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The Honorable Norman C. Bay
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE
Washington, D.C. 20426

Dear Chairman Bay,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Venture Global Calcasieu Pass (Calcasieu Pass), project and the related TransCameron Pipeline. These projects, located in Southwest Louisiana, will transport and liquefy natural gas produced in North America to export markets around the world.

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The natural gas revolution our country has experienced over the last decade has created unprecedented opportunities for business growth and job creation throughout the U.S. Nowhere is this more evident than in Louisiana and along the Gulf Coast—America's energy coast. I have been told the Calcasieu Pass projects will make multi-billion dollar investments and provide opportunities for communities, workers and natural gas producers across Louisiana. The Calcasieu Pass export project is projected to employ 3,000 workers (1,500 workers per phase) during peak construction, and 300 long-term employees beginning in 2017.

On September 4, 2015 Venture Global filed its formal application with the FERC (CP15-550-000 and CP15-551-000). Calcasieu Pass will be located south of the city of Lake Charles in Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Additionally, two 42-inch diameter lateral pipelines, approximately 43 miles in aggregate length, which will deliver feed gas to the liquefaction facility will be constructed. Calcasieu Pass will sit on 506 acres along the Calcasieu Ship Channel where the channel meets the Gulf of Mexico. The project is seeking authorization from the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Fossil Energy to export 12.0 million metric tonnes per annum of LNG to free trade agreement (FTA) and non-FTA countries. To date, the Project has received authorization from DOE to export 12.0 metric tonnes of LNG to FTA countries and Venture Global hopes the remaining authorizations to be issued in due course.

I urge the FERC to advance the regulatory process for Venture Global's Calcasieu Pass and TransCameron Pipeline projects as expeditiously as possible, in order to allow for these important energy and economic developments to occur in Louisiana.

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Sincerely,

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