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U.S. Department of Energy (PE-34)
Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, Office of Fossil Energy
Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20585

Re: FE Docket No. 12-32-LNG

Dear Ms. Moore, Mr. Talbert

I am writing in support of the application by Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P. for long-term authorization to export liquefied natural gas produced from domestic and Canadian resources to non-Free Trade Agreement countries. The Jordan Cove project represents an unprecedented economic opportunity for the State of Oregon, and in particular, the South coats Oregon communities.

At \$6 billion, the Jordan Cove project and its associated Pacific Connector Pipeline would be, by dollar value, the largest private sector investments in Oregon. Our Southern Oregon counties are experiencing chronic financial distress from reduced timber harvests that have led to greatly reduced revenues and public services. Southern Oregon cities and counties routinely post unemployment figures higher than the state and national averages.

The Jordan Cove project would provide several key opportunities for Southern Oregon: construction jobs, 150 permanent jobs, local taxes of \$25-30 million, economic development. which is key to using our naturally deep-water port that is under-utilized.

These reasons, and many other reasons stated by similarly interested parties, are why we are asking that you approve Jordan Cove Energy Partners, L.P.'s application to export LNG to non-Free Trade Agreement countries.

Sincerely,

Q. T. Freeman
Chairman