Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Secretary Jennifer Granholm U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue S.W. Washington, D.C. 20585 Via email: fergas@hq.doe.gov

Re: In the Matter of Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P. et al. FE Docket No. 21-98-LNG Application for Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) to Non-Free Trade Agreement (FTA) Nations

Dear Secretary Granholm,

We write to express our strong support for Freeport LNG Expansion, L.P., FLNG Liquefaction, LLC, FLNG Liquefaction 2, LLC and FLNG Liquefaction 3, LLC (collectively "Freeport LNG") to the U.S. Department of Energy to increase export capacity at their LNG Liquefaction and Export Terminal in Brazoria County, Texas.

According to the Energy Information Agency, Texas was the nation's top energy producer in 2020 and accounted for 26% of the natural gas production. The value of natural gas to the Texas and U.S. economy cannot be understated. LNG exports have and will continue to encourage investment in U.S. natural gas production, which in turn generates billions of dollars in new investments, benefiting local communities, producing tax revenues, and creating jobs.

Moreover you may be interested to find that LNG exports have been key to national and international efforts to reduce carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions. Since 2007, U.S. energy related CO2 emissions have declined, and continue to decline, by 15% in large part to expanded natural gas production and trade. Expanded investment in LNG exports have been at the forefront in facilitating that decline. Internationally, LNG exports also support our allies' efforts to generate electricity with natural gas versus higher CO2-emitting energy sources.

Projects like Freeport LNG's export capacity-increase request greatly benefit the nation and the global energy community, and we ask that you move quickly to grant such request, as local, national and global communities stand to greatly benefit from the approval of Freeport LNG's application. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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