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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
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Re: Docket No. PF06-11-000

Dear Ms. Salas,

I am writing to intervene regarding Quoddy Bay LLC's application pre-filing to construct LNG import facilities at Split Rock on the Pleasant Point Passamaquoddy Reservation in Maine.

There is currently a lawsuit in federal court against the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and the Department of the Interior (DOI) regarding the BIA's approval of the lease agreement between the Pleasant Point Passamaquoddy Tribal Government and Quoddy Bay LLC, that provides the necessary land for Quoddy Bay LLC's LNG import facility. The lawsuit alleges that proper and required procedures were not followed by the BIA in their oversight and review process that resulted in premature BIA approval of the lease agreement.

Since the lease agreement between Pleasant Point Passamaquoddy Reservation and Quoddy Bay LLC may be determined by the court to be invalid, access to the site is not free and clear. It is possible that free access to the required site may never become available to Quoddy Bay LLC.

Pre-filing with the FERC, as well as waterway assessment by the US Coast Guard, requires significant effort and time by those agencies' personnel. In addition to personnel, those activities carry collateral expenses.

Since there is no assurance that the Split Rock site will become available for siting an LNG facility by Quoddy Bay LLC, and due to the significant expenses that pre-filing and waterway assessment would incur at the public expense; then,

It is inappropriate for the FERC and US Coast Guard to expend taxpayer-funded time and expenses on a project that may have no validity in fact.

I request that the FERC reject the applicant's pre-filing until such time that they have unencumbered access to the Split Rock site, and that the Coast Guard also reject the request for waterway assessment related to that project.

Very truly,

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