

domestically produced LNG to any country with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (non-FTA countries). Rio Grande LNG is authorized to export LNG in a volume equivalent to 1,318 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year of natural gas (3.61 Bcf/day) from the proposed Rio Grande LNG Project (Project), to be located on the northern embankment of the Brownsville Ship Channel in Cameron County, Texas.

DOE/FE participated as a cooperating agency with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) analyzing the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project that would be used to support the export authorization sought from DOE/FE. DOE adopted the EIS and prepared the ROD, which is attached as an appendix to the Order. The ROD can be found here: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2020/02/f71/ord4492.pdf>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 12, 2020.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. 16-28-LNG]

### Venture Global Plaquemines LNG, LLC; Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Authorization To Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Record of decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of a Record of Decision (ROD) published under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and implementing regulations. This ROD supports DOE/FE's decision in DOE/FE Order No. 4446, an opinion and order authorizing Venture Global Plaquemines LNG, LLC to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) to non-free trade agreement countries under section 3(a) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 16, 2019, DOE/FE issued Order No. 4446 to Venture Global Plaquemines LNG, LLC (Plaquemines LNG) under NGA section 3(a), 15 U.S.C. 717b(a). This Order authorizes Plaquemines LNG to export domestically produced LNG to any country with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (non-FTA countries). Plaquemines LNG is authorized to export LNG in a volume equivalent to 1,240 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year of natural gas (3.40 Bcf/day) from the proposed Plaquemines LNG Project (Project), to be located in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

DOE/FE participated as a cooperating agency with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) analyzing the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project that would be used to support the export authorization sought from DOE/FE. DOE adopted the EIS and prepared the ROD, which is attached as an appendix to the Order. The ROD can be found here: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2019/10/f67/ord4446.pdf>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

*Docket Number:* PR20-40-001.

*Applicants:* Bay Gas Storage Company, LLC.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e)/: Amended 2020 Annual

Adjustment to Company Use Percentage to be effective 3/1/2020.

*Filed Date:* 3/9/2020.

*Accession Number:* 202003095088.

*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/30/2020.

*Docket Number:* PR20-43-000.

*Applicants:* Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e)/: CMD SOC Rates effective Feb 19 2020 to be effective 2/19/2020.

*Filed Date:* 3/9/2020.

*Accession Number:* 202003095030.

*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/30/2020.

*Docket Numbers:* RP19-1523-005.

*Applicants:* Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, LP.

*Description:* Compliance filing Compliance with RP19-1523 Order on Technical Conference to be effective 3/1/2020.

*Filed Date:* 3/11/2020.

*Accession Number:* 20200311-5023.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/23/2020.

*Docket Numbers:* RP20-653-000.

*Applicants:* Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Abandonment of T-154 in Volume No. 2 to be effective 4/13/2020.

*Filed Date:* 3/11/2020.

*Accession Number:* 20200311-5001.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/23/2020.

*Docket Numbers:* RP20-655-000.

*Applicants:* Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Vol. 2—Negotiated Rate Agreements—BCE-Mach to be effective 2/1/2020.

*Filed Date:* 3/11/2020.

*Accession Number:* 20200311-5205.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/23/2020.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified date(s). Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.