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I request an extension of the comment period for the Pieridae LNG Export Permit application docket no. FE-14-179-LNG and ask you to require Pieridae to submit more details on its proposal in order to facilitate comments and thoughtful consideration.

In its application, Pieridae has failed to clearly state which Northeast pipeline projects would be necessary to achieve the needed gas supply for exports via New England through the port of Goldboro, Nova Scotia. Pieridae does not fully acknowledge that its proposal creates a demand for additional pipeline construction and likely significant greenfield buildout, nor do they fully explain the seasonal nature of the LNG export business and times of the year when most exports from this northern export terminal would occur.

I have learned that none of our elected state and federal officials (many of whom were sworn in just a few weeks ago) were notified of the submission of this application or given any opportunity to review or to comment.

Allowing our elected representatives to comment is essential, given the fact that this project could adversely impact millions of New England residents by impacting Northeast energy markets.

Numerous interstate pipeline projects in the Northeast region have been proposed that claim to serve winter energy needs. None of these proposals (NED, AIM, CT Expansion, Atlantic Bridge, Access Northeast) have been

completed and all face legal and environmental challenges. Construction of an export terminal to send much or all of this new supply to Europe or Asia could further disrupt winter supply and grid reliability in the territory served by ISO New England, while further burdening rate payers.

Lastly, the DOE has requested comments on whether this proposal would impact global warming compared to other LNG proposals and compared to pipelines that serve existing customers in the region. More detail is needed on the intended export market for this gas so that informed estimates of full life-cycle emissions that result from transportation, processing, liquefaction, re-gasification, and consumption of natural gas can be determined. (Natural gas is 95 percent Methane, a greenhouse gas that according to the IPCC has 86 times the global warming potential as CO₂e in a 20 year timeframe.)

DOE should reject Pieridae's application and require a resubmission with additional details so that the public may appropriately weigh in on the environmental impact of this proposal, and so that the DOE may fulfill its responsibilities under NEPA ("the National Environmental Policy Act").

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Jennifer Markens