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Trunkline LNG Co. LLC and Trunkline LNG Export LLC, both wholly owned subsidiaries of Energy Transfer Equity LP and [Energy Transfer Partners LP](#), have submitted an application with the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission seeking its authorization for the siting, construction, ownership, and operation of the proposed Lake Charles LNG export project.

The FERC filing represents the culmination of significant front-end engineering and design (FEED) work and pre-filing consultations with FERC and other federal, state, and local agencies that have been under way since mid-2012, said [BG Group](#), which will oversee the construction and operation of the proposed facility under a long-term agreement with Energy Transfer.

Pending final investment decisions and the receipt of all necessary approvals expected in 2015, construction is planned to start shortly afterwards, with first LNG exports expected in second-quarter 2019.

The US Department of Energy in August 2013 conditionally granted authorization to export as much as 2 bcf of LNG from the existing Trunkline LNG import terminal to non-free trade agreement nations ([OGJ Online, Aug. 8, 2013](#)).

The proposed project will include the construction of three [liquefaction](#) trains and use the existing [LNG storage](#) and marine berthing facilities owned by Trunkline LNG Co. LLC. Energy Transfer has secured all property rights required for the site of the proposed liquefaction facility.

Energy Transfer will own and finance the proposed facility while BG Group will be responsible for the offtake. Trunkline Gas will provide pipeline transportation services to supply gas to the proposed facility.

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