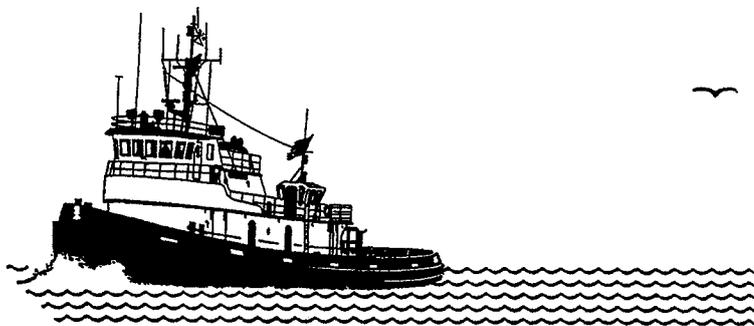


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U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)  
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Re: FE Docket No. 12-32-LNG

Dear Mr. Talbert & Ms. Moore:

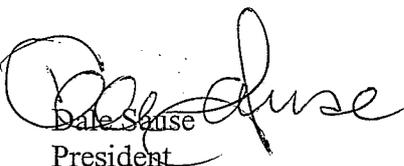
We are writing in support of the application by Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P. (and any other U.S. west coast facility) for long-term authorization to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) produced from domestic and Canadian resources to non-Free Trade Agreement (NFTA) countries. If authorized, the Jordan Cove project would become the first LNG export facility to be constructed on the lower 48 U.S. Pacific coast that would provide access to abundant natural gas supplies being developed in both the U.S. and Canada.

The magnitude of infrastructure required to economically produce LNG requires a large base-load customer, making long-term financial commitments in order to justify the enormous investment required. However, once such a facility is placed in-service incremental expansions can be made to supply the LNG needs of additional, smaller customers. The use of LNG to fuel marine vessels within the North American Environmental Control Area (ECA) will lower both sulfur emissions and the cost of fuel for vessel operators. While the cost of building new LNG fueled vessels is great there will be no significant investment in LNG fueled vessels unless an infrastructure is in place that can provide the LNG at reasonable prices. A world-scale LNG facility, such as Jordan Cove, underpinned financially by export commitments to NFTA customers, provides the major LNG infrastructure that smaller volume LNG domestic users can leverage.

For this reason, we ask that you approve Jordan Cove Energy Partners, L.P.'s application to export LNG to non-Free Trade Agreement countries.

Sincerely,

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President



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