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Mr. John D. Schiller, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer
LNG 21
2800 North Loop West, Suite 921
Houston, TX 77092

Re: West Delta Deepwater Port License Application (Docket # MARAD-2019-0095)

Dear Mr. Schiller:

This letter notifies LNG 21 that the Maritime Administration (MARAD) has terminated review of the West Delta Deepwater Port LNG Export Development license application and will not grant any further extensions of the application review.

The deepwater port license application was received on August 28, 2019. At LNG 21's request, the license review was initially suspended on December 12, 2019. Since then, MARAD and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) have granted eight additional extensions. On April 10, 2024, MARAD issued a final license application review suspension set to expire on December 31, 2024. MARAD's decision to grant a final extension was supported by the USCG's recommendation, issued on January 8, 2024, under 33 CFR § 148.107(c)(3).

On December 12, 2024, LNG 21 requested another extension until June 1, 2025. On December 31, 2024, MARAD denied LNG 21's request for an extension. On January 13, 2025, LNG 21 requested reconsideration. Finally, on March 24, 2025, MARAD sent a letter to LNG 21 explaining its reconsideration of the extension of the final deepwater port license application review suspension. In that letter, MARAD required an update on or before June 24, 2025, and the submission of a complete and amended deepwater port license application on or before September 24, 2025, to continue the application's consideration. MARAD also clarified that West Delta LNG/LNG 21's failure to submit an amended application by September 24, 2025, would result in the application's denial in accordance with 33 CFR §148.107(c).

LNG 21 did not submit the required amended deepwater port license application by September 24, 2025. Accordingly, MARAD no longer considers the West Delta Deepwater Port application to be an active project and has terminated its review of the application.

Please contact Mr. Brian Barton, Transportation Industry Analyst, Office of Deepwater Port Licensing & Port Conveyance, at (202) 366-0302, or by email at Brian.Barton@dot.gov with any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,



James O. Simmons
Director, Office of Deepwater Port
Licensing & Port Conveyance

Enclosure: (1) April 10, 2024 – MARAD Final Suspension
(2) December 12, 2024 – LNG 21 Request for Extension
(3) December 31, 2024 – MARAD Denial of Extension Request
(4) January 13, 2025 – LNG 21 Request for Reconsideration
(5) March 24, 2025 – MARAD Extension of Final Suspension

cc: Docket # MARAD-2019-0095
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