

### Accreditation Regulations

Diane Auer Jones, Principal Deputy Under Secretary delegated the duties of Under Secretary, will provide an update on the Administration's implementation of regulations under 34 CFR 602. The Department amended the rules governing the Secretary's recognition process, which were published November 1, 2019 and will take effect on July 1, 2020.

### Committee Chair and Vice Chair Election

The Designated Federal Official will facilitate the election of a new chair and new vice chair for the Committee.

*Submission of requests to make an oral comment regarding a specific accrediting agency under review, or to make an oral comment or written statement regarding other issues within the scope of NACIQI's authority:* Opportunity to submit a written statement regarding a specific accrediting agency under review was solicited by a previous **Federal Register** notice published on September 4, 2019 (Vol. 84, No. 171). The period for submission of such statements are now closed. Additional written comments regarding a specific agency or state approval agency under review will not be accepted at this time. However, members of the public may submit written statements regarding other issues within the scope of NACIQI's authority ("Written Statements") for consideration by NACIQI in the manner described below. No individual in attendance or making oral comments may distribute written materials at the meeting. Oral comments may not exceed three minutes.

Oral comments about an agency's recognition after review of a compliance report must relate to issues identified in the senior Department official's letter that requested the report, or in the Secretary's appeal decision, if any, and the criteria for recognition cited in the senior Department official's letter, or in the Secretary's appeal decision. Oral comments about an agency seeking expansion of scope must be directed to the agency's ability to serve as a recognized accrediting agency with respect to the kinds of institutions or programs requested to be added. Oral comments about the renewal of an agency's recognition must relate to its compliance with the Criteria for the Recognition of Accrediting Agencies, which are available at <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/index.html>. Written Statements and oral comments concerning NACIQI's work outside of a specific accrediting agency

under review must be limited to the scope of NACIQI's authority as outlined under section 114 of the HEA.

To request to make a third-party oral comment of three minutes or less at the February 27, 2020 meeting, please follow either Method One or Method Two noted below. To submit a Written Statement to NACIQI concerning its work outside a specific accrediting agency under review, please follow Method One.

*Method One:* Submit a request by email to the [ThirdPartyComments@ed.gov](mailto:ThirdPartyComments@ed.gov) mailbox. Please do not send material directly to NACIQI members. Written Statements and requests to make oral comment must be received by February 14, 2020. Include in the subject line "Oral Comment Request: (agency name)," "Oral Comment Request: (subject)" or "Written Statement: (subject)." The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, telephone number, of the person(s) submitting a Written Statement or requesting to speak, and a brief summary (not to exceed one page) of the principal points to be made during the oral presentation, if applicable. All individuals submitting an advance request in accordance with this notice will be afforded an opportunity to speak.

*Method Two:* Register at the meeting location on February 27, 2020, from 7:30 a.m.–8:30 a.m., to make an oral comment during NACIQI's deliberations. The requestor must provide the subject on which he or she wishes to comment, in addition to his or her name, title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number. A total of up to fifteen minutes for each agenda item will be allotted for oral commenters who register on February 27, 2020, by 8:30 a.m. Individuals will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. If selected, each commenter may not exceed three minutes.

*Access to Records of the Meeting:* The Department will post the official report of the meeting on the NACIQI website within 90 days after the meeting. In addition, pursuant to the FACA, the public may request to inspect records of the meeting at 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC, by emailing [aslrecordsmanager@ed.gov](mailto:aslrecordsmanager@ed.gov) or by calling (202) 453-7415 to schedule an appointment.

*Reasonable Accommodations:* The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in

an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

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**Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1011c.

**Robert L. King,**

*Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. 19-156-LNG]

### **Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP; Application for Blanket Authorization To Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Countries on a Short-Term Basis**

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice (Notice) of receipt of an application (Application), filed on December 23, 2019, by Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP (DECP). DECP requests blanket authorization to export both domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) and LNG previously imported by vessel from foreign sources in a total volume equivalent to 250 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas on a cumulative basis over a two-year period commencing on March 2, 2020. DECP seeks to export this LNG from the Cove Point LNG

Terminal (Terminal) located in Calvert County, Maryland. DECP filed the Application under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA). Protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and written comments are invited.

**DATES:** Protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention, as applicable, requests for additional procedures, and written comments are to be filed using procedures detailed in the Public Comment Procedures section no later than 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, February 24, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Electronic Filing by email:* [fergas@hq.doe.gov](mailto:fergas@hq.doe.gov).

*Regular Mail:* U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, DC 20026-4375.

*Hand Delivery or Private Delivery Services (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.):* U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Benjamin Nussdorf or Amy Sweeney, U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7893 or (202) 586-2627; [benjamin.nussdorf@hq.doe.gov](mailto:benjamin.nussdorf@hq.doe.gov) or [amy.sweeney@hq.doe.gov](mailto:amy.sweeney@hq.doe.gov)

Cassandra Bernstein or Kari Twaite, U.S. Department of Energy (GC-76), Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Electricity and Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-9793 or (202) 586-6978; [cassandra.bernstein@hq.doe.gov](mailto:cassandra.bernstein@hq.doe.gov) or [kari.twaite@hq.doe.gov](mailto:kari.twaite@hq.doe.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DECP requests a short-term blanket authorization to export LNG from the Terminal to any country with the capacity to import LNG via ocean-going carrier and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy. This includes both countries with which the United States has entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (FTA countries) and all other countries (non-FTA countries). DECP intends to source these exports from both domestically produced LNG and LNG previously imported by vessel at

the Terminal from foreign sources. This Notice applies only to the portion of the Application requesting authority to export LNG to non-FTA countries pursuant to section 3(a) of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. 717b(a).<sup>1</sup> DOE/FE will review DECP's request for a FTA export authorization separately pursuant to section 3(c) of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. 717b(c).

DECP requests this authorization on its own behalf and as agent for other entities who hold title to the LNG at the time of export. Additional details can be found in the Application, posted on the DOE/FE website at: <https://www.energy.gov/fe/downloads/dominion-energy-cove-point-llc-fe-dkt-no-19-156-lng>.

**DOE/FE Evaluation**

In reviewing DECP's request, DOE will consider any issues required by law or policy. DOE will consider domestic need for the natural gas, as well as any other issues determined to be appropriate, including whether the arrangement is consistent with DOE's policy of promoting competition in the marketplace by allowing commercial parties to freely negotiate their own trade arrangements. As part of this analysis, DOE will consider the study entitled, *Macroeconomic Outcomes of Market Determined Levels of U.S. LNG Exports* (2018 LNG Export Study),<sup>2</sup> and DOE/FE's response to public comments received on that Study.<sup>3</sup>

Additionally, DOE will consider the following environmental documents:

- *Addendum to Environmental Review Documents Concerning Exports of Natural Gas From the United States*, 79 FR 48132 (Aug. 15, 2014);<sup>4</sup>
- *Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas Perspective on Exporting Liquefied*

<sup>1</sup> DECP's existing non-FTA blanket authorization will expire on March 2, 2020. *Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP*, DOE/FE Order No. 4046, FE Docket No. 16-205-LNG, Order Granting Blanket Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas by Vessel from the Cove Point Terminal Located in Calvert County, Maryland, to Free Trade Agreement and Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (June 2, 2017), as amended *Dominion Energy Cove Point, LNG, LP*, DOE/FE Order No. 4046-A, FE Docket No. 16-205-LNG, Order Granting Request to Amend Authorizations to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Reflect Corporate Name Change (Aug. 4, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> See NERA Economic Consulting, *Macroeconomic Outcomes of Market Determined Levels of U.S. LNG Exports* (June 7, 2018), available at: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2018/06/f52/Macroeconomic%20LNG%20Export%20Study%202018.pdf>.

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Dep't of Energy, *Study on Macroeconomic Outcomes of LNG Exports: Response to Comments Received on Study; Notice of Response to Comments*, 83 FR 67251 (Dec. 28, 2018).

<sup>4</sup> The Addendum and related documents are available at: <http://energy.gov/fe/draft-addendum-environmental-review-documents-concerning-exports-natural-gas-united-states>.

*Natural Gas From the United States*, 79 FR 32260 (June 4, 2014);<sup>5</sup> and

- *Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas Perspective on Exporting Liquefied Natural Gas From the United States: 2019 Update*, 84 FR 49278 (Sept. 19, 2019), and DOE/FE's response to public comments received on that study.<sup>6</sup>

Parties that may oppose this Application should address these issues and documents in their comments and protests, as well as other issues deemed relevant to the Application.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, requires DOE to give appropriate consideration to the environmental effects of its proposed decisions. No final decision will be issued in this proceeding until DOE has met its environmental responsibilities.

**Public Comment Procedures**

In response to this Notice, any person may file a protest, comments, or a motion to intervene or notice of intervention, as applicable. Interested parties will be provided 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice in which to submit comments, protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention.

Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene or notice of intervention. The filing of comments or a protest with respect to the Application will not serve to make the commenter or protestant a party to the proceeding, although protests and comments received from persons who are not parties will be considered in determining the appropriate action to be taken on the Application. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by the regulations in 10 CFR part 590.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods: (1) Emailing the filing to [fergas@hq.doe.gov](mailto:fergas@hq.doe.gov), with FE Docket No. 19-156-LNG in the title line; (2) mailing an original and three paper copies of the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in **ADDRESSES**; or (3) hand delivering an original and three paper copies of the filing to the Office of Regulation,

<sup>5</sup> The 2014 Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas Report is available at: <http://energy.gov/fe/life-cycle-greenhouse-gas-perspective-exporting-liquefied-natural-gas-united-states>.

<sup>6</sup> U.S. Dep't of Energy, *Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas Perspective on Exporting Liquefied Natural Gas From the United States: 2019 Update—Response to Comments*, 85 FR 72 (Jan. 2, 2020). The 2019 Update and related documents are available at: <https://fossil.energy.gov/app/docketindex/docket/index/21>.

Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in **ADDRESSES**. All filings must include a reference to FE Docket No. 19-156-LNG. *Please note:* If submitting a filing via email, please include all related documents and attachments (e.g., exhibits) in the original email correspondence. Please do not include any active hyperlinks or password protection in any of the documents or attachments related to the filing. All electronic filings submitted to DOE must follow these guidelines to ensure that all documents are filed in a timely manner. Any hardcopy filing submitted greater in length than 50 pages must also include, at the time of the filing, a digital copy on disk of the entire submission.

A decisional record on the Application will be developed through responses to this Notice by parties, including the parties' written comments and replies thereto. Additional procedures will be used as necessary to achieve a complete understanding of the facts and issues. If an additional procedure is scheduled, notice will be provided to all parties. If no party requests additional procedures, a final Opinion and Order may be issued based on the official record, including the Application and responses filed by parties pursuant to this Notice, in accordance with 10 CFR 590.316.

The Application is available for inspection and copying in the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement docket room, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585. The docket room is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Application and any filed protests, motions to intervene, notices of interventions, and comments will also be available electronically by going to the following DOE/FE Web address: <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/gasregulation/index.html>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on January 21, 2020.

Amy Sweeney,

Director, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Oil and Natural Gas.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Advisory Board (EMAB)

**AGENCY:** Office of Environmental Management (EM), Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of renewal.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, and in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the EMAB will be renewed for a two-year period, beginning January 17, 2020.

The Board provides the Assistant Secretary for EM with information and strategic advice on a broad range of corporate issues affecting the EM program. These corporate issues include, but are not limited to, project management and oversight activities, cost/benefit analyses, program performance, human capital development, and contracts and acquisition strategies.

Recommendations to EM on the programmatic resolution of numerous difficult issues will help achieve EM's objective of the safe and efficient cleanup of its contaminated sites.

Additionally, the renewal of the EMAB has been determined to be essential to conduct DOE business and to be in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on DOE by law and agreement. EMAB will operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, and rules and regulations issued in implementation of that Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Borak, EMAB Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585; Phone: (202) 586-9928; Email: [david.borak@em.doe.gov](mailto:david.borak@em.doe.gov).

Signed in Washington, DC on January 17, 2020.

Rachael J. Beitler,

Acting Committee Management Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EC20-5-001.  
*Applicants:* 83WI 8me, LLC, Lily Solar, LLC, Lily Solar Lessee, LLC, X-elio Energy SC York, LLC, Brookfield Renewable Power Ltd.

*Description:* Notice of Change in Circumstances of 83WI 8me, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 1/15/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200115-5170.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/5/20.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-256-010; ER17-242-009; ER17-243-009; ER17-245-009; ER17-652-009.

*Applicants:* Darby Power, LLC, Gavin Power, LLC, Lawrenceburg Power, LLC, Waterford Power, LLC, Lightstone Marketing LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Darby Power, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 1/15/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200115-5180.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/5/20.

*Docket Numbers:* ER18-1652-004; ER10-2960-011; ER15-356-013; ER19-2231-003; ER15-357-013; ER19-2232-003; ER10-1595-014; ER18-2418-003; ER10-1598-014; ER10-1616-014; ER10-1618-014; ER18-1821-006.

*Applicants:* AL Mesquite Marketing, LLC, Astoria Generating Company, L.P., Chief Conemaugh Power, LLC, Chief Conemaugh Power II, LLC, Chief Keystone Power, LLC, Chief Keystone Power II, LLC, Crete Energy Venture, LLC, Great River Hydro, LLC, Lincoln Generating Facility, LLC, New Covert Generating Company, LLC, Rolling Hills Generating, L.L.C., Walleye Power, LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of AL Mesquite Marketing, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 1/14/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200114-5232.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/4/20.

*Docket Numbers:* ER20-821-000.  
*Applicants:* Texas Dispatchable Wind 1, LLC.

*Description:* Tariff Cancellation: Texas Dispatchable Wind 1, LLC Cancellation of Market-Based Rate Tariff to be effective 1/17/2020.

*Filed Date:* 1/16/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200116-5085.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/6/20.

*Docket Numbers:* ER20-823-000.  
*Applicants:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 205 re: NMPC and LaChute Hydro Small Generator Interconnection Agreement SA2511 to be effective 12/19/2019.

*Filed Date:* 1/17/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200117-5014.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/7/20.

*Docket Numbers:* ER20-824-000.  
*Applicants:* AEP Texas Inc.  
*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: AEPTX-La Chalupa Interconnection Agreement Second Amend & Restated to be effective 1/13/2020.