TEXASLNG-TRAIN #1



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Application Date 11/8/2017

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<u>Texas LNG</u>

<u>700 Louisiana Street, Suite 3950</u>

Houston, TX 77002

Local address (if different than above):
Royston, Rayzor, Vickery & Williams, LLP
Keith N. Uhles
Partner
55 Cove Circle
Brownsville, TX 78521

Local Phone Number: (956) 542-4377 E-Mail: keith.uhles@roystonlaw.com

Local Fax Number: (356) 542-4370 Annual Sales: 0

State of Incorporation: Delaware Years in Cameron County: 0

Total number of employees worldwide: 7 Total number of employees in Texas: 7

Total number of employees in Cameron County: 0

Name and Address of Registered Agent: See local address above

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Amended?

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If yes, attach a letter requesting and justifying the variance and include documentation to support the requested variance.

Part III. Economic Information

Construction Estimate:		
Start Date 2019 Contract Amount	Train 1: \$1.5 billion (esti	mate)
Completion Date 2023	Peak Construction Jobs	<u>Train 1: 1,100</u>
Construction Man-Years Train1: 1920		
If Modernization: <u>NA</u>		
Estimated current economic life of structu	ure NA	years
Added economic life of structure NA		years
Permanent Job Creation/Retention of exist	sting permanent jobs in Ca	ameron County:
Current employment NA		
Jobs to be retained NA		

Estimated Appraisal Value on Site	Land	Improvements	Total
Value on January 1 preceding abatement (per CCAD records and account number)	0	0	0
Estimated value of new abatable investment: -Building	0	300,000,000	300,000,000
Estimated value of new abatable investment: -Fixed and in place machinery & equipment	0	700,000,000	700,000,000
Estimated value not subject to abatement (e.g., inventory)	0	17,000,000	17,000,000
Estimated value of property subject to ad valorem tax at end of abatement	0	739,000,000	739,000,000

Part IV. Copies of resolutions required

Jobs to be created 80

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Signature of Applicant's Authorized Company Official tendering this Application for Tax

Abatement: /s/ Keith N. Uhles (Application must be signed)

Date Signature signed above: 11/8/2017

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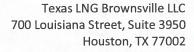
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November 8, 2017

Cameron County Economic Development & Community Affairs Department Cameron County Historic Courthouse 1100 E. Monroe, Suite 105 Brownsville, Texas 78520

TEXAS LNG NARRATIVE & SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Introduction to Texas LNG

Texas LNG Brownsville LLC ("Texas LNG") is an independent, Houston-based developer of a start-up, greenfield liquefied natural gas ("LNG") project, providing customers access to the full LNG Value chain. Texas LNG proposes to construct its facility in South Texas on a 625-acre site strategically located on the Port of Brownsville's deepwater ship channel near plentiful natural gas supplies and pipelines.

The facility will enable the export of 4 million tonnes per annum (MTA) of LNG to established and developing markets. The facility will be built in 2 phases – each phase having 1 LNG train with a 2 million tonne per annum ("MTA") capacity.

The Texas LNG team comprises leading technical, commercial, financial, environmental, and legal experts including Samsung Engineering, KBR, Braemar Technical Services, Air Products and Chemicals, Honeywell, Third Point LLC, BNP Paribas, Environmental Resources Management (ERM), K&L Gates, Greenberg Traurig, Andrews Kurth Kenyon LLP, and Royston Rayzor. Samsung Engineering Co., Ltd. is a minority equity owner in Texas LNG and strategic partner responsible for engineering, construction, and procurement.

Founded in 2013, Texas LNG has harnessed an engineering team of recognized industry leaders. Texas LNG's headquarters is based in Houston, Texas, and the company's executive management is comprised of the following individuals:

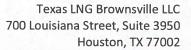
- Founder & Chief Executive Officer Vivek Chandra
- Founder & Chief Operating Officer & Chief Financial Officer Langtry Meyer

Executive biographies may be found at www.texaslng.com/about/management.html.

Reasons for Seeking Abatement

Texas LNG is seeking a Chapter 312 tax abatement from Cameron County to ensure economic viability of the liquefaction facility during a period of unprecedented competitive challenges in the global LNG market. Texas LNG strongly believes this abatement—and other regional tax incentives—are essential and in the public interest due to the project's significant economic benefits through its impact on employment, workforce training, and regional infrastructure enhancements.

Despite favorable long-term factors supporting the Texas LNG Project, the company faces significant near-term headwinds and intense price pressure. As background to understanding these challenges and the importance of tax incentives: the Texas LNG Project will be funded through "project





finance," a form of capital where lenders and investors rely exclusively on the Project's stand-alone economics, *i.e.*, there is no support from a strong corporate balance sheet. Providers of project finance capital require long-term sales contracts from credit-worthy customers—typically with terms of 15-20 years.

Customers have delayed entering into long-term commitments due to the current over-supply of LNG in the global market, while low, volatile oil prices further contribute to put pressure on LNG prices. Abundant liquefaction supply has entered the global market with new facilities in Australia, Papua New Guinea, and Qatar. Further, within the next several years, U.S. export facilities will significantly add to global supply. Exacerbating this condition of over-supply, demand growth in key markets (Japan and China) has fallen short of expectations. The market is expected to rebalance in the early 2020s, as the Texas LNG liquefaction facility enters commercial operations, but the current over- supply has created severe pressure on pricing.

Over-supply in the global oil market also drives down LNG pricing and discourages customers from entering into long-term purchase contracts. Much of the world's LNG is priced based on an oil index (especially in Asia). This benefits LNG buyers today, who increasingly source their LNG through short-term ("spot") purchases as opposed to long-term purchase commitments. Together, these near-term forces—a supply/demand imbalance in the global LNG market and low oil prices—create intense price pressure on proposed LNG liquefaction projects: tax incentives are an essential factor in equalizing a projects' competitiveness for US exporters.

The Texas LNG liquefaction facility is one of several U.S. projects in the development stage which include competing projects along the Gulf Coast. These Gulf Coast projects currently benefit from tax abatements. For example, Louisiana projects receive benefit from 10-year statutory exemptions from property taxes, and incentives related to wage rebates and sales tax. All LNG projects currently under construction in Texas have received tax abatements from the applicable taxing jurisdictions. Texas LNG believes that maximum tax incentives are essential to compete with other liquefaction projects.

Project developers face site-specific advantages and disadvantages for any project location. For example, Texas LNG values the proposed location due to Cameron County's availability of a skilled workforce and the attractiveness of the deepwater port supported by an experienced engineering management team. However, project-specific costs create great pressure for cost reductions in other areas. Property tax value limitations are therefore essential to the Project's viability.

Texas LNG believes that its facility in the Port of Brownsville will bring considerable benefits to Cameron County and the broader region. First, as described below, the liquefaction facility will generate job creation—both through a 44 month construction period and long-term operations for twenty years beginning in 2023. (Note: Texas LNG is requesting a variance to Section II (2) of the guidelines and criteria since it is too early in the planning stages to determine the percentage of economically disadvantaged individuals.) The many interconnecting pipelines effectively connect the region's economy to Texas's enormous oil and gas reserves located in the Eagle Ford and Permian basins. Notably, since the facility's sales will be supported by long-term contracts, its commercial activity will be insulated from volatility in commodity prices.

Second, construction and operation of the liquefaction facility will support workforce development activities for the region. Many of the county's workers will benefit from training and experience at the Texas LNG facility.

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Third, the region will benefit from significant infrastructure enhancements. Texas LNG will receive feed gas from an expanded intrastate pipeline currently under construction. Texas LNG is also working with AEP to design and construct a 138-kV power line to the facility, which is expected to have spare capacity to support regional growth. All of these activities have (or will be) considered for inclusion in the project budget, on either a full or partial basis.

Texas LNG's facility also supports the Port of Brownsville's ("POB") plan to enhance the ship channel to accommodate deeper draft ships. In 2006, the Brownsville Navigation District ("BND") and the POB began a feasibility study with the United States Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") to assess the deepening and widening of the POB channel. The POB expects to commence channel construction shortly after any one of the Brownsville LNG projects reaches Final Investment Decision ("FID"). Thus, the POB deepening will be completed as a result of Texas LNG's project reaching FID.

Texas LNG is considering several potential sites for its major natural gas liquefaction project—within and outside Texas. All property tax incentives are determining factors for the Project as evidenced by: (1) adverse market conditions, (2) availability of incentives for competitors, (3) site-specific considerations, (4) Texas LNG's ongoing assessment of and ability to develop alternative sites outside of Texas, and (5) the Company's consistent disclosure of the necessity of tax incentive.

Project Description

Texas LNG will be located on the north side of the deepwater Brownsville ship channel, on an approximately 625-acre parcel of land inside the Port of Brownsville, exclusively available through a lease option agreement between Texas LNG and the Port of Brownsville authorities. The location has an extensive waterfront to the Brownsville ship channel capable of accommodating conventional Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) carriers, and is approximately 5 miles along the deepwater channel to the Gulf of Mexico. The Brownsville - Port Isabel highway (Texas state highway 48, a 4-lane divided road) runs along the northwest boundary of the site.

Texas LNG will construct, own, and operate the LNG liquefaction facility to be constructed at the Port of Brownsville in Brownsville, Texas. The facility will have a planned capacity to produce 2 MTA permitted capacity of LNG from approximately 355 MMcf/d of feed gas sourced from the extensive US natural gas system (Train 1). Train 2, to be developed at a later date, will increase capacity by additional 2 MTA permitted capacity.

Currently, Texas LNG has acquired an option to enter into a long-term site lease from the POB. If the facility proceeds to construction, Texas LNG will enter into the site lease. The parties have commenced in several discussions to develop the terms of the underlying lease agreement.

A Tax Abatement is requested on all the proposed new improvements and equipment associated with this Project as described below. The proposed project primarily consists of property classified by Cameron Central Appraisal District as real estate improvements except for associated personal property, as described below.

Final Investment Decision ("FID") is expected to occur 2H 2018 and start-up is anticipated in 2023. In addition to supporting utilities, infrastructure, and control-safety flare systems, the proposed development will include construction of the following major LNG installations:

• Approximately 355 MMcfd per train of natural gas at 615 psig from a receiving and interconnection station tied into an intrastate pipeline.



- · Gas pre-treatment facilities.
- Fully commissioned liquefaction trains for Trains 1 & 2, each to be equipped with:
 proprietary propane precooled mixed refrigerant technology ("C3MR"); and a main
 cryogenic heat exchanger ("MCHE") from Air Products & Chemicals Inc. ("APCI"). This is the
 most widely used liquefaction process in operation globally, and is the standard used by
 major LNG producers such as Shell, Exxon, Qatar petroleum, Total, and others.
- One-210,000 cubic meter aboveground single-containment LNG storage tank for Train 1 and an additional albeit smaller tank subsequently constructed for Train 2, both with cryogenic pipeline connections to the liquefaction plant and to the berthing dock to load LNG ships at a design rate of 12,000 m3/hr.
- An LNG ship dock area equipped to receive LNG ships with capacities between 138,000-180,000 cubic meters.
- A materials-offloading facility ("MOF") to enable ongoing waterborne deliveries of construction materials and temporary mooring of tug boats while an LNG ship is at berth during operations.
- A recessed maneuvering basin extending into the Brownsville Ship Channel that provides deep-water access to the LNG ship berthing dock and allows for LNG ship turnaround.

Additional real property includes buildings for site operations:

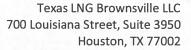
- Security / gate house building;
- Administrative building,
- Central control building,
- Workshop,
- Warehouse Truck receiving terminal for delivery of refrigerant and storage of refrigerants
 (Ethylene & Propane) in mounded storage tanks, and
- Delivery and storage of other process chemicals (e.g., amine for acid gas removal).

The Project's tangible personal property includes:

- Consumables,
- Equipment spares,
- · Emergency response equipment,
- Environmental monitoring equipment, and
- Security monitoring equipment.

Although not specifically described above, this application is intended to include all structural elements and equipment necessary for the safe, economical manufacture of LNG such as concrete foundations, pipe supports, piping, instrumentation, power feeds, control loops, safety systems, fire water protection, pollution control equipment, insulation, and utilities.

Texas LNG has completed the facility's front-end engineering design activities with Samsung Engineering. However, the cost estimation process will be ongoing with the soon to be formalized





joint venture ("JV") between Samsung Engineering and KBR. The JV will perform the pre-FID detailed engineering work. That work will eventually culminate into a guaranteed lump sum turnkey EPC contract.

It is currently estimated that the project capital investment will be in the \$1 billion range, but this amount is subject to change through design modifications, changes in prevailing contractor and equipment costs, and construction timing.

Timing for commencement of construction activities depends on completion of regulatory and permitting milestones, detailed design activities, consummation of customer contracts, availability of financing, and receipt of all available tax incentives. It is anticipated that Train 1 will achieve initial 2 MTA LNG production in 2023 and full, commercial operations would follow for Train 2, another 2 MTA, as the market permits.

Texas LNG is committed to minimizing the facility's impact on the community's health, safety, and environment ("HSE"). Braemar Engineering (Texas LNG's owner's engineer), Samsung Engineering and KBR have excellent track records in this area.

Texas LNG filed its formal application for approval to construct and operate the facility with the FERC in March 2016. As a part of this application, it undertook extensive analysis of the project's HSE impact. Texas LNG believes the FERC approval process will find that the facility complies with all applicable HSE laws and regulations. Due to the complexity of these matters, Texas LNG respectfully refers the reader to the project's FERC filings available online at www.elibrary.ferc.gov; docket number is CP16-116-000.

Jobs

Train1 Construction

The estimated increase in economic activity during the three-year construction period for Train 1 is more than \$250 million and will add approximately 3% to the county's current GRP and an average of 600 jobs per year with a peak of over 1,000 jobs. The estimated payroll compensation during construction is approximately \$59 million over the 44 month construction period.

Train 2 Construction

Construction from Phase 2 of the Project will contribute \$97.44 million in value-added to the local economy. Construction from the second phase will add 3.3% to the county's current GRP, 1,766 direct and indirect jobs, and another 309 induced jobs. The direct average salary associated with the construction and capital investment phase is \$52,600, indirect is \$43,600, and induced is \$36,700.

Operations

During the operation phase, the proposed Project will generate about \$310 million of output and will contribute over 3.5% to the county's GRP, which is the market value of all final goods and services produced within the county during the year, and will add a total of 219 permanent jobs (80 direct, 68 indirect and 71 induced). The 80 direct jobs will be high quality jobs which would competitively merit an average hourly rate of over \$25, which represents almost twice the current average hourly rate, however, Texas LNG will offer an average compensation of \$70,000 year to attract a skilled and stable work force.



Downstream Benefits

The Project is anticipated to create numerous positive downstream effects by infusing communities with additional spending power and providing workers with high-skill, high-paying jobs. The Project's contractors will purchase needed products locally (e.g., fuel, building materials, construction supplies). Workers will spend a portion of their earnings in the project area, supporting local economies by purchasing goods and services and paying rents and mortgages, thereby generating indirect socioeconomic benefits for the Cities of Brownsville, Port Isabel, Harlingen, and Matamoros.

Local Workforce

Texas LNG expects a significant portion at least 35 percent) of workers hired for the project to be sourced from within the project area. The project will employ a number of unemployed, underemployed, and recently graduated local residents. Some portion of the construction payroll would be spent locally by both local and non-local workers for the purchase of housing, food, fuel entertainment, and luxury items, etc. Worker spending will also generate state sales tax revenue.

Support of Educational Institutions

Additionally, Texas LNG has taken the lead to coordinate with local institutions of learning to support training for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math ("STEM") jobs. Texas LNG met with the Regional Representative for the Economic Development and Tourism Division of the Governor's Office to discuss the Skills Development Fund--a state program that provides grant monies to community colleges for workforce training needs. Additionally, Texas LNG has visited with Texas State Technical College and Texas Southmost College President to discuss workforce training, curriculum alignment, and the timing of when jobs with specific skillsets will be needed to construct and operate the Texas LNG facility. To further workforce training in South Texas, Texas LNG wrote a letter of support to the Texas House of Representatives Committee on Higher Education to establish an innovative workforce training center in the Rio Grande Valley at Texas Southmost College. At the high school level, Texas LNG in partnership with Brownsville Independent School District's Career & Technical Education Department, has created the STEM Student of the Month initiative, to highlight students who excel in STEM subjects and encourage students to pursue STEM degrees and gain employment in high-skill, high-wage jobs.

Competition with Local Businesses

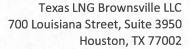
Texas LNG does not foresee any competition with local businesses.

Alternative Site Considerations

While Texas LNG prefers to site its first LNG liquefaction facility in Cameron County, it is developing options in the event that the site is not viable (for economic, technical, or regulatory reasons). For example, it has identified and evaluated other sites in Texas and outside Texas. The site at the Port of Brownsville is preferred due to its scale and infrastructure considerations, but alternative sites are viable and would be reconsidered in the event that the Project's economics are unsatisfactory. The Company believes that a significant portion of its previously incurred development costs can be utilized to defray development costs at an alternative site.

In its communications to third parties and the public, Texas LNG has consistently emphasized the importance of tax incentives for its decision to construct the Project. For example:

 The Project's website both states any development of the project remains contingent "Upon receipt of FERC permits, Texas LNG plans to reach Final Investment Decision (FID) in 2018,





contingent on many factors such as completing the required commercial agreements, securing all necessary permits and approvals, obtaining financing and incentives, and other factors associated with commercial viability of the investment.

• In data requests from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for approval of the Project, the Company stated its estimate of potential tax abatements.

The proposed Project is still in an evaluation stage; only preliminary development activities have begun. The Company acknowledges that it has undertaken certain development and permitting activities, has made public statements about the Project and has hosted meetings in Cameron County to provide information to the public and to address communities' concerns.

Additionally, Texas LNG has entered into contracts for customary development activities such as facility design, environmental analyses, market studies, financial advisory services, and an option to lease the site. Texas LNG has not entered into contracts, which preclude moving the Project to another state, and a considerable portion of development work would be transferable to such alternative site.

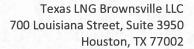
The Company faces a challenging competitive environment for developing the Project and it very much wants to partner with Cameron County to provide a safe, environmentally-responsible facility, which complements existing industries and generates an enormous economic stimulus for the region and state. However, notwithstanding any public statement, ongoing development activity, or any action by DOE or FERC, no final decision to invest in the Project has been made by the Company. The ability to secure available property tax incentives, including a Chapter 312 abatement, is therefore critical to the successful development of the Project.

Lease Agreement

Please see attached lease agreement for a site located at the Port of Brownsville, demonstrating the Company's commitment.

Documentation showing property is located within a reinvestment/enterprise zone

Section 2303.101 of the Texas Administrative Code provides that areas within distressed counties qualify as Enterprise Zones. Section 312.2011 of the Texas Tax Code allows Enterprise Zones under Chapter 2303 to meet the Chapter 312 requirement for establishment of an Enterprise Zone. Please see attached table, indicating that Cameron County qualifies as a Distress County.





Attachments

- Texas LNG Site Metes and Bounds Description
- Proposed Project Facilities
- Proposed Facilities at Terminal Site
- Proposed Temporary Workspace and Laydown Areas
- Cameron CAD Property Details
- Texas LNG Community Brochure
- Texas LNG Certificate of Formation
- Texas LNG Certificate of Good Standing
- Port Lease Option Agreement and, First, Second, and Third Amendment to Port Lease Option Agreement

EXHIBIT "A" TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE, LLC METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTION 625.00 ACRE TRACT

January 14, 2015

BEING a 625.00 Acre Tract of land out of Santa Isabel Grant, Cameron County, Texas, said 625.00 Acre Tract being more fully described as follows;

COMMENCING at the intersection point of U.S.E.D. Station 30+552.57 and the North 6+00 Reference Line from the original centerline of the Brownsville Ship Channel, said point being the Southwest corner of a certain 500.00 Acre Tract, thence along the North 6+00 Reference line from the original centerline of the Brownsville Ship Channel, North 62 deg. 25 min. 27 sec. East, 5,402.16 feet to a point for the Southwest corner and PLACE OF BEGINNING of this tract;

THENCE along the East line of a certain 500.00 Acre Tract, North 31 deg. 28 min. 34 sec. West, 1,582.41 feet to a point for a corner of this tract;

THENCE continuing along the East line of said 500.00 Acre Tract, North 60 deg. 24 min. 32 sec. West, 4,510.94 feet to a point on the East Right-of-Way line of State Highway No.48 (recorded in volume 11459 page 239, Official Deed Records) for the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE along said East Right-of-Way line of State Highway No.48 North 22 deg. 08 min. 24 sec. East, 495.52 feet to a point for a corner of this tract;

THENCE continuing along the East Right-of-Way line of said State Highway No.48, North 18 deg. 59 min. 26 sec. East, 2,300 feet to a point for a corner of this tract;

THENCE continuing along the East Right-of-Way line of said State Highway No.48, North 15 deg. 50 min. 29 sec. East, 1001.44 feet to a point for a corner of this tract;

THENCE continuing along the East Right-of-Way line of said State Highway No. 48, North 18 deg. 59 min. 26 sec. East, 297.95 feet to a point for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE leaving the East Right-of-Way line of said State Highway No.48, South 60 deg. 24 min. 32 sec. East, 4,415.86 feet to a point for a corner of this tract;

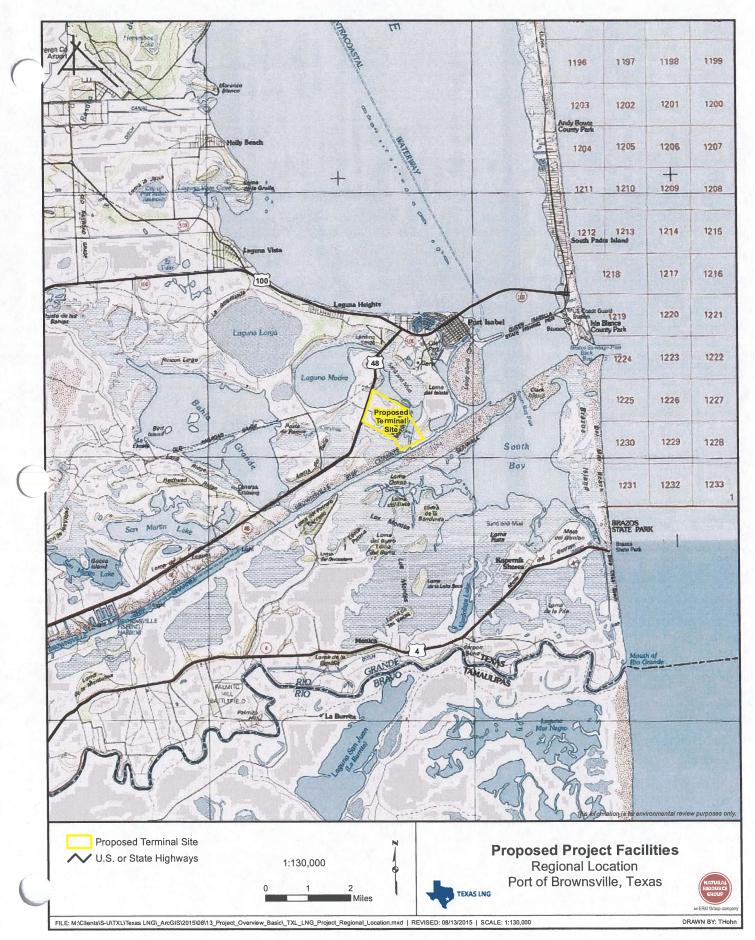
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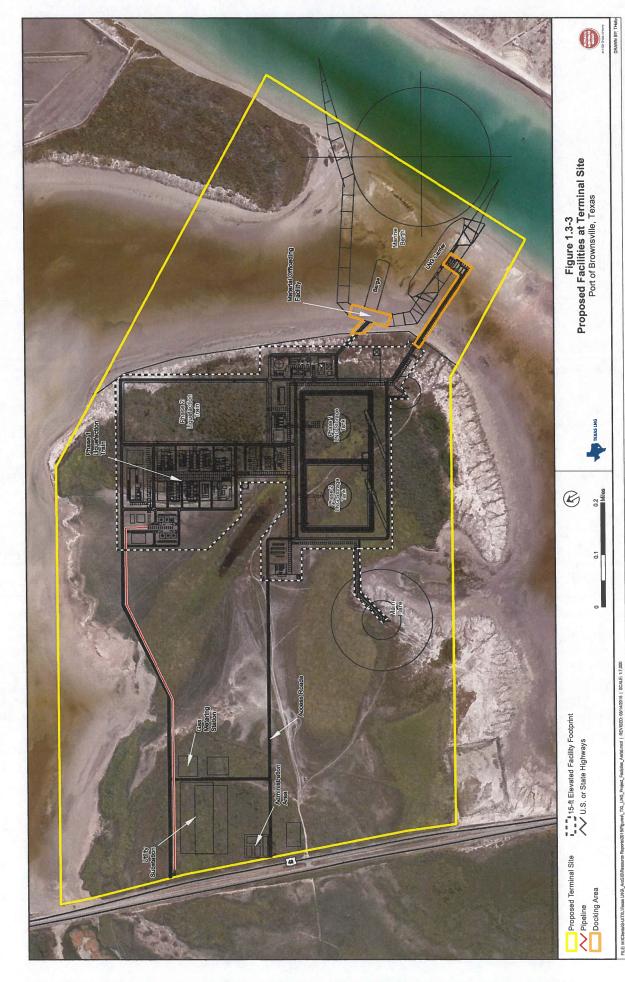
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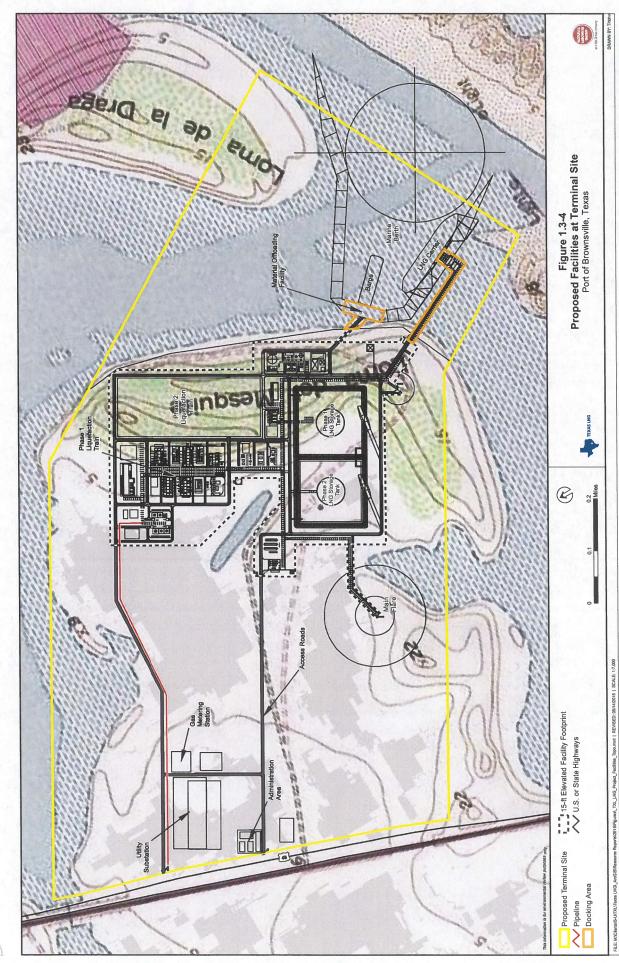
THENCE along said North 6+00 Reference Line from the original centerline of the Brownsville Ship Channel, South 62 deg. 25 min. 27 sec. West, 2,872.28 feet to the **PLACE OF BEGINNING**, containing 625.00 Acres of land, more or less.

This description is not based on an on-the-ground survey.











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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF "TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE LLC", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 2014, AT 3:12 O'CLOCK P.M.

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CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

OF

TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE LLC

This Certificate of Formation of Texas LNG Brownsville LLC (the "Company"), dated November 14, 2014, has been duly executed and is filed pursuant to Section 18-201 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (the "Act") to form a limited liability company under the Act.

- 1. Name. The name of the Company is Texas LNG Brownsville LLC.
- 2. Registered Office; Registered Agent. The address of the registered office required to be maintained by Section 18-104 of the Act is:

Corporation Trust Center 1209 Orange Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

The name and the address of the registered agent for service of process required to be maintained by Section 18-104 of the Act are:

The Corporation Trust Company Corporation Trust Center 1209 Orange Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed this Certificate of Formation as of the date first written above.

By:

Name: Robert Hughes
Title: Authorized Person

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE LLC" IS DULY

FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD

STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS

OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE FIRST DAY OF MAY, A.D. 2017.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE LLC" WAS FORMED ON THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 2014.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.

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