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Ms. John A. Anderson
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Washington, D.C. 20585

Re: Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P.
FE Docket No. 12-32-LNG

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. §§ 590.303(e) and 590.304(f), Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P. (Jordan Cove) hereby seeks an extension of time. DOE/FE’s Notice of its receipt of Jordan Cove’s Application was published in the Federal Register on June 6, 2012, thus establishing the sixty-day period until August 6, 2012 for the filing of interventions, comments or protests. Jordan Cove requests that the fifteen-day period allotted for answers to interventions and protests under 10 C.F.R. §§ 590.303(e) and 590.304(f), respectively, be extended from August 21, 2012 to August 29, 2012. Good cause for the later date exists as follows.

Although protests are required by 10 C.F.R. § 590.304(d) to be served upon the applicant, to date Jordan Cove has received service copies of only two protests, those of The American Public Gas Association (APGA) and of the Sierra Club. Both these service copies were received on Friday, August 10, 2012. Jordan Cove learned of these two served protests, as well as other protests and comments in opposition as they were posted on the DOE/FE website: the Lyons family, APGA, Citizens Against LNG, KS Wild & Rogue Riverkeeper and Wim de Vriend on Wednesday, August 8 and finally Sierra Club on Friday, August 10. The delays experienced by Jordan Cove in accessing copies of the protests (particularly the Sierra Club Protest, the most voluminous and the last to be available) present good cause for extending the date for Jordan Cove’s answers.

Additional good cause exists due to the length and complexity of several of the protests. The Citizens Against LNG Protest presents 11 main arguments, often with distinct sub-arguments. The Sierra Club Protest runs 71 pages, has 89 exhibits and presents at least 20 separate arguments.

Finally, an eight-day extension of the fifteen-day period for answers to protests will not prejudice the protesters who had a sixty-day period for submission of their protests. Nor is such a brief extension likely to substantially delay consideration and ruling by DOE/FE.
For the reasons stated, Jordan Cove respectfully requests that the filing deadline for answers to protests in this docket be extended to 4:30 p.m. Eastern time on August 29, 2012.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ Beth L. Webb

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