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Ms. Amy Sweeney, Director
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**Re: Rio Grande LNG, LLC – Submission of Long Term Contract and Summary
DOE/FE Docket No. 15-190-LNG; DOE/FE Order Nos. 3869, 4492**

Dear Ms. Sweeney:

On July 5, 2022, Rio Grande LNG, LLC (“Rio Grande LNG”) entered into a long-term sale and purchase agreement (“SPA”) with China Gas Hongda Energy Trading Co., Ltd. (“China Gas”) for the sale and long-term export of liquefied natural gas (“LNG”) from the Rio Grande LNG facility (“China Gas SPA”). On July 27, 2022, pursuant to Ordering Paragraph D of DOE/FE Order 3869, Rio Grande LNG submitted under seal an unredacted hard copy of the China Gas SPA, as well as a summary of the major provisions of the China Gas SPA for public posting.

On June 26, 2023, Rio Grande LNG and China Gas executed an amendment to the China Gas SPA (“Amendment.”) The Amendment revises certain reporting requirements and pricing mechanisms provided in the China Gas SPA on file with DOE/FE. The Amendment does not alter any of the material terms of the China Gas SPA provided in the July 27, 2022, public summary. Rio Grande LNG is submitting for filing under seal by overnight mail, an unredacted copy of the Amendment. Rio Grande LNG respectfully requests confidential treatment of the Amendment to the greatest extent permitted by law because it contains highly confidential and commercially sensitive and proprietary information.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (202) 778-9014 or at david.wochner@klgates.com.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Wochner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" and "W".

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