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RE: Gulf Coast LNG Export, LLC
Application for Long-Term Authorization to Export Domestically Produced
Liquefied Natural Gas for a 25-Year Period
FE Docket No. 12-05-LNG

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Port of Brownsville through the actions of the Brownsville Navigation District Board of Canal Commissioners has executed a 500 acre lease option in support of Gulf Coast LNG Export, LLC's application for long-term authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG). The Port of Brownsville is connected to the Gulf of Mexico by way of a 17-mile ship channel. We are a public port and own approximately 40,000 acres of land containing all of the necessary assets and facilities to make this project a very successful venture for both the Port of Brownsville and Gulf Coast LNG.

Gulf Coast LNG proposes to export LNG from a proposed natural gas liquefaction facility and LNG terminal to be located at the Port of Brownsville. This project represents a significant new investment by Gulf Coast LNG as it will provide demand for the unconventional shale gas resources that are being developed in Texas and across the United States. This allows for the private sector industry participants to continue to invest in developing these resources and to maintain and expand employment opportunities for our communities. Sustained investment in shale gas development will benefit the US economy by driving economic stimulus, and will add tax revenues to the Federal, State and local governments. The employment and tax benefits derived from these substantial investments will be far reaching and come at a time when our economic health and employment need a critical boost to help lift our national economy. Additional investment means more wells will be drilled, more treating facilities will be constructed, more feedstock for the petrochemical industry will be produced, and our global trade deficit will be improved, all while promoting clean natural gas energy here and around the world.

The investment proposed by Gulf Coast LNG will bring many benefits to our community and the surrounding area. Some of those benefits are as follows:

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- Provide a catalyst for badly needed jobs and economic development opportunities in a certified economically depressed area.
- Create an immediate regional economic stimulus through the creation of thousands of jobs through the construction period.
- Create well-paying permanent port and port-related jobs in the public and private sectors.
- Increase export capabilities at the Port of Brownsville, the Gulf coast and the United States as a whole.

The Port of Brownsville wholeheartedly supports the Gulf Coast LNG project and urges the DOE/FE to approve its application for the liquefaction facility and LNG export terminal.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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