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### **NGSA and CLNG Commend EPA on Finalizing Rule on Clean Water Act's Section 401 Process**

(Washington, D.C.) -- Dena E. Wiggins, President and CEO of the Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA), and Charlie Riedl, Executive Director of the Center for LNG (CLNG), commended the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) on its issuance of its final rule on the Section 401 certification process.

NGSA President and CEO Dena Wiggins said:

"NGSA is pleased the EPA is issuing its final rule, which addresses key areas of the Clean Water Act's Section 401 certification processes. NGSA supports these much-needed clarifications, including reaffirming the timelines for review and action, and clarifying the scope of review. EPA's efforts to promote early engagement and regulatory certainty will enhance the predictability and efficiency of the permitting process for interstate natural gas pipelines and will allow states and federal authorities to do their jobs of protecting water quality.."

Center for LNG Executive Director Charlie Riedl said:

"As the global LNG market continues to grow and the United States plays a larger and larger role with six facilities exporting LNG, two facilities under construction and six more permitted, a certain and predictable infrastructure process is essential to ensuring that the U.S. LNG industry can compete globally. The certainty provided by this rule will help LNG export projects with multiyear timelines."

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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 advocates for well-functioning markets that foster a growing, competitive market for natural gas. NGSA is dedicated to achieving a cleaner future through strong partnerships with renewables and supporting innovative technologies and market solutions that reduce emissions. For more information, please visit [www.ngsa.org](http://www.ngsa.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 LNG value chain, including all six large-scale LNG export facilities in the United States, shippers, and multinational 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](http://www.lngfacts.org).

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