

issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties. See App. at Exhibit C.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the Application at *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov*. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov* in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214).

Comments and other filings concerning DMG's Application should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-530. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Sheldon Bennett, DMG Blockchain Solutions Inc., 4193 104 St., Delta, BC, V4G 1K2, Canada, *sheldon@dmgblockchain.com* and Carey Veinotte, Bojm, Funt & Gibbons LLP, 505—1168 Hamilton St., Vancouver BC V6B 2S2, *cveinotte@bfg-law.ca*.

A final decision will be made on the requested authorization after DOE reviews the action pursuant to its National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (June 2025), including 10 CFR part 1021, and after DOE evaluates whether the proposed action will have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the United States electric power supply system.

Copies of this Application will be made available, upon request, by accessing the program website at *www.energy.gov/gdo/pending-applications-0* or by emailing *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov*.

#### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on February 19, 2026, by Catherine Jereza, Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE **Federal Register** Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC on March 19, 2026.

**Treana V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-529]

#### Application for Authorization To Export Electric Energy; GB II New York LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** GB II New York LLC (Applicant) has applied for authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before April 22, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed by electronic mail to *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christina Gomer, (240) 474-2403, *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Department of Energy (DOE) regulates electricity exports from the United States to foreign countries in accordance with section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)) and regulations thereunder (10 CFR 205.300 *et seq.*). Sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)) transferred this regulatory authority, previously exercised by the now-defunct Federal Power Commission, to DOE.

Section 202(e) of the FPA provides that an entity which seeks to export electricity must obtain an order from DOE authorizing that export (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)). On January 8, 2026, the authority to issue such orders was delegated to the DOE's Assistant Secretary for Electricity by Redefinition Order No. S3-DEL-OE1-2026.

On November 5, 2025, GB II New York LLC filed an application with DOE (Application or App.) for authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada for a term of five years. App. at 2.

According to the Application, GB II New York LLC is a "Delaware corporation that owns and operates an

817 [megawatt] (summer rating) natural gas-fired generation facility located in Glenmont, New York" and that the Applicant is an "exempt wholesale generator that has been granted authorized by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ('FERC') to make sales at market-based rates." App. at 2. GB II New York LLC further represents that it is an indirect subsidiary of Alpha Generation, LLC, which "in turn, is a majority subsidiary of ArcLight Energy Partners Fund VII, L.P." *Id.* at 3.

GB II New York LLC seeks authorization to transmit electric energy to Canada, as it "has entered into a contractual arrangement to sell 'installed capacity' and associated energy into Canada." App. at 4. The Applicant further states that "the energy that is associated with this commitment of installed capacity must be linked to the specific electric generating facility owned by the Applicant and . . . the output of such facility has not been committed to any system or purchaser within the United States." *Id.* at 5. Due to these commitments, the Applicant contends that its "proposed electricity exports will not impair or impede the sufficiency of electric power supplies in the United States or the regional coordination of electric utility planning or operations." *Id.* GB II New York LLC affirms it will continue to make "all necessary commercial arrangements and . . . regulatory approvals required in order to carry out any electricity exports," including scheduling with all appropriate balancing authorities and compliance with the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) reliability standards and guidelines. *Id.* at 5-6.

The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have been previously authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties. See App. at Exhibit C.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the Application at *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov*. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov* in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214).

Comments and other filings concerning the Application should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-

529. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Jason Buchman, Alpha Generation LLC, 700 Louisiana Street Suite 4400, Houston, Texas 77002, [jbuchman@alphagen.com](mailto:jbuchman@alphagen.com) and Neil L. Levy, McDermott Will & Schulte LLP, 500 North Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20001, [nlevy@mwe.com](mailto:nlevy@mwe.com).

A final decision will be made on the requested authorization after DOE reviews the action pursuant to its National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (June 2025), including 10 CFR part 1021, and after DOE evaluates whether the proposed action will have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the United States electric power supply system.

Copies of this Application will be made available, upon request, by accessing the program website at [www.energy.gov/gdo/pending-applications-0](http://www.energy.gov/gdo/pending-applications-0) or by emailing [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov).

**Signing Authority:** This document of the Department of Energy was signed on February 19, 2026, by Catherine Jereza, Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE **Federal Register** Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC on March 19, 2026.

**Treena V. Garrett,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. 15-190-LNG]

### Rio Grande LNG, LLC, Rio Grande LNG Train 4, LLC, & Rio Grande LNG Train 5, LLC; Request for Extension of Non-FTA Authorization Export Commencement Deadline

**AGENCY:** Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of request.

**SUMMARY:** The Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office (HGEO)

(formerly the Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM)) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice (Notice) of receipt of a request (Request), filed by Rio Grande LNG, LLC, Rio Grande LNG Train 4, LLC, and Rio Grande LNG Train 5, LLC (collectively, the “RGLNG Entities”) on February 27, 2026. The RGLNG Entities ask DOE to amend their existing authorization to export domestically produced liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the proposed Rio Grande LNG Terminal (Terminal), currently under construction in Cameron County, Texas, to non-free trade agreement countries set forth in DOE/FE Order No. 4492 (as amended)—specifically, to extend their current export commencement deadline. The RGLNG Entities filed the Request under the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

**DATES:** Protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention, as applicable, and written comments are to be filed electronically as detailed in the Public Comment Procedures section no later than 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, April 22, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Electronic Filing by email (Strongly encouraged):* [fergas@hq.doe.gov](mailto:fergas@hq.doe.gov).

*Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Private Delivery Services (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.), U.S. Department of Energy (EX-34), Office of Global Energy Security, Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-056, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.*

Due to potential delays in DOE’s receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, we encourage respondents to submit filings electronically to ensure timely receipt.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jennifer Wade or Peri Ulrey, U.S. Department of Energy (EX-34), Office of Global Energy Security, Office of Strategic Resources, Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4749 or (202) 586-7893, [jennifer.wade@hq.doe.gov](mailto:jennifer.wade@hq.doe.gov) or [peri.ulrey@hq.doe.gov](mailto:peri.ulrey@hq.doe.gov).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On February 10, 2020, in DOE/FE Order No.

4492, as amended,<sup>1</sup> DOE’s Office of Fossil Energy (now known as the Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office)<sup>2</sup> authorized the RGLNG Entities to export domestically produced LNG, in a volume equivalent to 1,318 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per year (Bcf/yr) of natural gas, by vessel from the proposed Terminal to any country with which the United States does not have a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas, which currently has or in the future develops the capacity to import LNG, and with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (non-FTA countries), pursuant to NGA section 3(a).<sup>3</sup> The RGLNG Entities are authorized to export this LNG for a term extending through December 31, 2050.<sup>4</sup>

As relevant here, Order No. 4492 requires the RGLNG Entities to “commence export operations using the planned Rio Grande LNG Facility no later than seven years from the date of issuance of this Order”—*i.e.*, by February 10, 2027.<sup>5</sup> In the Request, the RGLNG Entities ask DOE to extend the export commencement deadline set forth in Order No. 4492 to September 30, 2027.<sup>6</sup>

In support of their Request, the RGLNG Entities state that they “have made significant progress with regard to the development of the Rio Grande LNG Terminal, including satisfying key financial, commercial and construction milestones.”<sup>7</sup> The RGLNG Entities note that, “[d]espite these substantial milestones, [they] encountered circumstances beyond their control, which may prevent [them] from commencing LNG export operations prior to the deadline set forth in [their] Non-FTA Authorization.”<sup>8</sup> The RGLNG

<sup>1</sup> *Rio Grande LNG, LLC, et al.*, DOE/FE Order No. 4492, Docket No. 15-190-LNG, Opinion and Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations (Feb. 10, 2020), *amended by* DOE/FE Order No. 4492-A (Oct. 21, 2020) (extending export term), *further amended by* DOE/FECM Order No. 4492-B (Aug. 20, 2025) (adding authorization holders so that the RGLNG Entities collectively hold the authorization).

<sup>2</sup> The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) changed its name to FECM on July 4, 2021. Subsequently, on November 20, 2025, FECM changed its name to HGEO. DOE uses the acronym in effect at the time of each order or action discussed herein.

<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 717b(a).

<sup>4</sup> See DOE/FE Order No. 4492-A, at 9-10 (Ordering Para. B).

<sup>5</sup> DOE/FE Order No. 4492, at 60 (Ordering Para. D).

<sup>6</sup> See *Rio Grande LNG, LLC, et al.*, Request for Extension of Non-FTA Authorization Export Commencement Deadline, Docket No. 15-190-LNG, at 2, 6 (Feb. 27, 2026) [hereinafter Request].

<sup>7</sup> Request at 2.

<sup>8</sup> *Id.* at 3.