

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**[Docket No. 16–144–LNG]****Change In Control: Driftwood LNG LLC****AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management, Department of Energy.**ACTION:** Notice of change in control.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of receipt of a Statement of Change in Control (Statement) filed by Driftwood LNG LLC (Driftwood LNG) on August 16, 2024. The Statement describes an expected change in Driftwood LNG's upstream ownership. The Statement was filed under the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

DATES: Protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention, as applicable, and written comments are to be filed as detailed in the Public Comment Procedures section no later than 4:30 p.m., eastern time, September 25, 2024.

ADDRESSES:

Electronic Filing by email (Strongly encouraged): fergas@hq.doe.gov.

Postal Mail, 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 and Carbon Management, Forrestal Building, Room 3E–056, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

Due to potential delays in DOE's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, we encourage respondents to submit filings electronically to ensure timely receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Cassandra Bernstein, U.S. Department of Energy (GC–76), Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Energy Delivery and Resilience, Forrestal Building, Room 6D–033, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (240) 780–1691, cassandra.bernstein@hq.doe.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Summary of Change in Control**

Currently, Driftwood LNG is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Tellurian Inc. (Tellurian), a Delaware corporation. Driftwood LNG states that, on July 21, 2024, Tellurian announced that it had entered into a definitive agreement with subsidiaries of Woodside Energy Group Ltd (Woodside), an Australian Company, pursuant to which a Woodside subsidiary will acquire all the outstanding shares of Tellurian (Proposed Transaction). Upon satisfaction of certain conditions precedent and completion of the Proposed Transaction, Tellurian will be a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Woodside Energy Holdings (NA) LLC, a Delaware limited liability company with its principal place of business in Houston, Texas, and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Woodside.

Driftwood LNG states that the Proposed Transaction is anticipated to close in the fourth quarter of 2024. Driftwood LNG further states that, after the Proposed Transaction is consummated, it will continue to be the sole holder of the export authorizations at issue.

Charts illustrating the ownership structure of Driftwood LNG before and after the closing of the Proposed Transaction are attached to the Statement as Exhibit A. Additional details can be found in the Statement, posted on the DOE website at: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2024-08/Driftwood%20CIC%20%28Dated%208-16-24%29.pdf>.

DOE Evaluation

DOE will review the Statement in accordance with its CIC Procedures.¹ Consistent with the CIC Procedures, this notice addresses Driftwood LNG's existing authorization to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) to countries with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (FTA countries) and with which trade is not prohibited by United States law or policy (non-FTA countries), granted in DOE/FE Order No. 4373, as amended.² If no interested person protests the change in control and DOE takes no action on its own motion, the proposed change in control will be deemed granted 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. If

¹ 79 FR 65541 (Nov. 5, 2014).

² Driftwood LNG's Statement also applies to its existing authorization to export LNG to FTA countries in the same docket. DOE will respond to that portion of the filing separately pursuant to the CIC Procedures, 79 FR 65542.

one or more protests are submitted, DOE will review any motions to intervene, protests, and answers, and will issue a determination as to whether the proposed change in control has been demonstrated to render the underlying authorizations inconsistent with the public interest.

Public Comment Procedures

Interested persons will be provided 15 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** to move to intervene, protest, and answer the Statement.³ Protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and written comments are invited in response to this notice only as to the change in control described in the Statement. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by DOE's regulations in 10 CFR part 590, including the service requirements.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods:

(1) Submitting the filing electronically at fergas@hq.doe.gov;

(2) Mailing the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section; or

(3) Hand delivering the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

For administrative efficiency, DOE prefers filings to be filed electronically. All filings must include a reference to “Docket No. 16–144–LNG” in the title line, or “Driftwood LNG Change in Control” in the title line.

For electronic submissions: 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.

The Statement, and any filed protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and comments will be available electronically on the DOE website at www.energy.gov/fecm/regulation.

³ Intervention, if granted, would constitute intervention only in the change in control portion of these proceedings, as described herein.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 4, 2024.

Amy R. Sweeney,

Director, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Resource Sustainability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of a new system of records.

SUMMARY: As required by the Privacy Act of 1974 and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars A-108 and A-130, the Department of Energy (DOE or the Department) is publishing notice of a newly established Privacy Act system of records. DOE proposes to establish System of Records DOE-85 Research, Technology, and Economic Security (RTES) Due Diligence Review Records as part of the Department's implementation of Government-wide and Departmental RTES requirements included in National Security Presidential Memorandum-33 (NSPM-33), the CHIPS and Science Act, and other laws or Executive orders related to research security. Records in this system are maintained and used by the Department to track and monitor research, technology, and economic security risk assessments associated with the projects for which the Department receives applications, proposals, and submissions for research, development, deployment, demonstrations, commercialization, and scientific activities, and Departmental laboratories and facilities performing such activities, as well as certain high-risk non-scientific and non-research and development activities and for projects DOE otherwise is or is considering supporting.

DATES: This new System of Records Notice (SORN) will become applicable following the end of the public comment period on October 9, 2024, unless comments are received that result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503 and to Ken Hunt, Chief Privacy Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Rm.

8H-085, Washington, DC 20585, by facsimile at (202) 586-8151, or by email at privacy@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Hunt, Chief Privacy Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Rm 8H-085, Washington, DC 20585, or by facsimile at (202) 586-8151, by email at privacy@hq.doe.gov, or by telephone at (240) 686-9485.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE proposes to establish System of Records DOE-85 Research, Technology, and Economic Security (RTES) Due Diligence Review Records. Records in this system are maintained and used by the Department to track and monitor research, technology, and economic security risk assessments associated with the projects for which the Department receives applications, proposals, and submissions for research, development, deployment, demonstrations, commercialization, and scientific activities, and Departmental laboratories and facilities performing such activities, as well as certain non-scientific and non-research and development activities and for projects DOE/National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) is considering supporting.

RTES requirements applicable to financial assistance agreements will be implemented through DOE/NNSA financial assistance policies, funding opportunity announcements, and award terms and conditions. RTES requirements applicable to Departmental laboratories and facilities will be implemented through Departmental policies, directives, and DOE/NNSA laboratory prime contract requirements. Section 10637 of the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 117-167), part of the CHIPS and Science Act, provides that Federal agencies must "ensure that policies and activities developed and implemented pursuant to [the Act's research security requirements] are carried out in a manner that does not target, stigmatize, or discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, ethnicity, or national origin, consistent with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d *et seq.*)."

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

DOE-85 Research, Technology, and Economic Security (RTES) Due Diligence Review Records.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Both classified and unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Systems leveraging this SORN may exist in multiple locations. All systems storing records in a cloud-based server are required to use government-approved cloud services and follow National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) security and privacy standards for access and data retention. Records maintained in a government-approved cloud server are accessed through secure data centers in the continental United States.

U.S. Department of Energy Headquarters, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

SYSTEM MANAGER:

Director, Office of Research, Technology, and Economic Security (RTES). U.S. Department of Energy Headquarters, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 2401 *et seq.*; The Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (Pub. L. 83-303), as amended (42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*), sections 31, 32, and 33; The Economy Act of 1932, 31 U.S.C. 1535; Presidential Memorandum on United States Government-Supported Research and Development National Security Policy 33 (NSPM-33); Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act, Div. B of the CHIPS and Science Act (42 U.S.C. 18912, 19231-19237; Pub. L. 117-167); National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (42 U.S.C. 6605; Pub. L. 116-283); National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (42 U.S.C. 6601 note; Pub. L. 116-92); the SBIR and STTR Extension Act of 2022 (15 U.S.C. 638(vv); Pub. L. 117-183); DOE Order 486.1A, *Foreign Government Sponsored or Affiliated Activities*; DOE Policy 485.1A, *Foreign Engagements with DOE National Laboratories*; OMB Memorandum M-19-16, Centralized Mission Support Capabilities for the Federal Government (April 26, 2019); Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977 (Pub. L. 95-224); Grants Oversight and New Efficiency Act of 2016 (Pub. L. 114-117); Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (Pub. L. 113-101); Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-282); Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-65); Single Audit Act (1984) (Pub. L. 98-502); Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR part 200.