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Attention: Ms. Larine Moore, Docket Room FE-34

**Re: Energía Costa Azul, S. de R.L. de C.V.  
ECA Large-Scale Project  
DOE/FE Order Nos. 4318, 4365  
FE Docket No. 18-145-LNG  
Semi-Annual Report**

Dear Ms. Moore,

On January 25, 2019, in DOE/FE Order No. 4318, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy (“DOE/FE”), granted to Energía Costa Azul, S. de R.L. de C.V. (“ECA”) a long-term, multi-contract authorization to export natural gas to Mexico and to re-export liquefied natural gas (“LNG”) from its proposed ECA Large-Scale Project to nations that have free trade agreements with the United States requiring national treatment in the trade of natural gas (“FTA countries”). On March 29, 2019, in DOE/FE Order No. 4365, the DOE/FE granted to ECA a long-term, multi-contract authorization to export natural gas to Mexico and to re-export LNG from the ECA Large-Scale Project to Non-FTA countries. One of the conditions of the DOE/FE’s authorizations is that ECA file semi-annual written reports (on or before April 1 and October 1 of each year) describing the progress of the planned ECA Large-Scale Project. ECA hereby submits the semi-annual report covering the period October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

ECA now has in place all necessary key federal Mexican environmental authorizations to construct and operate the liquefaction terminal facilities for the ECA Large-Scale Project. In addition, ECA has continued to progress permitting, commercial and marketing activities. Based on the anticipated timing of receipt of necessary authorizations and the current project schedule, ECA estimates that it will begin exports from the ECA Large Scale Project as soon as 2025.

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Please contact me with any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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