



## **CLNG Welcomes Court Support of DOE Review Process**

(Washington, D.C.) -- This morning the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected a legal challenge by the Sierra Club against the Department of Energy's (DOE) approval of three liquefied natural gas (LNG) export project applications: Cove Point, Sabine Pass and Corpus Christi.

## In response, Charlie Riedl, Executive Director of the <u>Center for Liquefied Natural Gas</u> (CLNG), issued the following statement:

"We are pleased but not surprised that the D.C. Circuit Court has again upheld DOE, further cementing its opinion earlier this year that the existing rigorous DOE review process appropriately considers the environmental impacts of these projects. We hope today's decision will put an end to the unnecessary and costly challenges by Sierra Club that delay LNG projects. The facts are clear and the Court agrees: the regulatory review process for U.S. LNG projects provides a thorough review of both operational and environmental impacts before being approved.

"Thanks to abundant supplies of natural gas in the U.S., enough for many generations to come, U.S. natural gas exports are positioned to deliver meaningful decreases in global greenhouse gas emissions, help balance trade, provide geopolitical stability, and support good paying jobs at home. Exporting LNG offers many different opportunities, and decisions like this from the D.C. Circuit Court continue to pave the way for the United States economy to benefit."

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The Center for Liquefied Natural Gas (CLNG) advocates for public policies that advance the use of liquefied natural gas (LNG) in the United States, and its export internationally. A committee of the Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA), CLNG represents the full value chain, including LNG producers, shippers, terminal operators and developers, providing it with unique insight into the ways in which the vast potential of this abundant and versatile fuel can be fully realized. For more information, please visit www.lngfacts.org and www.lnginitiative.org.