From: Michael Hammond
To: Kari Summers

Subject: Re: Media question Draft

Date: Monday, October 31, 2022 2:21:23 PM

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Tell him to ignore her. No response MLH

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On Oct 31, 2022, at 2:07 PM, Kari Summers <ksummers@gulfcounty-fl.gov>wrote:

Please see below

From: Jim McKnight <jmcknight@gulfcounty-fl.gov>

Sent: Monday, October 31, 2022 12:54 PM

To: Kari Summers <ksummers@gulfcounty-fl.gov>

Subject: Media question Draft

Kari,

If you like, I can respond to the media request as follows. Please review and let me know.

Miranda Wilson (reporter E&E News) questions:

At the request of Kari Summers (and Michael Hamond?), I am responding to your questions below

 What estimates has Gulf County received regarding the expected jobs and tax revenue from Nopetro LNG's proposal? Nopetro has not filed any application or local notice to build an LNG plant in Gulf County. Gulf County has not received any estimates in writing from Nopetro regarding expected jobs or tax revenues. The only meeting with No Petro attended by Gulf County, the City of Port St. Joe, the EDC, and Port Authority on October 14, 2022, Nopetro stated the first phase of their proposed project (one of 3 structures/facilities on one acre each to be built on 60-acre property) would create 12 jobs and would cost 80,000,000 to build. My calculation of the expected annual tax revenue are estimated to be Gulf County \$480,000, School District 430,640, City of Port St. Joe 307,640 SJ Fire District 40,000, and NW FL Water Man District 2,080 Total \$1,260,360. The City and County would benefit from increased jobs and economic impact during the construction period,

- 2. Has Nopetro indicated when it may apply for relevant permits from the county? No Nopetro has not given any indication of when they might apply for permits from the city, County and State.
- 3. Could you provide me with a copy of the letter that the county commission voted on to support this project at the commission meeting in September? Who was this letter addressed to? I have not seen the letter and I do not have a copy.
- 4. What steps has the county taken to address infrastructure, employment, and environmental challenges in North Port St. Joe specifically? Nort Port St. Joe is in the City of Port St. Joe and subject to their oversight. Gulf County has not taken any action specific to infrastructure support for an LNG plant as there is no application to build a plant here. Based on information from our meeting, the proposed facility would not require infrastructure support from the City or County. Gulf County has been proactive in creating jobs and training programs for citizens of Nort Port St. Joe. Specifically, over 100 jobs were created at the Eastern Shipbuilding in walking distance of North Port St. Joe. In preparation for the Eastern

facility, Gulf County and Gulf School District obtained grant money to teach welding at the two County high schools. According to Nopetro their propsed project would create 12 good paying jobs to begin with all located in walking distance of North Port St. Joe. According to Nopetro and my review of other LNG proposals there are no environmental, no emissions and the mercury by-product is captured by the system and removed by a private contractor. The US 98 tourist corridor traffic would not be impacted, as the liquefied natural gas is placed in shipping container and transported on the 60 acre site to the bulkhead with no truck traffic arriving or leaving the property.

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