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The Honorable Jon Wellinghoff
Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20426

The Honorable John Anderson
United States Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20585

RE: Cheniere Energy

Gentlemen:

A unique Louisiana based project proposed by Cheniere Energy provides a potential new export that can support emissions reductions globally, diversify energy security for our trading partners in Europe and the Americas, and support thousands of natural gas production jobs in the United States. The recent development of significant new natural gas resources in the State of Louisiana and across the country presents a distinctive opportunity for the United States to partner with nations in our Hemisphere and Europe in providing clean natural gas as an export.

Over the last five years, new conventional and non-conventional natural gas reserves have dramatically improved the natural gas supply picture in this country. The United States is now the largest global producer with one of the largest reserves of natural gas. The State of Louisiana has pioneered this great resource and is poised to take the next important step in its development. However, in the lower 48 states, our plentiful natural gas resources have no ability to reach export markets beyond the pipelines that move gas bi-directionally between the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

I understand that Cheniere Energy, which has the largest liquefied natural gas receiving terminal in the United States, is seeking approval to convert this facility from an import-only to a bi-directional site with an additional investment in liquefaction technology. This investment will allow gas to be condensed to a liquid and transported via ship to our trading partners. A similar facility has been in operation for four decades

in Alaska, but no such "export-ready" facility currently exists on the pipeline network in the lower 48 states.

The State of Louisiana expects that this new investment will provide a unique opportunity to allow a very small percentage of production of natural gas to be exported – sustaining 30,000-50,000 production and 1,800 construction jobs, significantly impacting the balance of trade, providing additional energy security to our allies, and providing a lower emissions energy source globally. Importantly, this one project alone has the possibility of improving – through new exports – the U.S. balance of trade by $5 to $7 billion annually.

Because of the significant benefits this facility provides both to the State of Louisiana and the nation, I am asking for your agencies to review the project without delay. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Bobby Jindal
Governor of Louisiana

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

In the matter of:	)	
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SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION, LLC	)	**Docket No. 10-111-LNG**
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STATE OF LOUISIANA'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 590.103 and 590.105 (2010) and the Department of Energy's ("DOE") Notice published at 75 Fed. Reg. 62512 (October 12, 2010), the Office of the Governor of the State of Louisiana ("State" or "State of Louisiana") requests leave for an extension of time to file supporting comments in the above-referenced proceeding. The State's comments, submitted by letter dated December 8, 2010, from Governor Bobby Jindal, are included with this filing.

In support of this motion, the State submits the following:

I. THERE IS GOOD CAUSE TO ALLOW THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 590.105(b), "[w]hen a document is required to be filed with [the Office of Fossil Energy] within a prescribed time, an extension of time to file may be granted for good cause shown." There is good cause to grant an extension of time to allow the State of Louisiana to file its supporting comments herein. The Governor signed the letter to the Department of Energy on December 8. The State attempted to send the attached letter to the Department of Energy within the time period allowed for comment; however, the State subsequently learned that the letter was not postmarked until December 14 – one day after the deadline. The State also has records indicating the document was faxed on December 10; however, it does not have the fax confirmation sheet. Finally, the Applicant had forwarded the

letter to DOE prior to the deadline established by the October 12 Notice, but DOE advised it must receive the letter in a timely manner directly from the State. Thus, despite these efforts, it has come to the State's attention that its comments have been deemed untimely. Given that the State in good faith attempted to file its comments in a timely manner and that no party will be adversely impacted by the acceptance of the attached letter out of time, good cause exists to accept the attached comments.

The State respectfully submits that no party will be prejudiced if the Office of Fossil Energy grants the State's motion for an extension of time to file its comments. Moreover, the extension of time will not prejudice the Office of Fossil Energy's or the parties' ability to take these comments into account.

II. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests the Office of Fossil Energy to accept the comments submitted with this motion.

DATED this 25th day of January, 2011 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

By:_____

Stephen Waguespack
Executive Counsel
Office of the Governor

VERIFICATION

I, **Stephen M. Waguespack,** being first duly sworn, on oath states that he is Executive Counsel for the Governor of the State of Louisiana and is authorized to make this verification; that all allegations of fact stated therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

STEPHEN M. WAGUESPACK

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 25th day of January, 2011.

Notary Public, Elizabeth Baker Murrill
Bar Roll No. 20685
My commission does not expire

CERTIFICATE OF REPRESENTATIVE

Pursuant to 10 CFR 590.103(b), I hereby certify that I am a duly authorized representative of the GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA and that I am authorized to sign and file with the Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy, the foregoing document.

DATED this 25th day of January, 2011 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

By:_____
STEPHEN M. WAGUESPACK
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Office of the Governor

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 25th day of January, 2011, a true and correct copy of the STATE OF LOUISIANA'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS and this CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE were served by regular mail or by e-mail, on the following:

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