First LNG Export Cargo Launches New Era and Long-term Economic Benefits for U.S. Economy, Says NGSA

(Washington, D.C.) – Following the news that Cheniere shipped its first LNG cargo from the Sabine Pass export terminal in Louisiana yesterday, Dena E. Wiggins, president and CEO of the Natural Gas Supply Association, made the following statement:

“With the first shipment of LNG from the United States in history, we are launching a new era benefiting the U.S. economy and our global allies. Our enormous natural gas resource base ideally positions the United States to compete on a global level for LNG market share while still providing an affordable and environmentally advantageous fuel source for U.S. customers.

“Meanwhile growth in exports sends market signals to incentivize domestic production, which benefits consumers here at home and benefits industries involved in the natural gas supply chain such as construction and manufacturing, spurring even more economic growth.”

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The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) represents integrated and independent companies that supply natural gas. Established in 1965, NGSA encourages the use of natural gas within a balanced national energy policy, and promotes the benefits of competitive markets, thus encouraging increased supply and the reliable and efficient delivery of natural gas to U.S. customers. For more information, please visit www.ngsa.org and www.naturalgas.org.

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