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**The Board is going to
send St. Joe a letter of
support at their meeting
next Tuesday for the LNG
plant**



**County voted 5-0 to
support Ing**

**Great news. Thanks
again!!**

Michael Hammond

From: Michael Hammond
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 9:55 AM
To: Dan Velazquez
Subject: Fwd: LNG Letter of Support
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From: Kari Summers <ksummers@gulfcountry-fl.gov>
Date: September 28, 2022 at 9:53:44 AM EDT
To: Michael Hammond <mhammond@gulfcountry-fl.gov>
Subject: FW: LNG Letter of Support

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DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS • FOURTH TUESDAYS AT 9:00 A.M., E.T.

September 27, 2022

Via Electronic Mail and First Class US Mail

Jorge Gonzales, President/CEO
The St. Joe Company
133 S. Watersound Parkway
Watersound, FL 32461

RE: Letter of Support for The St. Joe Company in recruiting and establishing a
Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) plant in Gulf County

Mr. Gonzales:

Please accept this letter on behalf of the unanimous vote of our Gulf County Board of County Commissioners ("Commission") in support of The St. Joe Company's efforts for the recruitment and establishing a Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) technology and plant in Gulf County.

This Commission offers its full support to The St. Joe Company and the community and various business leaders in their continuing effort to lead to establishing the construction and operation of an LNG plant in Gulf County.

Lastly, in this ongoing process of recruitment, development and ideally operations, we would respectfully request the The St. Joe Company and its proposed cooperative partners once selected assist the Gulf County Board of Commissioners and administration in providing informational town hall meetings to educate the residents of Gulf County on the many economic benefits of this technology and operations and the public health and safety aspects as well environmental impacts with the construction and operations of an LNG plant.

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman Sandy Quinn
Gulf County Board of County Commissioners

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Michael Hammond

From: Velazquez, Dan <dan.velazquez@joe.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 9:57 AM
To: Michael Hammond
Subject: RE: LNG Letter of Support

Thank you, Michael!

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October 19, 2022

Jorge Gonzalez, President & CEO
The St. Joe Company
130 Richard Jackson Blvd
Panama City Beach, FL 32407

Dear President Gonzalez:

On behalf of the Gulf County Economic Development Coalition, I am pleased to provide you this letter of support for the planned LNG plant in Port St. Joe Florida. At the regularly scheduled EDC meeting of 10-19-22, the EDC Board voted unanimously to endorse this project and authorized this letter of support.

There was consensus that the Nopetro project was the "right size and fit" to grow our economic base without sacrificing the natural beauty that is our community. The board identified and commented on the upsides of this project as follows:

- **Jobs**--the project creates jobs that pay sufficient salaries for employees to live in our community.
- **No traffic issue.** --The location of the facility and truck transportation plan on the 60-acre water side of U.S. Hwy 98 and adjacent to the bulkhead does not require trucks to cross U.S. Hwy 98.
- **Local business benefit**—Nopetro will purchase their Natural Gas for an existing local business.
- **Opens the Port**—the project will provide the large customer necessary to obtain financial support to dredge the shipping channel and turning basin.
- **Ad valorem tax windfall**—The property taxes collected for this 100 million-dollar plus project will provide hundreds of thousands of dollars annually to the City, County, and school district.

As with all large-scale projects of this type there will be some No Sayers espousing environmental and development concerns. The EDC does not share those environmental concerns or worries that this facility will detract from our community landscape. Be assured we support this project and will be available to support you during the public hearing and the vetting process.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at jmcknight@gulfcounty-fl.gov or by calling (850) 832-0227

Sincerely,

Jim McKnight
Executive Director

Michael Hammond

From: Jim McKnight
Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 12:23 PM
To: Michael Hammond
Subject: Letter of Support St. Joe Company
Attachments: Letter of Support to ST Joe Company for LNG.docx

Michael,

Attached is a draft St. Joe letter of support. Can you give it he once over and let me know of needed edit or changes?

Jim

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Email jmcknight@gulfcounty-fl.gov



Michael Hammond

From: Jim McKnight
Sent: Thursday, October 6, 2022 4:35 PM
To: Michael Hammond
Subject: Updates

Michael

1. **Fresenius-** I am meeting with the development guy and his boss Monday Afternoon here in Port St. Joe. .
2. **Opportunity Florida** would like us to host their quarterly meeting November 16th . They specifically wish to visit Skyborne while they are here. Could we use the Honeyville Community Center to host them as it is close by?
3. **Golf Tournament-** Is the golf tournament still on for the 14th?
4. **NoPetro** – Continuing to study this project and prepping for meeting next week.
5. **Eye Center Services**—Still working it.

Jim McKnight, Director

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Michael Hammond

From: Jim McKnight
Sent: Wednesday, October 5, 2022 1:24 PM
To: Michael Hammond
Subject: NoPetro Meeting

Michael,

I have invited Guerry and the Porty Authority to attend the NoPetro meeting on the 14th. No Petro's plan to use shipping containers to transport the gas would be a gamechanger for the port as it would create super revenue generating port customer and possibly funds for updating infrastructure. I read all the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Petitions and orders. Based on the info contained therein, this is the right size and type project. We need to know more about the number of employees / pay rates and about the credibility and solvency of NoPetro.

Jim

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Michael Hammond

From: Jim McKnight
Sent: Monday, October 3, 2022 12:13 PM
To: Sandy Quinn
Cc: Michael Hammond
Subject: Meeting with NoPetro

Sandy,

As you have heard, the NoPetro Company is planning stages of building LNG plant in Port St. Joe. To date, they have not contacted or met with County or City officials. They have scheduled such a meeting for 9 a.m. on Friday October 14th at City Hall. They specially requested you and Michael attend. Curiously an anti LNG plant meeting sponsored by a Washington base group and hosted by the Nort Port St Joe Association is scheduled for the same day at 12 noon. I wonder if there plans include attending that meeting also. I plan to attend the 9 a.m. meeting and may attend the 12 noon meeting.

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Michael Hammond

From: Jim McKnight
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 1:08 PM
To: Michael Hammond
Subject: FW: "SAY NO TO THE PROPOSED "NOPETRO" LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS FACILITY ":

Michael,

See email below. Our friend Danny Bolden has a new cause. Also see my response to Kim Bodine.

Attached is the Star article on the theoretical plant. The Company NonPetro filed for a waiver of the review from one federal agency which generated the public noticed hearing that you sent me an inquiry about 6 weeks ago. Gulf County and the EDC are not involved in this project and have had no discussion with NonPetro. That said, the month before COVID our EDC did meet with a developer and big time investors (not NonPetro) regarding developing this type facility but COVID ended those discussions.

That said, it does not mean that the developer NonPetro isn't working the project. This project could only be placed on the St. Joe Property contiguous to Eastern Shipbuilding and near the Highland view bridge (So St Joe Company would have to approve). It is possible St. Joe is having discussion with NonPetro that the County is not be privy too. Additionally Jason Shoaf's family business is St. Joe Natural gas and they would have to be a player in this type facility. His comments in the Star article this week appear to indicate he is aware of the project. Danny Bolden who sent you an email is a former resident of North Port St. Joe who leads the North Port St Joe group that historically opposes developmental project that they do not have an interest in.

Jim

From: Kim Bodine <kbodine@careersourcegc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 5:39 AM
To: Jim McKnight <jmcknight@gulfcounty-fl.gov>
Subject: Fwd: "SAY NO TO THE PROPOSED "NOPETRO" LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS FACILITY ":

Do you know what this is about?

Kim Bodine
Executive Director
CareerSource Gulf Coast
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From: dannie bolden <boldmanofgod@yahoo.com>
Date: September 20, 2022 at 8:33:21 PM CDT
Subject: "SAY NO TO THE PROPOSED "NOPETRO" LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS FACILITY "
Reply-To: dannie bolden <boldmanofgod@yahoo.com>

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letter in support of Nopetro by St. Joe Natural Gas

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here is a link to our original 2021 protest

<https://www.citizen.org/article/nopetro-lng-effort-to-evade-federal-oversight-of-natural-gas-exports/>

and our rehearing request

<https://www.citizen.org/article/rehearing-request-of-nopetro-lng-export-order/>

and a link to the original Nopetro petition

<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/filedownload?fileid=020CE074-66E2-5005-8110-C31FAFC91712>

more detail about the leasing agreement

Michael Hammond

From: Jim McKnight
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2022 10:23 AM
To: Michael Hammond
Subject: FW: Port St. Joe liquified natural gas (LNG) Facility

Michael,

See below Sierra Club email sent to Kim Bodine. I have no knowledge of any current LNG projects of this kind. Our last work on this was the [REDACTED] project in February of 2020 when [REDACTED] and I flew down to Miami. COVID hit big the next month and that project went dormant. It is possible the Sierra Club got out dated information. In the alternative [REDACTED] or the St. Joe Company may be moving forward.

Have you heard anything?

Jim

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From: Kim Bodine <kbodine@careersourcegc.com>
Sent: Friday, July 22, 2022 12:11 PM
To: Jim McKnight <jmcknight@gulfcounty-fl.gov>
Subject: FW: Port St. Joe liquified natural gas (LNG) Facility

See below...

Kimberly L. Bodine

Executive Director

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From: Cris Costello <cris.costello@sierraclub.org>
Sent: Friday, July 22, 2022 11:00 AM
Subject: RE: Port St. Joe liquified natural gas (LNG) Facility

You don't often get email from cris.costello@sierraclub.org. [Learn why this is important](#)

Hi there: Public Citizen is exploring a legal challenge against a proposed liquified natural gas (LNG) export facility in Port St. Joe and is looking for individuals in that area who might be

Michael Hammond

From: Sandy Quinn
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2022 10:29 AM
To: Michael Hammond
Cc: Clay Smallwood
Subject: Fwd: Proposed LNG Facility Located Near NPSJ

Good morning,

This was just sent to me. I haven't heard anything about this. Have you all heard any information on this?

Commissioner Quinn

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Date: July 25, 2022 at 8:24:02 AM MDT
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Cc: John Hendry <johnahendry@gmail.com>, Cheryl Steindorf <cherylsteindorf101@gmail.com>, Chester Davis <chesterd282d@gmail.com>, "Marquita Y. Thompkins" <marquita.thompkins2001@gmail.com>
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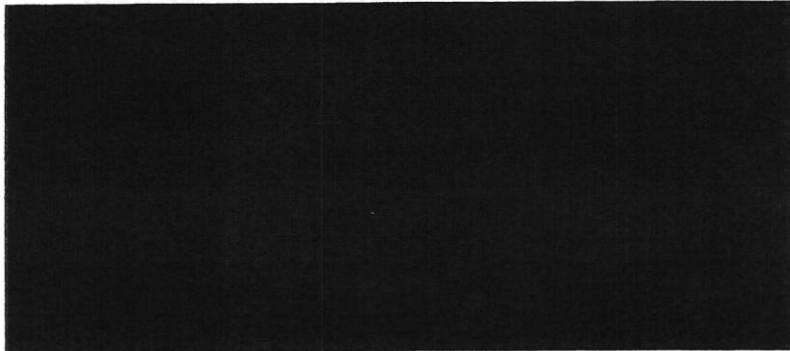
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Nopetro pushes back on LNG project jurisdiction, touts emissions benefits

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HIGHLIGHTS

Says project aligns with DOE small-scale LNG push

Contends FERC should not stretch into trucking oversight

Nopetro LNG has bolstered its defense of its small-scale LNG facility planned in Florida, touting the lower emissions it says the project would offer and asserting the project is designed for function rather than to evade Federal Energy Regulatory Commission jurisdiction as some challengers have contended.

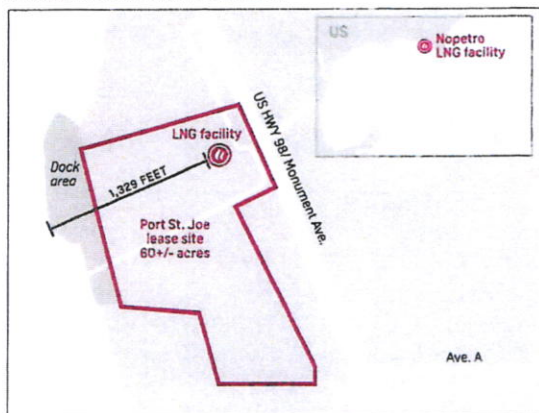
Responding to arguments against the project's approach at FERC, Nopetro June 8 outlined positive impacts of the facility, to be located in Port St. Joe in the Florida Panhandle.

"The LNG that Nopetro intends to export will displace diesel fuel and No. 2 oil consumption in markets that are not currently served by cleaner alternative fuels," it

said in a June 8 filing at FERC. The company, along with St. Joe Natural Gas Company and Florida state Representative Jason Shoaf in separate comments, also contended the project would contribute meaningfully to economic recovery around Port St. Joe in the aftermath of Hurricane Michael. In defending the project design, Nopetro said it is targeting inland customers that are harder to reach by using ISO container deliveries.

The facility would be located 1,329 feet away from a dock in Port St. Joe and would receive natural gas from two laterals operated by local distribution utility St. Joe Natural Gas. A third-party truck operator would transport the LNG in International Organization for Standardization containers from the facility to an area subleased from Nopetro, where the containers would move to a third-party stevedore at the dock. Nopetro, in its April 20 petition to FERC, said the case presented an opportunity for FERC to confirm that because the LNG will be exported only through ISO containers at the dock, the project is outside the commission's jurisdiction(CP21-179).

ST. JOE LNG DEVELOPMENT PLAN



Source: Nopetro

The company petitioned FERC to declare the regulator lacks jurisdiction over the facility planned in Port St. Joe that would produce LNG for transport by truck and later shipment by sea to Central and South America and the Caribbean.

The request for FERC to define the limits of its reach follows the commission's March order asserting jurisdiction of New Fortress Energy's LNG terminal, already in operation in the Port of San Juan, Puerto Rico. In that case, FERC found that the New Fortress facility was an LNG terminal subject to commission jurisdiction because it included facilities dedicated to the importation of LNG in foreign commerce, was located at or near the point of import, and included a pipeline that sends out gas (CP20-466).

In response to Nopetro's petition, Public Citizen and Delaware Riverkeeper Network warned FERC against creating a major new loophole in its oversight of export terminals.

Delaware Riverkeeper alleged the proposed Nopetro project is the latest in trend of entities "purposely designing natural gas facilities to take advantage of technicalities in past commission rulings that allow these facilities to escape the public interest review required by the Natural Gas Act."

DOE small-scale rule

In response, Nopetro said it was developing the project to be consistent with DOE's small-scale LNG rule and to export ISO containers to emerging foreign markets not targeted by larger LNG projects due to practical and economic constraints.

As such, Nopetro's Project will support DOE's stated objective of expediting small-scale LNG exports, while "providing significant benefits to [the United States'] trading partners in the Caribbean Central America and South America," Nopetro wrote. "The commission should not impede Nopetro's efforts by asserting jurisdiction over the project," it added.

Countering Delaware Riverkeeper, also Nopetro argued that a DOE delegation order does not govern whether FERC should assert jurisdiction over a project that does not receive gas from a FERC-jurisdictional pipeline, does not export LNG via pipeline, and is not otherwise connected to a pipeline.

Further, Nopetro restated its view that it is not developing facilities at the point of export.

"The commission should not assert jurisdiction over the trucking of LNG in ISO containers, as doing so would introduce needless uncertainty and unreasonably broaden the commission's jurisdiction into an area regulated by another federal agency," Nopetro said.

Michael Hammond

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Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2022 3:32 PM
To: Michael Hammond
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Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 11:06 PM
Subject: Fw: "SAY NO TO THE PROPOSED "NOPETRO" LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS FACILITY "

On Tue, Sep 20, 2022 at 9:31 PM dannie bolden <boldmanofgod@yahoo.com> wrote:

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