

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. 14-96-LNG]

Alaska LNG Project LLC; Final Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas To Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.**ACTION:** Record of decision.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of a Record of Decision (ROD) published under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and implementing regulations. This ROD supports DOE/FE's decision in DOE/FE Order No. 3643-A, an opinion and order authorizing Alaska LNG Project LLC to export domestically-produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) to non-free trade agreement countries.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 20, 2020, DOE/FE issued Order No. 3643-A to Alaska LNG Project LLC (Alaska LNG) under the Natural Gas Act section 3(a), 15 U.S.C. 717b(a). This Order authorizes Alaska LNG to export LNG produced from Alaskan sources by vessel to any country with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (non-FTA countries). Alaska LNG is authorized to export LNG in a volume equivalent to 929 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year of natural gas (2.55 Bcf/day) from the proposed Alaska LNG Project (Project) to be located in the Nikiski area of the Kenai Peninsula, Alaska.

DOE/FE participated as a cooperating agency with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) analyzing the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project

(including an LNG export terminal, along with the associated facilities and pipeline) that would be used to support the export authorization sought from DOE/FE. DOE adopted the EIS and prepared the ROD, which is attached as an appendix to the Order. The ROD can be found here: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2020/08/f77/ord3643a.pdf>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 3, 2020.

Amy Sweeney,*Director, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Oil and Natural Gas.*

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[Certification Notice—257]

Notice of Filing of Self-Certification of Coal Capability Under the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity, Energy (DOE).**ACTION:** Notice of filing.

SUMMARY: On August 20, 2020, Hill Top Energy Center LLC (HTEC), as owner and operator of a new baseload power plant, submitted a coal capability self-certification to the Department of Energy (DOE). The Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978, as amended, and regulations thereunder require DOE to publish a notice of filing of self-certification in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Copies of coal capability self-certification filings are available for public inspection, upon request, in the Office of Electricity, Mail Code OE-20, Room 8G-024, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 20, 2020, HTEC, as owner and operator of a new baseload power plant, submitted a coal capability self-certification to DOE pursuant to section 201(d) of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 8311(d)), and DOE regulations at 10 CFR 501.61(a). The FUA and regulations thereunder require DOE to publish a notice of filing of self-certification in the **Federal Register** within fifteen days. See 42 U.S.C. 8311(d)(1); 10 CFR 501.61(c). Section 201(a) of the FUA provides that "no new electric powerplant may be constructed or operated as a base load

powerplant without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source." 42 U.S.C. 8311(a). Pursuant to section 201(d) of the FUA, in order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such a facility proposing to use natural gas or petroleum as its primary energy source must certify to the Secretary of Energy (Secretary), prior to construction or prior to operation as a baseload powerplant, that such powerplant has the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel. See 42 U.S.C. 8311(d)(1). Such certification establishes compliance with FUA section 201(a) as of the date it is filed with the Secretary. *Id.*; 10 CFR 501.61(b).

The following owner of a proposed new baseload electric generating powerplant has filed a self-certification of coal-capability with DOE pursuant to FUA section 201(d) and in accordance with DOE regulations at 10 CFR 501.61:

Owner: Hill Top Energy Center LLC.

Design Capacity: 620 megawatts (MW).

Plant Location: Carmichael, PA 15320.

In-Service Date: May 2021.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 3, 2020.

Christopher Lawrence,*Program Management Analyst, Office of Electricity.*

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Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on August 25, 2020, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco), Post Office Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, filed a prior notice application pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations under the Natural Gas Act, and Transco's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-426. Transco proposes to abandon a 16-inch supply lateral originating from Eugene Island Block 57, Platform "D" to Ship Shoal Area Block 11, (hereinafter referred to as the Supply Lateral) and appurtenant metering facilities, all in Federal offshore waters, offshore Louisiana. Details of Transco's project are more