

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket Nos. CP04-37-000, CP04-44-000, CP04-45-000, and CP04-46-000]

**Corpus Christi LNG, L.P.; Cheniere Corpus Christi Pipeline Company; Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Cheniere Corpus Christi Lng Project**

March 7, 2005.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a final environmental impact statement (EIS) on the liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal and natural gas pipeline facilities in Nueces and San Patricio Counties, Texas proposed by Corpus Christi LNG, L.P. and Cheniere Corpus Christi Pipeline Company (collectively referred to as Cheniere) in the above-referenced dockets.

The final EIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project with appropriate mitigating measures as recommended, would have limited adverse environmental impact. The final EIS also evaluates alternatives to the proposal, including system alternatives, alternative sites for the LNG import terminal, and pipeline alternatives.

Cheniere's proposed facilities would have a nominal output of about 2.6 billion cubic feet of imported natural gas per day to the U.S. market. In order to provide LNG import, storage, and pipeline transportation services, Cheniere requests Commission authorization to construct, install, and operate an LNG terminal and natural gas pipeline facilities.

The final EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following LNG terminal and natural gas pipeline facilities in San Patricio and Nueces Counties, Texas:

- A new marine basin and dredged maneuvering area in La Quinta Channel on the northeast shore of Corpus Christi Bay;
- Two berths and unloading facilities for LNG carrier ships, and a third dock for tugs and line boats;
- Three LNG storage tanks, each with a nominal working volume of approximately 160,000 cubic meters (1,006,400 barrels equivalent);
- LNG vaporization and processing equipment;

- 23 miles of 48-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline; and
- 8 interconnects with existing intrastate and interstate pipelines, and related meter stations.

The final EIS has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

A limited number of copies of the final EIS are available from the Public Reference Room identified above. In addition, copies of the final EIS have been mailed to federal, state, and local agencies; public interest groups; individuals and affected landowners who requested a copy of the final EIS; libraries; newspapers, and parties to this proceedings.

In accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) regulations implementing NEPA, no agency decision on a proposed action may be made until 30 days after the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency publishes a notice of availability of a final EIS. However, the CEQ regulations provide an exception to this rule when an agency decision is subject to a formal internal appeal process which allows other agencies or the public to make their views known. In such cases, the agency decision may be made at the same time the notice of the final EIS is published, allowing both periods to run concurrently. The Commission decision for this proposed action is subject to a 30-day rehearing period.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Click on the "eLibrary" link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected the appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, contact 1-202-502-8659. The "eLibrary" link on the FERC Internet Web site also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket Nos. CP05-64-000]

**Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Turkey Point Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

March 8, 2005.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Turkey Point Project involving abandonment, construction and operation of facilities by Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) in Miami-Dade County, Florida. These facilities would consist of the construction and operation of a new 17,000 horsepower Compressor Station, and the installation of a 24-inch Tee and Side Valve on the existing FGT lateral on the grounds of the Turkey Point Power Plant owned by Florida Power and Light (FPL). The EA will be used by the Commission in its decisionmaking process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

**Summary of the Proposed Project**

FGT is requesting authorization to abandon facilities and to construct, own, and operate facilities consisting of a new 17,000 horsepower (hp) electric Compressor Station No. 22 (CS 22) and appurtenant facilities located in Miami-Dade County, Florida, on the existing FGT 24-inch Turkey Point Lateral within the existing Turkey Point Power Plant owned by FPL. Specifically, FGT plans to:

- Construct a 1,600-foot extension of the existing 18-inch mainline at approximate milepost (MP) 907.7 to the proposed Compressor Station 22, and back to the 18-inch mainline tie in;
- Abandon approximately 50 feet of the existing 18-inch mainline at MP 907.7 near the intersection of NW., 72nd Avenue (Milam Dairy Road) and NW., 64th Street;