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Susan Lessard, Chair c/o Terry Hanson Board of Environmental Protection 17 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project Company, LLC and Calais Pipeline Company, LLC

Dear Chair Lessard:

On behalf of Calais LNG Project Company, LLC and Calais Pipeline Company, LLC ("Calais LNG"), by this letter I am respectfully requesting that the Board of Environmental Protection ("Board") postpone the hearing on Calais LNG's pending applications that is currently scheduled for July 19-23, 2010. Calais LNG seeks this postponement very reluctantly, given that it has asked for expedited review of these applications and the Board and the Department have accommodated that request in an exemplary fashion.

We do not make this request lightly. However, it has become apparent to Calais LNG that, given the complexity of the project and the speed with which these proceedings have progressed, certain relevant information has not been provided to the Department, which may be perceived as a procedural flaw in this process. Hence, rather than move forward now with a process that will cause the expenditure of significant BEP, DEP, Intervenor and Applicant resources that will simply result in motions for rehearing or appeals to Superior Court, Calais LNG seeks to postpone the hearings until the fall of 2010. This will allow time for that information to be provided to the Department and the Board as well as the parties to the BEP proceeding.

Calais LNG recognizes that you, the rest of the Board, and Board staff all have made extraordinary efforts to move these applications through the BEP process in an expeditious fashion, and the Companies are deeply disappointed that they find themselves in the position of having to make this request. However, Calais LNG believes that it is in the best interests of the BEP, the DEP, the parties to the proceeding, and to Maine, to postpone the hearing until after September 1, 2010.

Calais LNG would appreciate a response no later that 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 14, 2010.

Very truly yours,

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