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RE: Administrative Notice of Expiration of Small-Scale Authorization

Manifest Shipping & Trading Corp., Docket No. 22-124-LNG

Dear Mr. Lindquist and Mr. McMahon:

On December 13, 2022, in DOE/FECM Order No. 4927 (Order), the Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM) granted a consolidated long-term authorization to Manifest Shipping & Trading Corp. (MST).¹

Under that Order, DOE authorized MST to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) in a volume equivalent to 51.75 billion cubic feet per year of natural gas, pursuant to section 3(a) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and DOE's regulations for small-scale exports of natural gas, to any country with which the United States does not have 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). MST is authorized to export the small-scale volume of natural gas from two liquefaction facilities (Facilities) listed in Appendix A of MST's Application. In Ordering Paragraph D, DOE required MST to commence the authorized small-scale export operations using the Facilities no later than two years from the date of issuance of the Order—*i.e.*, by December 13, 2024. DOE also authorized MST to export LNG from the Facilities to FTA countries through December 31, 2050, pursuant to NGA section 3(c).

DOE takes administrative notice that MST has not yet commenced small-scale exports and therefore has not complied with the small-scale requirement of Ordering Paragraph D. Accordingly, the portion of the Order authorizing small-scale exports of natural gas has expired. We emphasize, however, that Order No. 4927 remains in effect as to MST's authorized exports of

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¹ See Manifest Shipping & Trading Corp., Docket No. 22-124-LNG, https://www.energy.gov/fecm/articles/manifest-shipping-trading-corp-fecm-docket-no-22-124-lng.

Sincerely,

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