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NGSA and CLNG Joint Statement on Modernization of NEPA Guidelines

(Washington, D.C.) – The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) and Center for LNG (CLNG) today released the following statement regarding the Council on Environmental Quality's proposed changes to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations.

Dena Wiggins, president and CEO of NGSA said:

"We applaud the Administration's proposal to modernize and clarify NEPA, which will facilitate effective and timely reviews of infrastructure needed to serve consumers, all while ensuring continued thorough and comprehensive environmental reviews and processes. This will provide a clearer roadmap for agencies' environmental reviews, foster fewer delays and promote better decision-making for vital energy infrastructure."

Charlie Riedl, executive director of CLNG, said:

"With multi-year, billion-dollar projects at stake, certainty is key for the growing U.S. LNG industry. Today's proposal is a strong step toward providing more clarity in the environmental review process. Modernizing the NEPA process will help U.S. LNG compete in the global marketplace while ensuring rigorous safety and environmental standards."

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The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) represents integrated and independent companies that supply natural gas. Founded in 1965, NGSA is the only national trade association that solely focuses on producer-marketer issues related to the downstream natural gas industry. NGSA maintains a deep focus on the regulatory issues that affect natural gas producer-marketers and has been involved in a substantive manner in every one of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's significant natural gas rulemakings since FERC's creation in 1977. For more information, please visit www.ngsa.org and www.naturalgas.org.

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 abundant, versatile LNG can be fully realized. For more information, please visit <u>www.lngfacts.org</u> and <u>www.lnginitiative.org</u>.

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