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**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

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Michael S. Smith  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
Freeport LNG Development, LP  
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Houston, Texas 77002

**CPF 4-2019-3002S**

Dear Mr. Smith:

On August 29, 2019, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code (U.S.C.), issued a Notice of Proposed Safety Order (Notice) to Freeport LNG Development, L.P. (FLNG). The Notice alleged that, as a result of an investigation into the unintended release of natural gas after a piping failure, a condition existed that the liquefied natural gas facility posed a pipeline integrity risk to public safety, property, and the environment.

On February 14, 2020, PHMSA and FLNG entered into a Consent Agreement and Order (Agreement) to resolve the issues underlying in the Notice. On December 12, 2022, FLNG submitted a request for termination in accordance with Item 25 of the Agreement.

PHMSA reviewed the responses provided to demonstrate compliance with the Agreement and determined that FLNG has completed the required corrective measures in the Agreement. This letter is to inform you that no further actions in this case are required, the Agreement is terminated, and this case is now closed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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