

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT

Rio Grande LNG, LLC

Docket No. 15-190-LNG

On May 20, 2024, the state-owned oil company of the United Arab Emirates, ADNOC, announced its acquisition of 11.7% equity stake in Phase 1 of Rio Grande LNG.¹ The authorizations issued by the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (“DOE/FECM”) in the captioned proceeding and the Procedures for Changes in Control Affecting Applications and Authorizations to Import or Export Natural Gas (the “CIC Procedures”), Rio Grande LNG, LLC (RGLNG) create a presumption that Rio Grande LNG, LLC is required to submit statement and notice of change in control with respect to RGLNG’s corporate ownership as outlined in 79 Fed. Reg. 65541.² To date, no such statement has been filed by the company.

We urge the DOE/FECM to inquire whether RGLNG is obligated to submit a Change in Control filing in compliance with the CIC Procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹“ADNOC Secures Equity Position and LNG Offtake Agreement in NextDecade’s Rio Grande LNG Project”, May 20, 2024 www.adnoc.ae/en/news-and-media/press-releases/2023/adnoc-secures-equity-position-and-lng-offtake-agreement-in-nextdecades-rio-grande-lng-project

²79 Fed. Reg. 65541 (Nov. 5, 2014) www.govinfo.gov/app/details/FR-2014-11-05/2014-25143

VERIFICATION

Pursuant to 10 CFR § 590.103(b), I, Tyson Slocum, declare that I am Energy Program Director for Public Citizen, Inc. and am authorized to make this verification; that I have authored and read the foregoing filing and that the facts therein stated are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 18, 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the applicant and intervenors for this docketed proceeding in accordance with 10 CFR § 590.107(b).
Dated at Washington, DC this 18th day of November 2024.

Signed,

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