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 final rule changes to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations.

Dena Wiggins, president and CEO of NGSA said:

“We applaud the Administration’s final rule to modernize and clarify NEPA. NGSA has supported the Council on Environmental Quality’s efforts to update NEPA regulations, which will facilitate effective and timely reviews of infrastructure projects needed to serve consumers, all while ensuring continued thorough and comprehensive environmental reviews. This final rule provides a clear roadmap for agencies’ environmental reviews, fosters fewer delays and promotes better decision-making for vital energy infrastructure.”

Charlie Riedl, executive director of CLNG, said:

“Today’s finalized rule provides certainty for project developers and international buyers looking for consistent and predictable regulatory time frames. A modernized NEPA process will help U.S. LNG compete in the global marketplace while ensuring rigorous safety and environmental standards at home. We are happy to see that the final rule incorporates the One Federal Decision policy which better enables multidomain regulatory projects like LNG facilities to navigate the permitting processes.”

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.

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 producers 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.

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