10: Alternatives
- Resource Report 6: Geological Resources
- On April 23, 2019, Fourchon LNG filed Resource Report 2 – Water Use and Quality.
- Fourchon LNG continues preparing the additional required resource reports; significant portions of those reports are either completed or well underway and should be submitted to the Commission soon;
- Letters requesting review of Fourchon LNG’s analysis of anticipated impacts on resources potentially affected by the project were submitted in April 2019 to:
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (“NOAA”) Fisheries-Protected Resources Division
 - U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
 - Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
 - NOAA Fisheries-Habitat Conservation Division

Fourchon is also working towards a final layout for the Project. Completing that will facilitate completion of remaining Resource Reports.

Anticipated Next Steps

In short, Fourchon LNG continues to make significant progress on the FERC pre-filing process; it expects that it will be able to conclude the pre-filing process and to file its Section 3 application with FERC in 2020, with FERC issuing its final Environmental Impact Statement in early 2021, and that the FERC Order authorizing the project will follow shortly thereafter. Subject to the receipt of the required approvals, Fourchon hopes to commence construction of the first phase of an expected multi-phase project in 2021.

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Fourchon LNG believes that the foregoing summary provides the detail required under paragraph J of Order 4162 regarding the project status. However, please contact the undersigned if any additional information is needed at this time.

Sincerely,



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