

In support of the extension request, Lake Charles LNG Export asserts that it is unable to meet the current commencement of export operations deadline due to circumstances outside of its control. Lake Charles LNG Export further states that, on April 11, 2025, it (together with its affiliates Lake Charles LNG Company, LLC and Trunkline Gas Company, LLC, and collectively, Lake Charles LNG Export) applied to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for an extension of the existing FERC construction deadline for the Lake Charles LNG Liquefaction Project and related Pipeline Modifications Project (collectively, Projects) to December 31, 2031 (the same date as the requested extension in this proceeding).⁶ DOE takes administrative notice that, on May 8, 2025, FERC issued a letter order granting Lake Charles LNG Export's requested extension of time "until and including December 31, 2031," to construct the Projects and make them available for service.⁷

In the Extension Application, Lake Charles LNG Export also identifies the actions it has taken to advance the Liquefaction Project and to continue construction. Lake Charles LNG Export maintains that it requests only "a change in the timing" to commence export operations and "does not request any changes to the nature of the Project."⁸

Additional details can be found in the Extension Application, posted on the DOE website at: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2025-04/Lake;%20Charles;%20LNG;%20Export;%20DOE;%20Extension;%20Application;%20April%2017%202025.pdf>.

DOE Evaluation

In reviewing the Extension Application, DOE will consider any issues required by law or policy under NGA section 3(a), DOE's regulations, and any other documents deemed appropriate.

Parties that may oppose the Extension Application should address these issues and documents in their comments and/or protests, as well as other issues deemed relevant to the Extension Application.

of Operations Deadline and Request for Expedited Action, Docket Nos. 13–04–LNG and 16–109–LNG, at 1 (Apr. 17, 2025) [hereinafter Ext. App.] (requesting that DOE approve the Extension Application on or before June 16, 2025).

⁶ See Ext. App. at 20.

⁷ *Lake Charles LNG Co., LLC, et al.*, Letter Order, FERC Docket Nos. CP14–119, *et al.* (May 8, 2025), https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/filelist?accession_num=20250508-3019 (granting request for extension of time).

⁸ Ext. App. at 33.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, requires DOE to give appropriate consideration to the environmental effects of its proposed decisions. No final decision will be issued in this proceeding until DOE has met its environmental responsibilities.

Public Comment Procedures

In response to this Notice, any person may file a protest, comments, or a motion to intervene or notice of intervention, as applicable, addressing the Extension Application. Interested parties will be provided 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice in which to submit comments, protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention. The public previously was given an opportunity to intervene in, protest, and comment on Lake Charles LNG Export's long-term non-FTA applications in Docket Nos. 13–04–LNG and 16–109–LNG. Therefore, DOE will not consider comments or protests that do not bear directly on the Extension Application.

Any person wishing to become a party to this proceeding evaluating the Extension Application must file a motion to intervene or notice of intervention.⁹ The filing of comments or a protest with respect to the Extension Application will not serve to make the commenter or protestant a party to this proceeding, although protests and comments received from persons who are not parties will be considered in determining the appropriate action to be taken on the Extension Application. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by DOE's regulations in 10 CFR part 590, including the service requirements.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods:

- (1) Submitting the filing electronically at fergas@hq.doe.gov;
- (2) Mailing the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section; or
- (3) Hand delivering the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

For administrative efficiency, DOE prefers filings to be filed electronically. All filings must include a reference to

⁹ Status as an intervenor in prior proceeding(s) in the Lake Charles LNG Export dockets does not continue to this proceeding evaluating the Extension Application, and therefore any person interested in intervening to address the Extension Application must file a new motion to intervene (or notice of intervention, as applicable). 10 CFR 590.303.

"Docket Nos. 13–04–LNG and 16–109–LNG" or "Lake Charles LNG Export Company, LLC Extension Application" in the title line.

For electronic submissions: Please include all related documents and attachments (e.g., exhibits) in the original email correspondence. Please do not include any active hyperlinks or password protection in any of the documents or attachments related to the filing. All electronic filings submitted to DOE must follow these guidelines to ensure that all documents are filed in a timely manner.

The Extension Application, and any filed protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and comments will be available electronically on the DOE website at www.energy.gov/fecm/regulation.

A decisional record on the Extension Application will be developed through responses to this Notice by parties, including the parties' written comments and replies thereto. Additional procedures will be used as necessary to achieve a complete understanding of the facts and issues. If an additional procedure is scheduled, notice will be provided to all parties. If no party requests additional procedures, a final Order may be issued based on the official record, including the Extension Application and responses filed by parties pursuant to this Notice, in accordance with 10 CFR 590.316.

Signed in Washington, DC, on May 27, 2025.

Amy Sweeney,

Director, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Resource Sustainability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 420–115]

City of Ketchikan, Alaska; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (Pad), Commencement of ILP Pre-Filing Process and Scoping, Request for Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New License and Commencing Pre-filing Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 420–115.

c. *Dated Filed:* March 31, 2025.

d. *Submitted By*: Ketchikan Public Utilities (KPU), on behalf of the City of Ketchikan, Alaska.

e. *Name of Project*: Ketchikan Lakes Hydroelectric Project (Ketchikan Lakes Project or project).

f. *Location*: The project is located on Ketchikan Creek and Granite Basin Creek, in the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Alaska.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: 18 CFR part 5 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Applicant Contact*: Jennifer Holstrom, Regulatory Compliance Manager, Ketchikan Public Utilities, 1065 Fair Street, Ketchikan, AK 99901; phone: (907) 228-4733; email at JenniferHolstrom@ketchikan.gov.

i. *FERC Contact*: Amy Chang, (202) 502-6150 or email at amy.chang@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies*: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item o below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See* 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. *With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with*: (a) the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402; (b) NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920; and (c) the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating KPU as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. KPU filed with the Commission a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule), pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD is available for review on the Commission's website (<http://www.ferc.gov>), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits

of the sub-docket in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). A copy is also available via the contact in paragraph h.

You may register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595, or at OPP@ferc.gov.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and Commission staff's Scoping Document 1 (SD1), as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application must be filed with the Commission.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file documents using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Ketchikan Lakes Hydroelectric Project (P-420-115).

All filings with the Commission must bear the appropriate heading: "Comments on Pre-Application Document," "Study Requests," "Comments on Scoping Document 1," "Request for Cooperating Agency Status," or "Communications to and from Commission Staff." Any individual or entity interested in submitting study requests, commenting on the PAD or SD1, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, July 28, 2025.

p. Scoping Process

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Commission staff will prepare either an environmental assessment (EA) or an environmental impact statement (EIS) (collectively referred to as the "NEPA document"). The NEPA document will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental effects, and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. The Commission's scoping process will help determine the required level of analysis and satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether the Commission prepares an EA or EIS.

Scoping Meetings

Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings for the project to receive input on the scope of the NEPA document. An evening meeting will focus on receiving input from the public and a daytime meeting will focus on concerns of resource agencies, Native American tribes, and non-governmental organizations (NGO). We invite all interested agencies, Native American tribes, NGOs, and the public to attend one or both meetings to assist us in identifying the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the NEPA document. The dates and times of the scoping meetings are listed below.

Daytime Scoping Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2025.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time (AKDT).

Location: Ted Ferry Civic Center, 888 Venetia Avenue, Ketchikan, AK 99901.

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2025.

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. AKDT.

Location: Ted Ferry Civic Center, 888 Venetia Avenue, Ketchikan, AK 99901.

Copies of SD1, outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list and KPU's PAD distribution list. Copies of SD1 may be viewed on the web at <http://>

www.ferc.gov, using the “eLibrary” link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

Environmental Site Visit

KPU and Commission staff will conduct an environmental site visit of the Ketchikan Lakes Project on Thursday, June 26, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. AKDT.

The site review will begin at KPU’s office, 1065 Fair Street, Ketchikan, AK 99901 and will visit several locations to view the project.

All interested individuals, agencies, Tribes, and NGOs are invited to attend. Participants should meet at 9:00 a.m. at KPU’s office located at 1065 Fair Street, Ketchikan, AK. Please contact Cory Warnock at (360) 739-0187 or via email at warnock@mcmillen.com or Jeanette Ayala at ayala@mcmillen.com on or before June 10, 2025, if you plan to attend the site review.

Meeting Procedures

Agencies, Tribes, NGOs, and individuals with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the NEPA document. At the start of each meeting, Commission staff will provide a brief overview of the meeting format and objectives. Individual oral comments will be taken on a one-on-one basis with a court reporter (with Commission staff present). This format is designed to receive the maximum number of oral comments in a convenient way during the timeframe allotted. If you wish to speak, Commission staff will hand out numbers in the order of your arrival. If all individuals who wish to provide comments have had an opportunity to do so, Commission staff may conclude the meeting a half hour earlier than the scheduled time. Please see appendix C of the SD1 for additional information on the session format and conduct.¹

Scoping comments will be recorded by the court reporter and become part of the public record for this proceeding. Transcripts will be publicly available on FERC’s eLibrary system. If a significant number of people are interested in

providing oral comments in the one-on-one settings, a time limit may be implemented for each commentor.

It is important to note that the Commission provides equal consideration to all comments received, whether filed in writing or provided orally at a scoping session. Although there will not be a formal presentation, Commission staff will be available throughout the scoping meeting(s) to answer your questions about the environmental review process. Representatives from KPU will also be present to answer project-specific questions.

Dated: May 27, 2025.

Carlos D. Clay,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP25-491-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission, LP; Notice of Application and Establishing Intervention Deadline

Take notice that on May 15, 2025, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern), 915 N. Eldridge Pkwy, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77079-2703, filed an application under sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission’s regulations requesting authorization for its Appalachia to Market III Project (Project). The Project proposes to (i) take-up approximately 1.95 miles of 24-inch-diameter idled Line 1 pipeline in Adams and York counties, Pennsylvania and relay approximately 2.0 miles of 36-inch-diameter pipeline (Line 1 Pipeline) adjacent to and south of Texas Eastern’s existing Line 2 pipeline; (ii) abandon and remove an existing receiver at Texas Eastern’s Bakers Watering Trough Valve Site at the western terminus of the Line 1 Pipeline; (iii) construct a new receiver, 36-inch-diameter valve, and 30-inch-diameter crossover at the eastern terminus of the Line 1 Pipeline; (iv) modify its Bedford Compressor Station in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, by uprating the existing electric motor driven (EMD) compressor unit 13E from 26,000 horsepower (hp) to 35,500 hp, installing a new emergency shut down gas conditioning skid, and changing impellers on the existing EMD compressor units 11E and 12E; and (v) install related appurtenances. The Project will provide up to 32,000

dekatherms per day of additional firm natural gas transportation service from the Appalachian supply basin in southwest Pennsylvania to meet the needs of two existing local distribution company customers in Pennsylvania and Delaware. Texas Eastern estimates the total cost of the Project to be \$42,211,930 and proposes to charge initial incremental recourse rates, incremental electric power cost rates, and the applicable system fuel percentage, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission’s Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>). From the Commission’s Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field.

User assistance is available for eLibrary and the Commission’s website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at (202) 502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at public.referenceroom@ferc.gov.

Any questions regarding the proposed project should be directed to Brian Kim, Manager, Rates and Certificates, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, by phone at (713) 627-4186, or by email at brian.kim@enbridge.com.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure,¹ within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental review and place it into the Commission’s public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff’s issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or environmental assessment (EA) for this proposal. The filing of an EA in the

¹ The appendix referenced in this notice will not appear in the **Federal Register**. Copies of the appendix were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail and are available at www.ferc.gov using the “eLibrary” link. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or (866) 208-3676 (toll free) or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

¹ 18 CFR 157.9.