UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 14, 2012

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

700 Milam Street Suite 800 Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Commission File Number)

1-33366

20-5913059

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

77002 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 375-5000

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- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement

On May 14, 2012, Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. (the '<u>Partnership</u>'), Cheniere Energy, Inc. ('<u>Cheniere</u>') and Blackstone CQP Holdco LP (the '<u>Purchaser</u>') entered into a Unit Purchase Agreement (the '<u>Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement</u>'), whereby the Partnership has agreed to sell to the Purchaser in a private placement 100 million Class B Units of the Partnership ('<u>Class B Units</u>') at a price of \$15 per Class B Unit. Upon satisfaction of the conditions to initial funding, the Purchaser will acquire 33,333,334 Class B Units for a purchase price of \$500 million (the '<u>Initial Funding</u>'). Subsequent to the Initial Funding, the Partnership may require based on liquidity needs that the Purchaser make additional capital contributions until the Purchaser has funded \$1.5 billion in the aggregate. The Partnership intends to use the net proceeds from the private placement to pay for construction of its liquefaction facilities located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana (the '<u>Liquefaction Facilities</u>''), including the construction of two liquefaction trains and related facilities and equipment. Proceeds may also be used by the Partnership to fund the acquisition and subsequent operating expenses of the Creole Trail Pipeline.

The obligation of the Purchaser to consummate the Initial Funding is subject to certain conditions precedent, including, among other conditions, the closing of debt financing for construction of Trains 1 and 2 of the Liquefaction Facilities, execution of the documents described below, and consummation of the Creole Trail Pipeline transfer to the Partnership (as described below).

The Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement contains customary representations and warranties of the Partnership, Cheniere and the Purchaser. The agreement also contains covenants, including limitations on the conduct of the Partnership's business for 120 days after the date of the agreement, including restrictions on encumbering material assets, selling Partnership equity interests, merging or consolidating, incurring indebtedness or entering into affiliate contracts. The Partnership and Cheniere must also refrain for 120 days after the date of the agreement from soliciting, encouraging or having discussions with any party that may acquire equity securities in, or engage in a business combination with, the Partnership, its general partner (the "General Partner") or any affiliate of Cheniere that is providing services to the Partnership and its subsidiaries.

The Partnership and Cheniere, on the one hand, and the Purchaser on the other, have agreed to indemnify each other and its respective officers, directors and other representatives against certain losses resulting from any breach of their representations, warranties or covenants contained in the Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement. The Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement may be terminated by either the Purchaser or the Partnership, as applicable, subject to certain exceptions, upon mutual written consent, if the Initial Funding has not occurred by December 31, 2012, for breaches of representations, warranties or covenants that remain uncured, if the Partnership enters into certain contracts, if there are certain effects on the Partnership's LNG sale and purchase agreements ("SPAs"), if the Partnership desires to proceed with an alternative transaction and the Purchaser desires not to fund, or if a funding notice has been delivered and the Purchaser has not funded within eleven business days thereafter.

The private placement of the Class B Units pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement is being made in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to Section 4(2) and Regulation D thereof.

Amended Limited Partnership Agreement

A form of Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership (the "<u>Amended Partnership Agreement</u>") is attached as Exhibit A to the Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement and is to be entered into at the time of the Initial Funding. The Class B Units are subject to conversion, mandatorily or at the option of the holders of the Class B Units, into a number of common units of the Partnership ("<u>Common Units</u>") based on the then-applicable conversion value of the Class B Units. Pursuant to the Amended Partnership Agreement, on a quarterly basis beginning on the Initial Funding and ending on the conversion date of the Class B Units, the conversion value of the Class B Units will increase at a compounded rate of 3.5% per quarter, subject to an additional upward adjustment for certain equity and debt financings. The Class B Units will not be entitled to cash distributions except in the event of a liquidation. The holders of Class B Units will have a preference over the holders of the subordinated units of the Partnership ("<u>Subordinated Units</u>") in the event of a liquidation (or merger, combination or sale of substantially all of the Partnership's assets, referred to as a <u>Significant Event</u>").



The holders of Class B Units will have the right to participate in any votes submitted to the holders of Common Units, on an as-converted basis, except where class votes are required. The holders of Class B Units will have preemptive rights for all issuances of Partnership equity securities. During the Investor Approval Period (as defined below), if Cheniere does not exercise some or all of its preemptive rights, the Purchaser may purchase such securities.

The Class B Units will mandatorily convert into Common Units upon the earlier of the substantial completion date of Train 3 or the fifth anniversary of the Initial Funding, provided that if the Train 3 notice to proceed with construction is issued prior to the fifth anniversary of the Initial Funding, then the mandatory conversion date becomes the substantial completion date of Train 3. At the option of the holders of Class B Units, all or a portion of the Class B Units may be converted: (i) at any time subsequent to the date that is 83 months after the issuance of the notice to proceed under the existing engineering, procurement and construction ("EPC") contract for the Liquefaction Facilities, (ii) prior to the record date for a quarter in which the Partnership has generated sufficient available cash from operating surplus to distribute \$0.425 (the "IOD") on all outstanding Common Units (on an as-converted basis), (iii) at any time following thirty (30) days prior to the mandatory conversion date or (iv) at any time following (30) days prior to a Significant Event or dissolution.

A specified number of outstanding Subordinated Units will be subject to cancellation if the Partnership does not obtain certain financing commitments. If the Partnership has not obtained all debt and equity financing commitments and approval from the General Partner's board of directors (the "Board) to issue a notice to proceed to the EPC contractor for Trains 3 and 4 on or prior to October 1, 2014 (the "Measurement Date"), an appropriate number of Subordinated Units will be cancelled to enable the Partnership to distribute from "contracted adjusted operating surplus" \$0.50 per unit per quarter for a consecutive four-quarter period on all outstanding limited partner units on an as-converted basis (the "<u>\$0.50 Distribution</u>"). "Contracted adjusted operating surplus" is derived solely from contracted capacity revenues from Terminal Use Agreements and SPAs with counterparties who are not Cheniere affiliates relating to the Liquefaction Facilities and the Sabine Pass LNG terminal, provided that (i) in each case, the term of such contract is for a minimum of three years and (ii) the calculation excludes revenues and expenses relating to the "115%" portion of the purchase price related to Henry Hub natural gas prices pursuant to the applicable SPA. If the Partnership has achieved financing commitments for Train 3 on or prior to the Measurement Date, but not Train 4, then 67,500,000 Subordinated Units will be cancelled, plus any additional amount necessary to make the \$0.50 Distribution.

The subordination period will end and all Subordinated Units will convert into Common Units if (i) the IQD is earned and paid from operating surplus on all Common Units, Subordinated Units and units senior or pari passu to the Subordinated Units for three consecutive, non-overlapping four-quarter periods or (ii) 150% of the IQD is earned and paid from "contracted adjusted operating surplus" on all Common Units, Subordinated Units and Units senior or pari passu to the Subordinated Units, Subordinated Units and Units senior or pari passu to the Subordinated Units for four consecutive quarters.

Amended General Partner LLC Agreement

A form of Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner (the "<u>Amended LLC Agreement</u>") is attached as Exhibit B to the Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement and is to be entered into at the time of the Initial Funding. Pursuant to the Amended LLC Agreement, until the expiration of the period from the Initial Funding until the Purchaser and other co-investors own less than (a) 20% of the outstanding Common Units, Subordinated Units and Class B Units, and (b) 50,000,000 Class B Units (the "<u>Investor Approval Period</u>"), the number of directors constituting the Board will be eleven. An affiliate of Cheniere will have the right to appoint four directors to the Board (the "<u>Cheniere Directors</u>"); the Purchaser will have the right to appoint three directors to the Board (the "<u>Independent Directors</u>"). Certain actions to be taken by the Partnership or its subsidiaries must be approved by an Executive Committee of the Board (the "<u>Executive Committee</u>"), including certain equity issuances, the incurrence of certain debt, entering into an EPC contract for Train 3 or 4 unless certain parameters are satisfied, approving certain change orders to EPC contracts, acquiring or disposing of material assets or pursuing certain other capital projects, issuing a notice to proceed on Train 3 or 4 before consummating financing for the completion thereof and amending service agreements with Cheniere or other material agreements. The Executive Committee will be comprised of three Purchaser Directors, one Independent Director and one Cheniere Director.

Investors' Agreement

A form of Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement (the "<u>Investors' Agreement</u>") to be entered into at the time of the Initial Funding is attached as Exhibit C to the Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement. Pursuant to the Investors' Agreement, the Partnership will agree to register for resale the Common Units of the Purchaser, any co-investors and any affiliates of Cheniere (each a "<u>Participating Investor</u>") received upon conversion of the Class B Units on a shelf registration statement.

Under the Investors' Agreement, each of the Purchaser and Cheniere and its affiliates will agree not to transfer their Class B Units or Common Units received upon conversion thereof for two years after the Initial Funding. In addition, Cheniere will agree not to transfer the equity of the General Partner or any entity providing services to the Partnership except to a person acquiring all such equity interests.

The Investors' Agreement also provides the Purchaser with the right to have a director nominee appointed to Cheniere's board of directors during the Investor Approval Period. In addition, before transferring any assets relating to the liquefaction or regasification of natural gas to a newly formed master limited partnership, Cheniere will first be required to offer such assets for sale to the Partnership.

Cheniere Unit Purchase Agreement

On May 14, 2012, the Partnership and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere (<u>Cheniere Terminals</u>), entered into a Class B Unit Purchase Agreement (the <u>"Cheniere Unit Purchase Agreement</u>"), whereby Cheniere Terminals has agreed to purchase from the Partnership 33,333,334 Class B Units at a price of \$15.00 per unit, for total consideration of \$500 million. The Cheniere Unit Purchase Agreement contains customary representations and warranties of Cheniere Terminals and the Partnership, with closing being subject to certain conditions precedent, including the simultaneous occurrence of the Initial Funding. Cheniere Terminals and the Partnership can agree, however, that the Class B Units will be purchased and issued, in whole or in part, prior to the Initial Funding.

Creole Trail Purchase and Sale Agreement

In connection with the signing of the Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement, on May 14, 2012, the Partnership, Cheniere Pipeline Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere (<u>'Cheniere GP Seller</u>'), Grand Cheniere Pipeline, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere (<u>'Cheniere LP Seller</u>'), together with Cheniere GP Seller, the <u>"Seller Parties</u>"), and Cheniere entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement (the <u>'CTPL Purchase and Sale Agreement</u>'), pursuant to which the Partnership has agreed to purchase from the Seller Parties the equity interests in entities that own and control the Creole Trail Pipeline. The total consideration to be paid by the Partnership to the Seller Parties is \$480 million, of which \$180 million will be used to purchase Class B Units pursuant to the Subscription Agreement described below. The CTPL Purchase and Sale Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and covenants of the Seller Parties and the Partnership, with closing being subject to certain conditions precedent, including the Initial Funding having occurred.

Cheniere Subscription Agreement

On May 14, 2012, the Partnership and Cheniere Terminals entered into a Subscription Agreement (the '<u>Subscription Agreement</u>'') pursuant to which the Partnership has agreed to issue to Cheniere Terminals 12,000,000 Class B Units at a price of \$15.00 per Class B Unit, for consideration of \$180 million. The Subscription Agreement contains customary representations and warranties of the Partnership and Cheniere Terminals, with closing being subject to certain conditions precedent, including consummation of the Creole Trail Pipeline sale under the CTPL Purchase and Sale Agreement.



Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities)

On May 14, 2012, Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere (<u>Cheniere O&M</u>"), the General Partner and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Partnership (<u>Sabine Pass Liquefaction</u>"), entered into an Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities) (the <u>SPL O&M Agreement</u>"). Pursuant to the SPL O&M Agreement, Sabine Pass Liquefaction appoints the General Partner to operate the Liquefaction Facilities and to perform the services specified therein. Before the Liquefaction Facilities are operational, the services to be provided include, among other services, obtaining governmental approvals on behalf of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, preparing an operating plan for certain periods, obtaining insurance, preparing staffing plans and preparing status reports. After the Liquefaction Facilities are operational, the General Partner will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Liquefaction Facilities and will ensure that all necessary services required to operate and maintain the Liquefaction Facilities are properly performed.

Before the Liquefaction Facilities are operational, in addition to reimbursement of operating expenses, Sabine Pass Liquefaction will pay the General Partner a monthly fee equal to 0.6% of the capital expenditures incurred in the previous month. After substantial completion of each LNG liquefaction train, for services performed by the General Partner while the Liquefaction Facilities are operational, Sabine Pass Liquefaction will pay the General Partner in addition to the reimbursement of operating expenses, a fixed monthly fee of \$83,333.33 for services with respect to such LNG liquefaction train.

Management Services Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities)

On May 14, 2012, Cheniere Terminals and Sabine Pass Liquefaction entered into a Management Services Agreement (the <u>SPL MSA</u>"). Pursuant to the SPL MSA, Sabine Pass Liquefaction engages Cheniere Terminals to manage all of Sabine Pass Liquefaction's business and operations other than services to be provided by the General Partner under the SPL O&M Agreement. The services to be provided by Cheniere Terminals include, among other services, exercising the day-to-day management of Sabine Pass Liquefaction's affairs and business, managing Sabine Pass Liquefaction's regulatory matters, managing bank and brokerage accounts and financial books and records of Sabine Pass Liquefaction's business and operations, and providing contract administration services for all contracts associated with the Liquefaction Facilities.

Sabine Pass Liquefaction will pay Cheniere Terminals a monthly fee equal to 2.4% of the capital expenditures incurred in the previous month. After substantial completion of each LNG liquefaction train, Sabine Pass Liquefaction will pay Cheniere Terminals a fixed monthly fee of \$541,666.66 for services with respect to such train.

CEI LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB)

On May 14, 2012, Sabine Pass Liquefaction and Cheniere Marketing, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere (<u>Cheniere Marketing</u>"), entered into an LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB) (the "<u>LNG SPA</u>"). Pursuant to the LNG SPA, Sabine Pass Liquefaction agreed to sell to Cheniere Marketing for delivery at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal certain excess liquefied natural gas ("<u>LNG</u>") produced that is not already committed to non-affiliated parties. If there is insufficient capacity to produce any such excess LNG, then Sabine Pass Liquefaction is not obligated to commit to make any LNG available to Cheniere Marketing. The maximum annual contract quantity sold to Cheniere Marketing may not exceed 104,000,000 MMBtu. The sales price to be paid by Cheniere Marketing will be 115% of the then current Henry Hub price per MMBtu plus a profit sharing equal to 100% of profits up to \$3.00/MMBtu for the first 36 million MMBtu of the most profitable cargoes sold each year to Cheniere Marketing may without charge cancel a scheduled cargo of LNG. The LNG SPA contains limitations on certain liabilities of Sabine Pass Liquefaction. Cheniere Marketing will reimburse Sabine Pass Liquefaction for certain excess costs that Sabine Pass Liquefaction may incur in obtaining natural gas supply and pipeline transportation capacity. The term of the LNG SPA is twenty years from the date of first commercial delivery of Train 1, or such shorter period as may be required to comply with the LNG export licenses. Cheniere Marketing will have the right to extend the twenty-year term for an additional period of up to ten years. Under the LNG SPA, Sabine Pass Liquefaction will use reasonable efforts to amend or obtain additional LNG export licenses permitting the export of no less than 104,000,000 MMBtu per annum.



Pursuant to the LNG SPA, the following circumstances permit either Sabine Pass Liquefaction or Cheniere Marketing or both parties (as the case may be) to terminate the agreement: (i) by either party, in respect of a bankruptcy event in respect of the other party; (ii) by either party, in respect of a late payment by the other party of any amount or amounts in the aggregate due that are in excess of \$30 million, for a period of ten days or more following the due date of the relevant invoice(s); (iii) by either party, if the conditions precedent are not satisfied prior to June 30, 2013; (iv) by Cheniere Marketing, pursuant to a delay of more than 180 days in the date of first commercial delivery; (v) by Sabine Pass Liquefaction, if Cheniere Marketing violates the terms of Sabine Pass Liquefaction's LNG export licenses, or such other applicable licenses; (vi) by either party, in respect of a violation at any time during the term by the other party of laws applicable to the terminating party, or misrepresentation by the other party of business practices compliance prior to the LNG SPA's effective date; (vii) by Sabine Pass Liquefaction, if Cheniere Marketing does not use, market or resell the LNG as provided in the LNG SPA; (viii) by Cheniere Marketing, if (a) Sabine Pass Liquefaction has declared force majeure one or more times and the interruptions resulting from such force majeure total twenty-four months during any thirty-six month period, and (b) such force majeure has resulted in Sabine Pass Liquefaction being prevented from making available fifty percent or more of the annualized annual contract quantity during such periods of force majeure; (ix) by Sabine Pass Liquefaction, if (a) Cheniere Marketing has declared force majeure one or more times and the interruptions resulting from such force majeure total twenty-four months during any thirty-six month period, and (b) such force majeure has resulted in Cheniere Marketing being prevented from taking fifty percent or more of the annualized annual contract quantity during such periods of force majeure; (x) by Cheniere Marketing, if Sabine Pass Liquefaction fails to make available fifty percent of the cargoes scheduled in any given twelve month period, for reasons other than force majeure or as otherwise excused under the LNG SPA; (xi) by Sabine Pass Liquefaction, if Cheniere Marketing fails to take fifty percent of the cargoes scheduled in any given twelve month period, for reasons other than force majeure or as otherwise excused under the LNG SPA; and (xii) by Sabine Pass Liquefaction, if Cheniere Marketing fails to execute any direct agreement with Sabine Pass Liquefaction's lenders, as required by the LNG SPA, within 60 days following a request by Sabine Pass Liquefaction that Cheniere Marketing execute such direct agreement.

The foregoing descriptions of the Blackstone Unit Purchase Agreement (including the exhibits thereto), the Cheniere Unit Purchase Agreement, the CTPL Purchase and Sale Agreement, the Subscription Agreement, the SPL O&M Agreement, the SPL MSA and the LNG SPA, do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of the agreements, which are attached as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2, 10.3, 10.4, 10.5, 10.6 and 10.7, respectively, to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events

A copy of the press release for the signing of the definitive transaction documents concerning the investment by the Purchaser in the Partnership is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. Information included on the Partnership's website is not included herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

d) Exhibits

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10.5*	Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities), dated May 14, 2012, by and among Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC, Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC.
10.6*	Management Services Agreement, dated May 14, 2012, by and between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC.
10.7*	LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB), dated May 14, 2012, by and between Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC and Cheniere Marketing, LLC.
99.1*	Press Release, dated May 15, 2012.
* Filed here	ewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

	By:		RE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. Energy Partners GP, LLC, its general partner	
Date: May 15, 2012	By:		/s/ Meg A. Gentle	
		Name:	Meg A. Gentle	
		Title:	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	
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UNIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

among

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.,

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

and

BLACKSTONE CQP HOLDCO LP

dated as of May 14, 2012

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UNIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This UNIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated as of May 14, 2012 (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), is entered into by and among CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("<u>COP</u>"), BLACKSTONE CQP HOLDCO LP, a Delaware limited partnership, (the "<u>Purchaser</u>"), and, solely for the purposes of <u>Section 6.01</u>, <u>Section 6.03</u>, <u>Section 6.04</u>, <u>Section 6.05</u>, <u>Section 6.06</u>, <u>Section 6.07</u>, <u>Section 6.08</u>, <u>Section 6.09</u>, <u>Section 6.10</u>, <u>Section 6.11</u>, <u>ARTICLE VII</u> and <u>ARTICLE IX</u>, CHENIERE ENERGY, INC., a Delaware corporation ("<u>CEI</u>").

WHEREAS, CQP desires to issue and sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser desires to purchase from CQP, Class B Units (as defined below), in accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the terms of the Class B Units shall be set forth in the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement (as defined below);

WHEREAS, the Purchaser, CQP, CEI and the General Partner, desire to enter into the Investors' Agreement (as defined below) to provide the Purchaser with certain rights and obligations with respect to the management of Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and general partner of CQP (the "General Partner"), registration rights with respect to the Conversion Units (as defined below) underlying the Class B Units acquired pursuant to this Agreement (including Conversion Units), and certain information rights and standstill matters;

WHEREAS, the member of the General Partner desires to amend and restate the GP LLC Agreement (as defined below), and the General Partner and CQP desire to amend and restate the CQP Partnership Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Purchaser has delivered (i) equity commitment letters to CQP providing for sufficient funding for the Purchaser to pay the Purchase Price (as defined below) (the "<u>Commitment Letters</u>") and (ii) a guaranty from Blackstone Capital Partners VI L.P. supporting the obligations under the Commitment Letters (the "<u>Guaranty</u>"); and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into the other Basic Documents (as defined below) to which such parties are a party, as further described in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01

Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings indicated:

"Additional Units" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

"Action Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 6.01(a).

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means, with respect to a specified Person, any other Person, whether now in existence or hereafter created, directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by Contract or otherwise. CEI and any Affiliate of CEI, the General Partner or the CQP Entities, shall not be deemed an Affiliate of the Purchaser or any of the Investors.

"Aggregate Cap" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(b)(ii).

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"Alternate Transaction" has the meaning specified in Section 6.08(c).

"Alternate Transaction Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 6.08(c).

"Available Funds" has the meaning specified in Section 2.02(d).

"<u>Basic Documents</u>" means, collectively, (i) this Agreement, (ii) the Investors' Agreement, (iii) the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement, (iv) the GP Amended LLC Agreement, (v) the CTPL Purchase Agreement, (vi) the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement, (vii) the CEI Subscription Agreement, (viii) the CEI LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB) and (ix) the Confidentiality Agreement.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the General Partner.

"Business" means the business of the CQP Entities, both as conducted as of the date hereof and as contemplated to be conducted in connection with the Liquefaction Project.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, any federal holiday or day on which banking institutions in the State of New York or State of Texas are authorized or required by Law or other governmental action to close.

"CEI" has the meaning specified in the preamble hereto.

"<u>CEI Credit Agreement</u>" means the Credit Agreement, dated as of August 15, 2008, as amended, between Cheniere Common Units Holding, LLC, as borrower, The Bank of New York Mellon, as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto from time to time.

"CEI Equity" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(b)(iv).

"CEI Financial Statements" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.06(b).

"<u>CEI LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB)</u>" means the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, between Sabine Pass Liquefaction and Cheniere Marketing, LLC.

"CEI SEC Documents" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.06(a).

"<u>CEI Subscription Agreement</u>" means the subscription agreement between CQP and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which CQP agrees to issue and sell to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. agrees to purchase from CQP 12,000,000 Class B Units for \$15.00 per Class B Unit immediately after the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the CTPL Purchase Agreement.

"<u>CEI Unit Purchase Agreement</u>" means the purchase agreement between CQP and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which CQP agrees to issue and sell to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. agrees to purchase from CQP, prior to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the CTPL Purchase Agreement, up to 33,333,334 Class B Units for \$15.00 per Class B Unit.

"<u>Class B Units</u>" means the series of units of CQP designated as senior subordinated units pursuant to Section 5.12 of the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement.

"Code" has the meaning specified in Section 3.16(d).

"Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Commitment Letters" has the meaning specified in the recitals to this Agreement.

"<u>Common Units</u>" has the meaning specified in the CQP Partnership Agreement, except as used in <u>Section 7.02</u> and <u>Section 7.03</u> where such term has the meaning specified in the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement.

"<u>Confidentiality Agreement</u>" means the Confidentiality Agreement, dated as of December 6, 2011, by and between CEI and Blackstone Management Partners L.L.C.

"<u>Contract</u>" means any contract, agreement, indenture, note, bond, mortgage, deed of trust, loan, instrument, lease, license, commitment or other arrangement, understanding, undertaking, commitment or obligation, whether written or oral.

"<u>Conversion Units</u>" means the Common Units (as defined in the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement) issuable upon conversion of any Class B Units pursuant to the terms of the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement.

"Core Representations and Warranties" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(b)(v).

"Covered CEI SEC Documents" means the CEI SEC Documents filed as of the date hereof, but excluding any risk factor section and any forward-looking statements to the extent that they are cautionary, predictive or forward-looking in nature.

"Covered CQP SEC Documents" means the CQP SEC Documents filed as of the date hereof, but excluding any risk factor section and any forward-looking statements to the extent that they are cautionary, predictive or forward-looking in nature.

"COP" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"<u>CQP Amended Partnership Agreement</u>" means the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of CQP, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"<u>CQP Confidential Information</u>" means any confidential information provided to the Purchaser regarding the CQP Entities or any fact relating to discussions or negotiations with CEI or the CQP Entities in connection with the Basic Documents excluding information that (a) is available through public records or otherwise in the public domain at the time of its disclosure or thereafter (other than as a result of a disclosure by the Purchaser or its Representatives in breach of this Agreement or other obligations of confidentiality owed to the CQP Entities), (b) is already in the possession of the Purchaser or any of its Representatives prior to disclosure by the CQP Entities and was not previously acquired by the Purchaser or its Representatives directly or indirectly from the CQP Entities or that was independently developed by the Purchaser or on its behalf without access to the CQP Confidential Information received under this Agreement, or (c) is or has been lawfully acquired by the Purchaser or any of its Representatives from a third party (other than the CQP Entities or its Representatives) not known by the Purchaser to be prohibited from so disclosing such information to the Purchaser by a legal, contractual, fiduciary or other obligation owed to any of the CQP Entities.

"CQP Entities" means, collectively, CQP and the CQP Subsidiaries.

"<u>CQP Entity Operating Agreements</u>" means the certificate of incorporation, certificate of formation, bylaws, limited liability company agreement, limited partnership agreement or other organizational documents, as applicable, of the CQP Entities (excluding CQP).

"CQP Financial Statements" has the meaning specified in Section 3.10.

"CQP Indemnification Initial Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(b)(i).

"<u>CQP Investment Proposal</u>" means any inquiry, proposal or offer from any Person or group relating to (a) any direct or indirect acquisition or purchase, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, of any material assets (including equity interests) of any of the CQP Entities, the General Partner or any other Affiliate of CEI providing services to any CQP Entity (including, in each case, pursuant to the issuance of new equity (or any instrument convertible into equity) by any of the foregoing) and/or (b) any merger, consolidation, business combination, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution, binding share exchange or similar transaction involving any of the CQP Entities, the General Partner or any other Affiliate of CEI providing services to any CQP Entity; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, any inquiry, proposal or offer relating to any acquisition or purchase of CEI in any merger, consolidation, business combination, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution, business combination, recapitalization or purchase of CEI in any merger, consolidation, business combination, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution, binding share exchange or similar transaction involving CEI shall not be a CQP Investment Proposal.

"<u>CQP Material Adverse Effect</u>" means any change, event, fact, development, condition, matter or circumstances (including an SPA Imposition), that individually or in the aggregate, has had or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on (i) the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations or affairs, Business, Properties, assets or Liabilities, whether or not arising in the Ordinary Course of Business, of the CQP Entities taken as a whole, (ii) the ability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole to carry on their Business as currently conducted or contemplated to be conducted or meet obligations under the Basic Documents on a timely basis or (iii) the ability of the CQP Entities or CEI to consummate the Transactions on a timely basis; provided, however, that a CQP Material Adverse Effect shall not include any material and adverse effect on the foregoing to the extent such material and adverse effect results from, arises out of, or is attributable to (a) a general deterioration in the economy or changes in the general state of the industries in which the CQP Entities operate, except to the extent that the CQP Entities, taken as a whole, are adversely affected in a disproportionate manner as compared to other industry participants, (b) the outbreak or escalation of hostilities involving the United States, the declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war or the occurrence of any other calamity or crisis affecting the national economy as a whole, including acts of terrorism, (c) any changes in applicable Law, except to the extent that the CQP Entities, taken as a whole, are adversely affected in a disproportionate manner as compared to other industry participants or other industry participants or (d) the announcement or pendency of the Transactions.

"<u>CQP Partnership Agreement</u>" means the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of CQP, dated as of March 26, 2007.

"CQP Related Parties" shall have the meaning specified in Section 7.03(a).

"CQP SEC Documents" shall have the meaning specified in Section 3.10.

"<u>CQP Subsidiaries</u>" means, collectively, the Subsidiaries of CQP listed on Exhibit 21.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 included in the Covered CQP SEC Documents.

"<u>CTPL</u>" means that certain natural gas pipeline owned by Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., which interconnects with the Sabine Pass LNG terminal to points of interconnection with existing interstate and intrastate natural gas pipelines in southwest Louisiana.

"<u>CTPL Purchase Agreement</u>" means the purchase and sale agreement, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which CQP agrees to purchase from Affiliates of CEI the equity interests in Subsidiaries of CEI that own the CTPL.

"<u>CTPL Transaction</u>" means the consummation of CQP's acquisition of the CTPL from Subsidiaries of CEI in accordance with the terms of the CTPL Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Debt Agreements</u>" means the Indenture, dated November 9, 2006, as supplemented, between Sabine Pass LNG, as issuer and The Bank of New York, as trustee, pursuant to which the Sabine Pass Senior Notes were issued, as well as the ancillary agreements executed in connection therewith.

"Delaware LP Act" shall have the meaning specified in Section 3.02.

"DOE" means the United States Department of Energy, or any successor thereof.

"Environmental Law" means any Law relating to the protection of human health or safety (to the extent such health or safety relate to exposure to Hazardous Materials), the environment or natural resources (including Laws relating to the generation, manufacture, processing, use, storage, treatment, disposal, release, threatened release, discharge, or emission of Hazardous Materials into the environment, and any exposure to Hazardous Materials), including the federal Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, Oil Pollution Act, National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1451-1464 and any similar state Laws.

"Environmental Permits" means all permits, licenses, franchises, certificates and authorizations of Governmental Authorities required under any Environmental Law.

"EPC Contract" means the Lump Sum Turnkey Agreement for the Engineering, Procurement and Construction of the Sabine Pass LNG Liquefaction Project, dated November 11, 2011, by and between Sabine Pass Liquefaction and the EPC Contractor.

"EPC Contractor" means Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Existing SPAs" means (i) the Amended and Restated LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB), dated as of January 25, 2012, between BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, (ii) the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB), dated as of November 21, 2011, between Gas Natural Aprovisionamientos SDG S.A. and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, (iii) the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB), dated as of December 11, 2011, between GAIL (India) Limited and Sabine Pass Liquefaction and (iv) the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB), dated as of January 30, 2012 between Korea Gas Corporation and Sabine Pass Liquefaction.

"FCPA" has the meaning specified in Section 3.26.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or any successor thereof.

"Follow-on Funding" means any purchase and sale of Class B Units pursuant to Section 2.02(c) or Section 2.02(d).

"<u>Funding Call Date</u>" means the earliest of (i) such time as when the Original FERC Order is no longer subject to rehearing, (ii) the delivery of an Alternate Transaction Notice pursuant to <u>Section 6.08</u>, (iii) the delivery by Purchaser of a notice deeming a Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(a)</u> and (iv) any date mutually agreed upon by the Purchaser and CQP.

"Funding Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 2.02(a).

"<u>GAAP</u>" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as of the date hereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that for the CQP Financial Statements and the CEI Financial Statements prepared as of a certain date, GAAP referenced therein shall be GAAP as of the date of such CQP Financial Statements or CEI Financial Statements, as the case may be.

"General Partner" has the meaning specified in the recitals to this Agreement.

"General Partner Units" has the meaning specified in Section 3.06.

"Governmental Authority" means, with respect to a particular Person, any country, state, county, city and political subdivision in which such Person or such Person's Property is located or which exercises valid jurisdiction over any such Person or such Person's Property, and any court, agency, department, commission, board, bureau or instrumentality of any of them (including the Internal Revenue Service and any foreign, state or local tax authorities) and any monetary authority that exercises valid jurisdiction over any such Person or such Person's Property. Unless otherwise specified, all references to Governmental Authority herein with respect to CQP means a Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over CQP, its Subsidiaries or any of their respective Properties.

"<u>GP Amended LLC Agreement</u>" means the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"GP LLC Agreement" means the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner, dated as of August 6, 2007.

"Guaranty" has the meaning specified in the recitals to this Agreement.

"Hazardous Material" means any pollutant, contaminant, waste or any hazardous, toxic or deleterious material or substance, including any material or substance regulated by or as to which Liability might arise under any applicable Environmental Law, including any: (i) chemical, product, material, substance or waste defined as "hazardous substance," "hazardous material," "hazardous waste," "restricted hazardous waste," "extremely hazardous waste," "solid waste," "toxic waste," "extremely hazardous substance," "toxic substance," "toxic pollutant," "contaminant," "pollutant," or words of similar meaning or import found in any applicable Environmental Law; (ii) petroleum hydrocarbons, petrochemical or petroleum products, petroleum substances, natural gas and crude oil or any components, fractions or derivatives thereof; and (iii) asbestos containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, noxious odors, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, or radon gas.

"HSR Act" means the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended.

"<u>Impairment</u>" means, with respect to any Permit or Regulatory Approval, the modification, suspension, imposition of a condition, delay of the effectiveness, expiration or revocation of the Permit or Regulatory Approval and/or any modification, suspension, conditioning, delay, expiration or revocation of the rights and privileges conferred by or under such Permit or Regulatory Approval and/or the exercise of such rights and privileges.

"Incentive Distribution Rights" shall have the meaning specified in Section 3.06.

"<u>Indebtedness</u>" means any of the following: (a) the principal of and accrued interest, premium (if any) or penalties on, and premiums or penalties that would arise as a result of prepayment of, (i) any indebtedness for borrowed money, (ii) any obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, and (iii) any obligations, contingent or otherwise, under banker's acceptance credit, letters of credit or similar facilities; (b) any obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of property, assets or services, except trade accounts payable and other current liabilities arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (c) any guaranty of any of the foregoing.

"Indemnified Party" has the meaning specified in Section 7.04(b).

"Indemnifying Party" has the meaning specified in Section 7.04(b).

"Initial Funding" has the meaning specified in Section 2.02(a).

"Initial Funding Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.02(a).

"Initial Funding Date Notice" means a written notice from the Purchaser stating its willingness to consummate the Initial Funding.

"Initial Purchase Price" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

"Initial Purchased Units" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

"Insurance Policies" has the meaning specified in Section 3.13.

"Intellectual Property" has the meaning specified in Section 3.28.

"Investor" means each equity holder of the Purchaser.

"Investors' Agreement" means the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement, among CQP, the General Partner, CEI, the Purchaser and Affiliates of CEI, and the other parties thereto, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"<u>Knowledge of CQP</u>" means the actual knowledge of the individuals listed on <u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u>; provided, that such individuals shall be deemed to also have actual knowledge of any written reports and materials provided to such individuals which relate to CEI or the CQP Entities, excluding general industry or analysts reports.

"Law" means any applicable federal, state, local or foreign order, writ, injunction, judgment, settlement, award, decree, statute, law, rule, rule of common law or regulation promulgated by a Governmental Authority.

"Liabilities" means any and all Indebtedness, liabilities, commitments, damages, fines, fees,

penalties, settlements and obligations of any kind, whether fixed, contingent or absolute, matured or unmatured, liquidated or unliquidated, accrued or not accrued, asserted or not asserted, known or unknown, determined, determinable or otherwise, whenever or however arising (including, whether arising out of any Contract or tort based on negligence or strict liability).

"<u>Lien</u>" means any interest in Property securing an obligation owed to, or a claim by, a Person other than the owner of the Property, whether such interest is based on the common law, statute or Contract, and whether such obligation or claim is fixed or contingent, and including, the lien or security interest arising from a mortgage, encumbrance, pledge, security agreement, conditional sale or trust receipt or a lease, consignment or bailment for security purposes.

"<u>Liquefaction Project</u>" means the liquefaction facilities to be developed, owned and operated by Sabine Pass Liquefaction at the liquefied natural gas terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, including Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 and Train 4 (as applicable), and the related facilities, equipment and activities incidental thereto.

"Losses" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(a).

"Material Agreements" has the meaning specified in Section 3.24.

"<u>NYSE Amex</u>" means the NYSE Amex LLC.

"O&M Agreements" means (a) the Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass LNG Facilities) by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of February 25, 2005, as amended, and as assigned pursuant to that certain Assignment, Assumption, Consent and Release Agreement by and among Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P., the General Partner, and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of March 26, 2007, and as amended and restated as of the date of the Initial Funding pursuant to <u>Section 6.11</u>, (b) the Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project), dated as of the date hereof, by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC, the General Partner and Sabine Pass Liquefaction and (c) the Operation and Maintenance Services Agreement (Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline), by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., dated as of November 26, 2007, as amended, to be assigned pursuant to the Assignment, Assumption, Consent and Release Agreement by and among Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC and the General Partner, and as amended and restated as of the date of the Initial Funding pursuant to <u>Section 6.11</u>.

"OFAC" has the meaning specified in Section 3.27.

"<u>Operating Agreements</u>" means, collectively, the CQP Entity Operating Agreements, the CQP Partnership Agreement (with respect to periods prior to Initial Funding), the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement (with respect to periods from and after Initial Funding), and the Certificate of Limited Partnership of CQP, each as amended to date.

"Operating Surplus" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Ordinary Course" or "Ordinary Course of Business" means the conduct of Business of each CQP Entity in accordance with such CQP Entity's normal day-to-day customs, practices and procedures, conducted in accordance with past practice.

"Original FERC Order" means that order issued by FERC on April 16, 2012 granting Section 3 Authorization, Docket no. CP11-72-000, 139 FERC ¶ 61,039.

"Outside Date" has the meaning specified in Section 8.01(b).

"Permits" has the meaning specified in Section 3.19(b).

"<u>Person</u>" means any individual, corporation, company, voluntary association, partnership, joint venture, trust, limited liability company, unincorporated organization, Governmental Authority or any agency, instrumentality or political subdivision thereof or any other form of entity.

"Plan" means any employee benefit plan (within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not subject to ERISA, and all bonus, incentive, unit option, unit purchase, restricted unit, phantom unit, or other equity-based compensation, deferred compensation, pension, retiree medical or life insurance, supplemental executive retirement, severance or other benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements, and all employment, consulting, termination, severance, retention, change in control, transaction bonus, compensation or other contracts or agreements (x) to which any CQP Entity is a party or which are sponsored, maintained or contributed to (or are required to be sponsored, maintained or contributed to) by any CQP Entity, in each case, for the benefit of any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any of the CQP Entities or (y) under which any of the CQP Entities has or could reasonably be expected to have any present or future liability, whether absolute or contingent (including, to the extent applicable, any employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements that are sponsored, maintained or contributed to (or are required to be sponsored, maintained or contributed to) by any employer of any Service Providers); provided, however, that a "Plan" shall not include any of the foregoing sponsored, maintained or contributed to by CEI or any of its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) for which the only Liability of the CQP Entities is the reimbursement of costs and expenses under the Service Agreements.

"Project Financing" means the debt financing required for construction of Train 1 and Train 2 and the portions of the Liquefaction Project related thereto.

"Property" or "Properties" means any interest in any kind of property or asset, whether real, personal or mixed, or tangible or intangible (including intellectual property rights).

"Purchase Price" means the Initial Purchase Price plus the purchase price paid for Class B Units pursuant to any Follow-on Funding.

"Purchased Units" means all of the Class B Units purchased by the Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement.

"Purchaser" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"Purchaser Affiliate" means (i) any direct or indirect Affiliate of any Investor and (ii) any direct or indirect Affiliate of the Persons described in clause (i).

"Purchaser Confidential Information" means any confidential information provided to CEI or the CQP Entities regarding the Purchaser or its Affiliates or any fact relating to discussions or negotiations with the Purchaser or its Affiliates in connection with the Basic Documents excluding information that (a) is available through public records or otherwise in the public domain at the time of its disclosure or thereafter (other than as a result of a disclosure by CEI, the CQP Entities or their Representatives in breach of this Agreement or other obligations of confidentiality owed to the Purchaser), (b) is already in the possession of CEI or the CQP Entities or any of their Representatives prior to disclosure by the Purchaser and was not previously acquired by CEI or the CQP Entities or their Representatives directly or indirectly from the Purchaser or that was independently developed by CEI, the CQP Entities or on their behalf without access to the Purchaser Confidential Information received under this Agreement, or (c) is or has been lawfully acquired by CEI or the CQP Entities or any of their Representatives from a third party (other than the Purchaser or its Representatives) not known by CEI or the CQP Entities to be prohibited from so disclosing such information to CEI or the CQP Entities by a legal, contractual, fiduciary or other obligation owed to the Purchaser.

"Purchaser Core Representations and Warranties" has the meaning specified in Section 7.03(b)(iv).

"Purchaser Related Parties" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(a).

"<u>Regulatory Approvals</u>" means all approvals, consents or authorizations (i) by a Governmental Authority necessary to construct Train 1 and Train 2 and consummate the Transactions and (ii) by the FERC or DOE to (a) site, construct and operate liquefaction and export facilities at the Liquefaction Project (including all such approvals, notifications or authorizations contemplated, or required, by the EPC Contract and the Existing SPAs, as they relate to the FERC or DOE), (b) receive and liquefy natural gas at the Liquefaction Project and (c) store, transport and export liquefied natural gas from the Liquefaction Project.

"<u>Remaining Units</u>" means at any time, (a) 100,000,000 Class B Units (*plus* the amount of any Additional Units if the Purchaser exercises the Upsize Option) *minus* (b) the aggregate number of Class B Units previously sold to and purchased by the Purchaser at the Initial Funding and any previous Follow-on Funding.

"Representation Termination Date" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(b)(v).

"<u>Representatives</u>" means, (i) with respect to a specified Person, the officers, directors, managers, employees, agents, counsel, accountants, investment bankers, and other representatives of such Person and, (ii) when used with respect to the Purchaser, also includes the Purchaser's direct and indirect stockholders, partners, members, subsidiaries, parent companies and other Affiliates.

"<u>Restricted Activities</u>" has the meaning specified in <u>Section 6.08(b)</u>.

"Restricted Period" has the meaning specified in Section 6.08(b).

"<u>Rights-of-Way</u>" has the meaning specified in <u>Section 3.12(c)</u>.

"Sabine Pass Liquefaction" means Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of CQP, and its successors and assigns.

"Sabine Pass LNG" means Sabine Pass LNG, L.P., a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of CQP, and its successors and assigns.

"<u>Sabine Pass Senior Notes</u>" means the 7.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2013 and the 7.5% Senior Secured Notes due 2016, issued pursuant to the Indenture, dated November 9, 2006, as supplemented, between Sabine Pass LNG, as issuer and The Bank of New York, as trustee.

"<u>Sale Notice</u>" means a notice provided by CQP to the Purchaser which sets forth the number of Remaining Units that CQP desires to issue and sell to the Purchaser pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(d)</u>. In no event shall a Sale Notice include more Remaining Units than the total number of Remaining Units at the applicable time.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Service Agreements" means, collectively, (a) the O&M Agreements, (b) that certain Services and Secondment Agreement by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. and the General Partner, dated as of March 26, 2007, and as amended and restated as of the date of the Initial Funding in the form attached as <u>Exhibit F</u>, (c) that certain Management Services Agreement by and between Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc. and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of February 25, 2005, as amended, and as assigned pursuant to that certain Assignment, Assumption, Consent and Release Agreement by and among Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc., Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of the date of the Initial Funding pursuant to <u>Section 6.11</u>, (d) the Management Services Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and Sabine Pass Liquefaction; (e) that certain letter agreement regarding management and administrative services to be provided by Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. to CQP, dated as of June 24, 2010, by and between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and CQP, and as amended and restated as of the date of the Initial Funding pursuant to <u>Exhibit G</u> and (f) that certain Management Services Agreement to be entered into on the date of the Initial Funding between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P. in the form to be created pursuant to <u>Section 6.11</u>.

"Service Providers" means persons of Affiliates of CEI (other than the General Partner or a CQP Entity) providing services to any CQP Entity, from time to time, whether directly or indirectly through employment with another entity or otherwise.

"Services Budget" means the budget of expenses to be incurred by the CQP Entities pursuant to the Service Agreements, as set forth on Schedule 6.06.

"Services Company" means each of Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC, Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and any other entity providing services to CQP pursuant to a Service Agreement.

"Shortfall Units" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

"<u>SPA Imposition</u>" means any change, event, fact, development, condition, matter or circumstance, that individually or in the aggregate, has had or could reasonably be expected to directly or indirectly (A) have a material and adverse impact on (i) the ability of a CQP Entity being able to fulfill its obligations under an Existing SPA in a timely manner or (ii) the expected revenues of a CQP Entity under an Existing SPA, (B) materially and adversely impact the terms of an Existing SPA applicable to a CQP Entity (including the application to a CQP Entity of any less-favorable terms contained in an Existing SPA) or (C) provide the counterparty to an Existing SPA with a right to terminate such Existing SPA. Without limiting the foregoing, an SPA Imposition shall include changes in Law, proceedings and modifications to Regulatory Approvals.

"SPA Imposition Event" has the meaning specified in Section 6.07(b).

"SPA Imposition Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 6.07(b).

"Special Actions" has the meaning specified in Section 6.01(a).

"Subordinated Units" has the meaning specified in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Subsidiary" means, as to any Person, any corporation or other entity of which: (i) such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person is a general partner or manager; (ii) at least a majority of the outstanding equity interest having by the terms thereof ordinary voting power to elect a majority of the board of directors or similar governing body of such corporation or other entity (irrespective of whether or not at the time any equity interest of any other class or classes of such corporation or other entity shall have or might have voting power by reason of the happening of any contingency) is at the time directly or indirectly owned or controlled by such Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries; or (iii) any corporation or other entity as to which such Person consolidates for accounting purposes.

"<u>Tax</u>" or "<u>Taxes</u>" means any federal, state, local or foreign income, gross receipts, property, sales, use, license, excise, franchise, employment, payroll, withholding, alternative or add on minimum, ad valorem, transfer or excise tax, or any other tax, custom, duty, governmental fee or other like assessment or charge of any kind whatsoever, together with any interest or penalty, imposed by any Governmental Authority and including any obligation to indemnify or otherwise assume or succeed to the Tax liability of any other Person.

"Tax Return" means any return, declaration, report or similar statement with respect to any Tax (including any attached schedules), including any information return, claim for refund, amended return or declaration of estimated Tax.

"Third Party Claim" has the meaning specified in Section 7.04(b).

"Train" means an LNG production train located at the Liquefaction Project.

"Train 1" means the first Train that is commercially operable, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or is expected by Sabine Pass

Liquefaction to be commercially operable, with nominal production capacity of at least 182.5 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"<u>Train 2</u>" means the second Train that is commercially operable, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or is expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable, with nominal production capacity of at least 219 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"<u>Train 3</u>" means the third Train that is commercially operable, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or is expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable, with nominal production capacity of at least 216.5 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"<u>Train 4</u>" means the fourth Train that is commercially operable, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or is expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable, with nominal production capacity of at least 216 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"<u>Transactions</u>" means (i) the purchase and sale of the Purchased Units contemplated by this Agreement, (ii) consummating the CTPL Transaction, (iii) entering into the Project Financing, (iv) CEI, CQP and each of its respective Affiliates executing and delivering the Basic Documents to which it is a party and (v) each Basic Document becoming effective.

"<u>Transaction Costs</u>" means \$50,000,000.

"<u>TUAs</u>" means (i) the LNG Terminal Use Agreement, dated September 2, 2004, by and between Total Gas and Power North America, Inc. and Sabine Pass LNG, as amended, and (ii) the LNG Terminal Use Agreement, dated November 8, 2004, between Chevron U.S.A. Inc. and Sabine Pass LNG, as amended.

"<u>UK Act</u>" has the meaning specified in <u>Section 3.26</u>.

"<u>Upsize Option</u>" has the meaning specified in <u>Section 2.01</u>.

Section 1.02 Accounting Procedures and Interpretation.

Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, all accounting terms used herein shall be interpreted, all determinations with respect to accounting matters under this Agreement shall be made, and all financial statements and certificates and reports as to financial matters required to be furnished to the Purchaser under this Agreement shall be prepared, in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved (except, in the case of unaudited financial statements, as permitted by Form 10-Q promulgated by the Commission) and in compliance as to form in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and with the published rules and regulations of the Commission with respect thereto.

ARTICLE II AGREEMENT TO SELL AND PURCHASE

Section 2.01

Sale and Purchase.

Pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, (i) at the Initial Funding, CQP hereby agrees to issue and sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser hereby agrees to purchase from CQP, 33,333,334 Class B Units (the "Initial Purchased Units") and (ii) as consideration for the issuance and sale of the Initial Purchased Units, the Purchaser hereby agrees to pay CQP \$500,000,010.00 (the "Initial Purchase Price"); provided, that if CEI is unable to purchase the full 33,333,334 Class B Units contemplated to be purchased by CEI pursuant to the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement (on or prior to the Initial Funding Date), then CEI shall provide prompt notice of such inability to purchase all such Class B Units (including in such notice the number of Units that CEI will not be able to purchase (the "<u>Shortfall Units</u>")), and the Purchaser shall have the option (the "<u>Upsize Option</u>"), exercisable in its sole discretion contemporaneously with or prior to the Initial Funding, to increase the number of the Initial Purchased Units that the Purchaser will purchase at the Initial Funding by a number of Class B Units up to the number of Shortfall Units. If the Purchaser exercises the Upsize Option, the Purchaser shall give prompt written notice (but in no event later than five (5) days after CEI provides the foregoing notice) to CEI and CQP indicating the number of additional Class B Units the Purchaser desires to Purchase up to the number of Shortfall Units (the "<u>Additional Units</u>"). If the Purchaser exercises the Upsize Option, then (A) all references herein to the "Initial Purchased Units" shall thereafter be deemed to refer to the sum of 33,333,334 Class B Units *plus* the number of Additional Units and (B) all references herein to the "Initial Purchase Price" shall thereafter be deemed to refer to the sum of \$500,000,010.00 *plus* the product of (x) the number of Additional Units *multiplied by* (y) \$15.00.

Section 2.02 Funding.

(a) At any time following the Funding Call Date, either CQP (solely in the case of clause (i) of the definition of the Funding Call Date) or the Purchaser shall be permitted to provide a written notice to the other party to begin the preparation for the Initial Funding (the "Funding Notice"). To the extent CQP provides the Funding Notice pursuant to the previous sentence, no later than seven (7) Business Days thereafter, the Purchaser shall provide written notice to CQP of its then-existing good faith view about whether the Purchaser would likely provide an Initial Funding Date Notice if all of the conditions set forth in <u>Section 2.03</u> were to be satisfied three (3) Business days thereafter; provided, that in no event shall the failure of the Purchaser to provide an Initial Funding any notice of the Purchaser taits then-existing view is that it would provide the Initial Funding Date Notice) be a breach of this Agreement. Pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, the consummation of the purchase and sale of the Initial Purchased Units hereunder (the "<u>Initial Funding</u>") shall take place on (i) the first Business Day that is at least ten (10) Business Days following the date of the Funding Notice, on which (x) the conditions set forth in <u>Section 2.03</u> (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied at the Initial Funding but subject to the fulfillment or waiver of those conditions) have been satisfied or waived (as contemplated by <u>Section 2.03</u>) and (y) the Purchaser determines, in its sole discretion, that it desires to consummate the Initial Funding and has delivered the Initial



Funding Date Notice or (ii) at such other time as the parties hereto may mutually agree (the "Initial Funding Date").

(b) The Initial Funding shall take place at the offices of Andrews Kurth LLP, 600 Travis, Suite 4200, Houston, Texas 77002. The parties agree that the Initial Funding may occur via delivery of facsimiles, emailed pdfs or photocopies and cross receipts.

(c) After the Initial Funding, at any time the Purchaser desires to purchase any of the Remaining Units, the Purchaser shall provide written notice of such desire to CQP and promptly (not to be more than two (2) Business Days) thereafter (i) CQP shall issue and sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser shall purchase from CQP, the applicable number of Remaining Units that Purchaser desires to purchase and (ii) as consideration for the issuance and sale of such Remaining Units, the Purchaser shall pay CQP in immediately available funds the product of (x) the number of Remaining Units to be issued and sold at such Follow-on Funding *multiplied by* (y) \$15.00.

follows:

(d) After the Initial Funding, at any time there are Remaining Units, CQP shall be entitled to issue a Sale Notice as

(i) if CQP determines in good faith (and such determination is confirmed by the Board to the extent requested by the Purchaser) that the projected cash available to CQP and its Subsidiaries that could reasonably be used at the Liquefaction Project (including any funds available at the applicable time pursuant to available credit (including the Project Financing)) ("<u>Available Funds</u>") at the end of the month following such Sale Notice will be less than \$400,000,000.00, and CQP provides to the Purchaser reasonable detail of the projected available cash and the calculation thereof, then CQP shall be permitted to issue a Sale Notice for a number of Remaining Units equal to (x) the amount of cash required by CQP so that at the end of such month, CQP shall have Available Funds of \$400,000,000.00 divided by (y) \$15.00, rounded to the nearest whole Remaining Unit; or

(ii) if CQP reasonably believes in good faith (after considering any information provided by the Purchaser to support the financial ability of the parties to the Commitment Letters to provide sufficient funds and taking into account the Guaranty) that the Purchaser and the guarantor under the Guaranty together do not have the financial ability to allow the Purchaser to meet its obligations to purchase the Remaining Units pursuant to this Agreement, then CQP shall be permitted to provide a Sale Notice for all of the Remaining Units.

(e) Eleven (11) days (or such sooner time if agreed in writing by the Purchaser) following receipt of a Sale Notice pursuant to Section 2.02(d), (A) CQP shall issue and sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser shall purchase from CQP, the applicable number of Remaining Units properly set forth in the Sale Notice (not to exceed the total number of Remaining Units) and (B) as consideration for the issuance and sale of such Remaining Units, the Purchaser shall pay CQP in immediately available funds the product of (1) the number of Remaining Units to be issued and sold at such Follow-on Funding *multiplied by* (2) \$15.00.

(f) Except as set forth in <u>Section 2.02(d)</u>, there shall be no conditions precedent to a Follow-on Funding.

(g) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, in no event shall the Purchaser be obligated to purchase more than 100,000,000 Class B Units (*plus* any Additional Units if the Purchaser exercises the Upsize Option) pursuant to this Agreement.

Section 2.03

Conditions of the Parties' Obligations at the Initial Funding.

(a) *Mutual Conditions*. The respective obligations of CQP and the Purchaser to consummate the issuance and sale of the Initial Purchased Units shall be subject to the satisfaction of each of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by a particular party on behalf of itself in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable Law), as of the Initial Funding:

(i) No statute, rule, order, decree or regulation shall have been enacted or promulgated, and no action shall have been taken, by any Governmental Authority which temporarily, preliminarily or permanently restrains, precludes, enjoins or otherwise prohibits or seeks to prohibit the consummation of the Transactions or the construction or operation of the Liquefaction Project;

(ii) All Regulatory Approvals (as defined by replacing the word "construct" in clause (i) of the definition with "commence construction of") shall have been received;

(iii) There shall not be pending any suit, action or proceeding by any third party that is not a Governmental Authority which seeks to restrain, preclude, enjoin or prohibit the purchase and sale of the Class B Units hereunder or any of the Basic Documents (other than the CTPL Purchase Agreement) from being effected and, in each case, has a reasonable probability of success on the merits;

(iv) The GP Amended LLC Agreement shall have been duly executed and shall be in full force and effect, with the initial "Independent Directors" to be appointed thereunder at the Initial Funding mutually agreed upon and named therein;

(v) Each of the following shall be in full force and effect and shall not, on rehearing, appeal, remand or otherwise, have been subject to any Impairment that is in any manner materially adverse to Sabine Pass Liquefaction:

- (1) the DOE/FE Order No. 2833 issued on September 7, 2010;
- (2) the DOE/FE Order No. 2961 issued on May 20, 2011; and
- (3) the Original FERC Order; and



(vi) if applicable, the waiting period (and any extension thereof) applicable to the consummation of the Transactions shall have expired or been terminated under the HSR Act.

(b) *Conditions to the Purchaser's Obligations at the Initial Funding.* The obligation of the Purchaser to consummate the purchase of the Initial Purchased Units is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by the Purchaser) on or prior to the Initial Funding of the following conditions:

(i) All of the representations and warranties of CQP and CEI contained in this Agreement shall be true and correct as of the Initial Funding as if made on the Initial Funding Date (other than the representations and warranties as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct on and as of such date) without giving effect to any limitation as to materiality or CQP Material Adverse Effect set forth therein, except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a CQP Material Adverse Effect; provided, however, that the Core Representations and Warranties and the representations and warranties in Section 3.11 (No Material Adverse Change) and Section 4.04 (No Material Adverse Change) shall be true and correct in all respects;

(ii) Each of CEI and CQP shall have performed in all material respects all of the covenants required to be performed by it hereunder prior to the Initial Funding;

(iii) The CQP Amended Partnership Agreement shall have been duly executed and shall be in full force and effect;

(iv) The O&M Agreement specified in clauses (a) and (c) of the definition thereof shall have been duly executed and shall be in full force and effect;

(v) The Services Agreements specified in clauses (b), (c), (e) and (f) of the definition thereof shall have been duly executed and shall be in full force and effect;

(vi) The Project Financing shall have been consummated, or shall be consummated simultaneously with the Initial Funding, on terms reasonably acceptable to the Purchaser;

(vii) The CTPL Transaction and the acquisition by CEI of Class B Units pursuant to the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and the CEI Subscription Agreement shall have closed or be closing simultaneously with the Initial Funding;

(viii) The CEI LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB), the Management Services Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and Sabine Pass Liquefaction and the Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project), dated as of the date hereof, by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC, the General Partner and Sabine Pass Liquefaction shall remain in full force and effect;

(ix) CEI, CQP and their respective Subsidiaries shall have received all approvals from their respective boards of directors, general partners (or similar governing bodies or Person) and any other internal approvals necessary in connection with the Transactions;

- (x) The Purchaser shall have provided the Initial Funding Date Notice as contemplated by <u>Section 2.02(a)</u>; and
- (xi) The delivery by CQP of all of the following to the Purchaser:

(1) a certificate or certificates (bearing the legend set forth in <u>Section 5.06(d)</u> of this Agreement) representing the Initial Purchased Units and meeting the requirements of the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement, registered in the name of the Purchaser;

(2) a certificate of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the General Partner, certifying as to the accuracy and completeness of (and attaching copies of): (i) the executed CQP Amended Partnership Agreement, (ii) the resolutions of the Board authorizing the execution and delivery of the Basic Documents to which the General Partner or CQP is a party and the Transactions, (iii) the incumbency of the officers authorized to execute the Basic Documents on behalf of the General Partner and CQP, as applicable, (iv) the GP LLC Agreement, as amended by the GP Amended LLC Agreement, and (v) the relevant CQP Entity Operating Agreement for Sabine Pass LNG and Sabine Pass Liquefaction;

(3) a certificate of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the General Partner, certifying as to accuracy and completeness of (and attaching copies of): (i) the Certificate of Limited Partnership of CQP and (ii) the Certificate of Formation of the General Partner, each certified by the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware and dated as of a recent date;

(4) certificates from the Secretary of State (or corresponding state official) of the state of formation of each of CQP, the General Partner, CEI, Sabine Pass LNG and Sabine Pass Liquefaction evidencing that each such entity is in good standing in its respective jurisdiction of incorporation or formation;

(5) a certificate of the Secretary of State (or corresponding official) of each of the jurisdiction where each CQP Entity is qualified to do business, dated as of a recent date, evidencing the qualification and good standing of each of the CQP Entities as a foreign limited liability company, foreign limited partnership or foreign corporation, as the case may be;

(6) a cross-receipt executed by CQP certifying that it has received the Initial Purchase Price;

(7) the Investors' Agreement, which shall have been duly executed by CQP, CEI and the General Partner;

- (8) a legal opinion of Andrews Kurth LLP with respect to the matters set forth on Exhibit D;
- (9) a legal opinion of Richards, Layton & Finger LLP with respect to the matters set forth on Exhibit E;

(10) a copy of the "Notice to Proceed" (as defined in the EPC Contract) as contemplated by the EPC Contract (as in effect on the date hereof) or as amended with Purchaser's approval, countersigned by the EPC Contractor;

- (11) the consent and actions contemplated by <u>Schedule 2.03(b)(xi)(11)</u>;
- (12) payment of the Transaction Costs to the Purchaser, in immediately available funds;

(13) a certificate, signed by a duly authorized officer of the General Partner, on behalf of CQP, and dated the Initial Funding Date, to the effect that the conditions set forth in Section 2.03(b)(i) and Section 2.03(b) (ii) have been satisfied; and

(14) all other documents, instruments and writings required to be delivered by CQP at the Initial Funding under the Basic Documents.

(c) *Conditions to CQP's Obligations at the Initial Funding.* The obligation of CQP to issue and sell the Initial Purchased Units to the Purchaser is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by CQP) on or prior to the Initial Funding of the following conditions:

(i) All of the representations and warranties of the Purchaser contained in this Agreement shall be true and correct as of the Initial Funding as if made on the Initial Funding Date (other than the representations and warranties as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct on and as of such date) without giving effect to any limitation as to materiality set forth therein, except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to cause, a delay in the Initial Funding or impair the Purchaser's ability to effect the Initial Funding or perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that the Purchaser Core Representations and Warranties shall be true and correct in all respects.

(ii) The Purchaser shall have performed in all material respects all of the covenants required to be performed by it hereunder prior to the Initial Funding.

(iii) Sufficient Project Financing shall be committed or closed to allow a "Notice to Proceed" (as such term is defined in the EPC Contract as in effect on the date hereof) to be issued by Sabine Pass Liquefaction.

- (iv) The delivery by the Purchaser of all of the following:
 - (1) the Initial Purchase Price, in immediately available funds;
 - (2) the Investors' Agreement, which shall have been duly executed by the Purchaser;

(3) a cross-receipt duly executed by the Purchaser certifying that the Purchaser has received the Purchased Units;

(4) a certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware evidencing that the Purchaser is duly formed and in good standing in such state;

(5) a certificate, signed by a duly authorized officer of the Purchaser, and dated the Initial Funding Date, to the effect that the conditions set forth in <u>Section 2.03(c)(i)</u> and <u>Section 2.03(c)(i)</u> have been satisfied; and

(6) all other documents, instruments and writings required to be delivered by the Purchaser at the closing under the Basic Documents.

ARTICLE III REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF COP

CQP represents and warrants to the Purchaser, on and as of the date of this Agreement and on and as of the Initial Funding Date, as follows:

Section 3.01 Formation and Qualification; Citizenship.

Each of the CQP Entities has been duly formed and is validly existing as a limited liability company or limited partnership, as applicable, and is in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of formation, and is duly registered, qualified to do business and is in good standing as a foreign limited liability company or limited partnership, as the case may be, in each jurisdiction in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires such registration or qualification, except where the failure so to register or qualify would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a CQP Material Adverse Effect. Each of the CQP Entities has all limited liability company or limited partnership, as the case may be, power and authority

necessary to own or lease its Properties currently owned or leased and to conduct its business as currently conducted, in each case in all material respects as described in the Covered CQP SEC Documents.

Section 3.02 Ownership of Subsidiaries.

Exhibit 21.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 included in the CQP SEC Documents sets forth the name of each of the CQP Subsidiaries as of the date of this Agreement, each of which was formed in the State of Delaware. CQP, directly or indirectly, owns 100% of the issued and outstanding membership interests or partnership interests, as the case may be, of the CQP Subsidiaries, free and clear of any Liens, except for Liens created pursuant to the Debt Agreements, the Project Financing documents and the CQP Entity Operating Agreements. Such limited liability company interests or limited partnership interests, as the case may be, have been duly authorized and validly issued under the applicable CQP Entity Operating Agreement and are fully paid (to the extent required under such Subsidiary's applicable CQP Entity Operating Agreement), have not been issued in violation of any pre-emptive rights or other similar rights, and are non-assessable (except as such non-assessability may be affected by matters described in: (A) Sections 18-607 and 18-804 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, in the case of a Delaware limited liability company, and (B) Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act (the "Delaware LP Act"), in the case of a Delaware limited partnership).

Section 3.03 No Other Subsidiaries.

Other than its ownership interests in the CQP Subsidiaries (and any other Subsidiaries created after the date of this Agreement with the consent of the Purchaser), CQP does not own, directly or indirectly, any equity of any other Person or long-term debt securities with a maturity over one (1) year (other than debt securities of any other CQP Entity).

Section 3.04 Authorization; Enforceability; Valid Issuance.

(a) Each CQP Entity has all requisite limited liability company or limited partnership, as applicable, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the other Basic Documents to which it is a party and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The execution and delivery by each CQP Entity of the Basic Documents to which it is a party, and the performance of its obligations thereunder, have been, or at the time they are executed and delivered, will be, duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by such CQP Entity.

(b) Assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery by the Purchaser and CEI of those Basic Documents to which the Purchaser or CEI is a party, the Basic Documents to which each CQP Entity is a party constitute or at the time of the Initial Funding, will constitute, valid and binding obligations of each such CQP Entity; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the enforceability thereof may be limited by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law) and (iii) public policy, applicable Law relating to fiduciary duties, indemnification and contribution, and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.

(c) The Purchased Units and the limited partner interests represented thereby will be at the time of the Initial Funding duly authorized by CQP in accordance with the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement and, when issued and delivered by the Partnership against payment of the Initial Purchase Price (with respect to the Initial Purchased Units) and payment of the purchase price for the Remaining Units (with respect to the Remaining Units), will be validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required under the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement), will not be issued in violation of any preemptive rights or other similar rights, and are non-assessable (except as such non-assessability may be affected by matters described in Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act) and will be free of any and all Liens and restrictions on transfer, other than (i) restrictions on transfer under the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement and under applicable state and federal securities Laws, (ii) such Liens as are created by the Purchaser and (iii) such Liens as arise under the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement or the Delaware LP Act.

(d) Upon issuance in accordance with this Agreement and the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement, the Conversion Units will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required by the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement) and non-assessable (except as such non-assessability may be affected by matters described in Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act) and will be free of any and all Liens and restrictions on transfer, other than (i) restrictions on transfer under the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement and under applicable state and federal securities Laws, (ii) such Liens as are created by the Purchaser and (iii) such Liens as arise under the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement or the Delaware LP Act.

Section 3.05 No Preemptive Rights; Registration Rights or Options.

(a) Except (i) as described in the Covered CQP SEC Documents, (ii) for phantom units granted pursuant to the Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. Long-Term Incentive Plan and subject to phantom units agreements in the form of the phantom units agreement attached as Exhibit 10.63 to CQP's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 included in the CQP SEC Documents, (iii) as contemplated by the Basic Documents, and (iv) as set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement, there are no preemptive rights or other rights to subscribe for or options or warrants to purchase, nor any restriction upon the voting or transfer of, any equity securities in any of the CQP Entities. Except as contemplated by the Basic Documents, the issuance and sale of the Purchased Units as contemplated by this Agreement do not give rise to any rights for or relating to the registration of any Common Units or other securities of CQP other than as have been waived.

Section 3.06 Capitalization.

As of the date of this Agreement, the issued and outstanding partnership interests of CQP consist of 31,268,124 Common Units, 135,383,831 Subordinated Units, the incentive distribution rights (as defined in the CQP Partnership Agreement, the "<u>Incentive Distribution Rights</u>") and 3,398,203 units of the General Partner (the "<u>General Partner Units</u>"), which are the only partnership interests in CQP issued and outstanding. All outstanding Common Units, Subordinated Units and Incentive Distribution Rights, together with the limited partner interests represented thereby, have been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the CQP Partnership Agreement and are fully paid (to the extent required under the CQP Partnership Agreement) and non-assessable

(except as such non-assessability may be affected by matters described in Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act).

Section 3.07 No Breach.

None of the issuance and sale by CQP of the Purchased Units (including upon the conversion of Class B Units into Conversion Units), the execution, delivery and performance of the Basic Documents or the consummation of the Transactions (i) will, as of the Initial Funding, conflict with, or constitute a violation of, any of the Operating Agreements, (ii) requires, as of the date hereof, or will require, as of the Initial Funding, any consent, approval or notice under, or result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default (or an event which, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any Contract to which any of the CQP Entities is a party or by which any of them or any of their respective Properties may be bound (other than conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults that have been, or prior to the Initial Funding will be, waived or cured), (iii) subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties in <u>ARTICLE V</u> (disregarding the references to materiality therein), upon receipt of the Regulatory Approvals, will, as of the Initial Funding, violate any Law of any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over any CQP Entity or any of their respective Properties in a proceeding to which any of them or their respective Properties is or was a party or (iv) results or will result in the creation or imposition of any Lien upon any Property of any of the CQP Entities (other than such Liens as arise under the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement, applicable state and federal securities Laws or the Delaware LP Act or in connection with the Project Financing), which conflicts, breaches, violations, defaults or Liens, in the case of clauses (ii), (iii) or (iv), could reasonably be expected to have a CQP Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.08 No Approvals.

Subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties in <u>ARTICLE V</u> (disregarding the references to materiality therein), except for (i) the Regulatory Approvals, (ii) the approvals required by the Commission in connection with any registration statement filed under the Investors' Agreement, (iii) the approvals required by the NYSE Amex with respect to any listing of Conversion Units thereon, (iv) such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, filing or registrations that have been obtained or made or will be obtained or made prior to the Initial Funding and (v) such consents, approvals, authorizations or orders that, if not obtained, would not reasonably be expected to (a) cause an SPA Imposition, (b) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project or (c) give rise to a material Liability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole, no consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing or registration with, any Governmental Authority or third party is required in connection with the consummation by the CQP Entities of the Transactions to which they are a party.

Section 3.09 No Default.

None of the CQP Entities is, nor will the consummation of the Transactions cause any CQP Entity to be, (i) in violation of its applicable Operating Agreement, (ii) in default (and no event has occurred which, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) in the due performance or observance of any term, covenant or condition contained in any Contract to which

it is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its Properties is subject or (iii) in violation of any Law of any Governmental Authority (including Laws regarding employment and employee benefits), which default or violation in the case of clause (ii) or (iii), would reasonably be expected to have a CQP Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.10 CQP SEC Documents; CQP Financial Statements.

CQP has filed or furnished with the Commission all reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents (including exhibits and other information incorporated therein) required to be filed or furnished by it under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act since January 1, 2009 (all such documents, collectively, the "CQP SEC Documents"). The CQP SEC Documents, at the time filed or furnished (except to the extent corrected by a subsequently filed or furnished Covered CQP SEC Document), (i) did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein (in the light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading and (ii) complied in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the Securities Act, as applicable. All of the audited financial statements and unaudited interim financial statements of COP included in the Covered CQP SEC Documents (the "CQP Financial Statements"), at the time filed or furnished (except to the extent corrected by a subsequently filed or furnished Covered COP SEC Document). (a) were prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto or, in the case of unaudited statements, as permitted by Form 10-Q of the Commission) and (b) fairly present (subject in the case of unaudited statements to normal, recurring and year-end audit adjustments) in all material respects the financial position and results of operations of the COP Entities taken as a whole as of the dates and for the periods indicated. Ernst & Young LLP, who has audited and delivered its reports with respect to the audited CQP Financial Statements, is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to CQP within the meaning of the Securities Act, and has not resigned or been dismissed as independent registered public accountants of CQP as a result of or in connection with any disagreement with CQP on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedures. The reports delivered by Ernst & Young LLP with respect to the audited CQP Financial Statements and included in the CQP SEC Documents are all unqualified opinions.

Section 3.11 No Material Adverse Change.

(a) Except (t) for consummation of the Transactions, (u) as incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business for Sabine Pass LNG and its Subsidiary, (v) up to \$500 million being spent on pre-notice-to-proceed activities of the Liquefaction Project, (w) as reflected, reserved against or accrued in the CQP Financial Statements, (x) as will be incurred pursuant to the Project Financing, (y) as incurred as a result of those actions that the Purchaser specifically consented to in accordance with <u>Section 6.01</u> or (z) as incurred as a result of actions expressly permitted by virtue of its inclusion on <u>Schedule 6.01</u>, since January 1, 2012, or as set forth in or contemplated by the Covered CQP SEC Documents existing as of the date hereof (excluding any disclosures set forth in any risk factor section or in any other section to the extent they are forward looking statements or cautionary, predictive or forward-looking in nature), there has not been (i) any obligation or liability, direct or contingent (including any off-balance sheet obligations), incurred by any of the CQP Entities that is material to the CQP Entities taken as a whole, (ii) any change in the capital

stock, membership or other equity interests or outstanding Indebtedness of any of the CQP Entities that is material to the CQP Entities taken as a whole, (iii) any dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made in respect of membership or partnership interests in, the CQP Entities, except for dividends or distributions made or paid to the CQP Entities or the regular quarterly distribution on the Common Units and the General Partner Units, (iv) any material loss or interference with its Business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance or from any labor dispute or action, investigation or decree by a Governmental Authority sustained by any of the CQP Entities or (v) any material change in CQP's accounting principles, practices or methods.

(b) Since January 1, 2012, there has not been any change, event, occurrence, effect, fact, circumstance or condition that is or would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a CQP Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.12 Title to Real Property; Leases.

(a) Each of the CQP Entities has good and indefeasible title to all Property that constitutes real property, and good title to all Property that constitutes personal property, in each case as described in the Covered CQP SEC Documents as owned by such CQP Entity, free and clear of all Liens except (i) as described in, and subject to limitations contained in, the Covered CQP SEC Documents, (ii) Liens arising under or securing indebtedness incurred under Debt Agreements or in connection with the Project Financing, (iii) other claims and other encumbrances (other than Liens), (iv) Liens arising under the CQP Entity Operating Agreements, (v) Liens that do not materially interfere with the use of such Properties taken as a whole as they have been used in the past and are proposed to be used in the future, (vi) mechanic, materialman, worker, landlord or other similar Liens arising in the Ordinary Course of Business, and (vii) pledges or deposits to secure obligations under worker's compensation laws, unemployment insurance and social security laws, or for utility service or to secure the performance of bids, tenders, contracts or leases or to secure statutory obligations or surety, bid or appeal bonds.

(b) Each of the CQP Entities has valid leases with respect to any real property and buildings held under lease by such CQP Entity with such exceptions as do not materially interfere with the use of the Properties of the CQP Entities taken as a whole as they have been used in the past and are proposed to be used in the future, and such leases are enforceable against such CQP Entities except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be limited by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law) and (iii) public policy, applicable Law relating to fiduciary duties, indemnification and contribution, and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.

(c) Except as described in or contemplated by the Covered CQP SEC Documents, each of the CQP Entities has such easements or rights-of-way from each Person (collectively, "<u>Rights-of-Way</u>") as are necessary to conduct the Business, except for (i) qualifications, reservations and encumbrances that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a CQP Material Adverse Effect and (ii) such Rights-of-Way that, if not obtained, would not have, individually or in the aggregate, a CQP Material Adverse Effect; other than as set forth, and subject to the limitations

contained, in the Covered CQP SEC Documents, each of the CQP Entities has fulfilled and performed all of its material obligations with respect to such Rights-of-Way, and no event has occurred that allows, or after notice or lapse of time would allow, revocation or termination thereof or would result in any impairment of the rights of the holder of any such Rights-of-Way, except for such revocations, terminations and impairments that would not have a CQP Material Adverse Effect; and, except as described in the Covered CQP SEC Documents, none of such Rights-of-Way contains any restriction that would (i) cause an SPA Imposition, (ii) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project or (iii) give rise to a material Liability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole.

(d) The execution and delivery and performance of this Agreement by any of the CQP Entities does not and will not require a consent under, constitute a violation of, breach under or default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such default) under, or result in the creation of any Lien under, any real property lease or right-of-way document to which such CQP Entity is a party.

Section 3.13 Insurance.

CQP has provided to the Purchaser a complete and correct list of all insurance policies applicable to the CQP Entities or the General Partner as of the date hereof, including insurance of directors and officers of such entities (collectively, the "<u>Insurance Policies</u>"). The CQP Entities are insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility (with an A.M. Best rating of at least A-VII) against such losses and risks and in such amounts as are prudent and customary in connection with the Business, and all such insurance is in full force and effect. There is no existing default (or any condition that would cause a default with due notice or lapse of time or both) under the Insurance Policies, and the execution and delivery and performance of this Agreement does not and will not require a consent under, constitute a violation of, breach under or default (or an event that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such default) under any Insurance Policy. Since January 1, 2009, there has not been any written notice of cancellation or nonrenewal with respect to, or disallowance of any claim or reservation of rights under, any insurance policies applicable to the CQP Entities or the General Partner. No Person has received written notice (or to the Knowledge of CQP, any other notice) from any insurer or agent of such insurer that substantial capital improvements or other substantial expenditures will have to be made in order to continue the Insurance Policies. All premiums due under the Insurance Policies that have been invoiced to the CQP Entities have been paid by the applicable due date.

Section 3.14 Legal Proceedings.

Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.14</u>, (i) there are no actions, suits, claims, investigations or proceedings (including any of the foregoing relating to any Regulatory Approval and/or to the performance of this Agreement or any Plan) pending before any Governmental Authority or, to the Knowledge of CQP, threatened against any of the CQP Entities before or by any Governmental Authority or any self-regulatory organization or other non-governmental regulatory authority (including the NYSE Amex), (ii) there have not been any judgments, court orders or court-approved settlements issued with respect to the CQP Entities or their respective Properties and (iii) there are no judgments, court orders or court-approved settlements that continue to have a binding effect on

the CQP Entities or their respective Properties, which in the case of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) would reasonably be expected to result in a material Liability, individually or in the aggregate, to the CQP Entities taken as a whole.

Section 3.15 Employment Related Matters.

Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.15</u>, (i) neither CQP nor any other CQP Entity employs (or, in the past five years, has employed) any employees or otherwise engages any independent contractors or other Service Providers; and (ii) no labor problem or dispute or union negotiation or organizing efforts with respect to the Service Providers exists or, to the Knowledge of CQP, is threatened or imminent; no Service Provider is providing services under or otherwise subject to any collective bargaining or similar agreement, and none of the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer of the General Partner is aware of any existing, imminent or likely labor disturbance by Service Providers or the employees of any of the CQP Entities' principal suppliers, contractors or customers, except as set forth in the Covered CQP SEC Documents.

Section 3.16 Tax Matters.

(a) Each of the CQP Entities has filed all material Tax Returns required to be filed, which returns are correct and complete in all material respects, and all material Taxes due in relation to the CQP Entities have been paid in full, other than those that are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been established in accordance with GAAP. There are no material Liens with respect to Taxes upon any of the Properties of the CQP Entities, other than with respect to Taxes not yet due and payable.

(b) There are no asserted or threatened deficiencies or assessment of Taxes from any taxing authority with respect to or attributable to the CQP Entities. There are no ongoing material audits or examinations of any of the Tax Returns relating to or attributable to the CQP Entities, and no such material audit or examination is threatened in writing. The CQP Entities have not granted any requests, agreements, consents or waivers to extend the statutory period of limitations applicable to the assessment of any Taxes.

(c) Each CQP Entity has withheld and paid all Taxes required to have been withheld and paid in connection with amounts paid or owing to any employee, independent contractor, creditor, partner, member or other Person.

(d) No closing agreement pursuant to Section 7121 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>") (or any similar provision of state, local or foreign Law) has been entered into by or with respect to any CQP Entity. No CQP Entity has any material liability for Taxes of any other Person as a transferee or successor, by contract, or otherwise.

(e) No CQP Entity has engaged in a transaction that would be a "listed transaction" by or with respect to any CQP Entity pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 or any predecessor thereto.

(f) Any CQP Entity which is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes has a valid Section 754 election in effect.

(g) None of the CQP Entities is, or has been, treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. CQP has, for each taxable year since its initial public offering, met the gross income requirements of Section 7704(c)(2) of the Code, and for all such taxable years, CQP was properly treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes within the meaning of Section 7704(c) of the Code. CQP expects to meet the gross income requirements of Section 7704(c)(2) of the Code is 31, 2012.

(h) To the Knowledge of CQP, the purchase and ownership of the Purchased Units and the conversion of Purchased Units into Conversion Units, taken together or alone, will not have a material and adverse effect on any material abatements, incentives, exemptions, rebates, reductions, credits or similar attributes relating to sales and use taxes, property taxes, ad valorem taxes or payroll taxes of the CQP Entities.

Section 3.17 Employee Benefit Plans.

(a) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.17(a)</u>, all Plans have been disclosed in the Covered CQP SEC Documents.

(b) (i) Each CQP Entity is in compliance in all material respects with all presently applicable provisions of ERISA and the Code, and each Plan has been operated and administered in all material respects in accordance with its terms and the requirements of all applicable Laws, including ERISA and the Code; (ii) no "reportable event" (as defined in ERISA) has occurred with respect to any Plan; (iii) no Plan is subject to the requirements of Title IV or is a "multiemployer plan" (as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA), and no CQP Entity is subject to, or could reasonably expect to incur Liability, whether absolute or contingent, under (A) Title IV of ERISA with respect to termination of, or withdrawal from, any Plan or "multiemployer plan" (as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA) or (B) Sections 412 or 4971 of Code; (iv) each Plan that is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has been determined by the IRS to be so qualified, and nothing has occurred, whether by action or by failure to act, that would reasonably be expected to cause the loss of such qualification; (v) no Plan provides post-employment welfare (including health, medical or life insurance) benefits, and none of the CQP Entities has any obligation to provide any such post-employment welfare benefits now or in the future, other than as required by Section 4980B of the Code or any other applicable Law; and (vi) no individual who has performed services for any CQP Entity has been improperly excluded from participation in any Plan, and no CQP Entity has any direct or indirect Liability, whether actual or contingent, with respect to any misclassification of any person as an independent contractor rather than as an employee or with respect to any misclassification of any employee as exempt.

Section 3.18 Environmental Compliance.

The CQP Entities (i) are in compliance with, and have not violated, any Environmental Laws, and, to the Knowledge of CQP, there is no condition or circumstance that would reasonably be expected to prevent or interfere with such compliance in the future, (ii) have received all Environmental Permits required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective Businesses as they are currently being conducted, (iii) are in compliance with all, and have not violated any, terms and conditions of any such Environmental Permits and, to the

Knowledge of CQP, there is no condition or circumstance that would reasonably be expected to prevent or interfere with such compliance in the future, (iv) do not have any Liability, and are not conducting or funding any investigation, remediation, remedial action or cleanup, in connection with the disposal of Hazardous Material or with the release or threatened release into the environment of any Hazardous Material, and Hazardous Materials are not present at or about any Property currently or formerly owned, leased or operated by any of the CQP Entities during the time of their ownership, lease or operation in condition that would reasonably be expected to result in Liability to any CQP Entity relating to any Environmental Law, and (v) have not assumed, retained or provided indemnity against any Liability of any other Person relating to any Environmental Law, except in the cases of the foregoing clauses (i) through (v) where such failure to comply with Environmental Laws, such failure to receive required Environmental Permits, such failure to comply with the terms and conditions of such Environmental Permits, such Liability in connection with disposal, releases, or presence of such Hazardous Materials, or such assumption, retention or indemnity would not reasonably be expected to result in a CQP Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.19 Compliance with Laws; Permits.

(a) Each of the CQP Entities is in compliance with all Laws applicable to its Business, operations or assets, except for such failures to be in compliance as would not reasonably be expected to (i) cause an SPA Imposition, (ii) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project or (iii) give rise to a material Liability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole. None of the CQP Entities has received any written notice of or been charged with any violation of any Laws, except for such violations that (i) would not reasonably be expected to be material to the CQP Entities, taken as a whole or (ii) have been disclosed in the Covered CQP SEC Documents.

(b) All material Regulatory Approvals and material permits, licenses, franchises and certificates ("<u>Permits</u>") that are necessary for the ownership, construction and operation of the Liquefaction Project and that have been obtained by CEI, the General Partner or the CQP Entities or for the benefit of the Liquefaction Project by third parties as of the date of this Agreement are set forth on <u>Schedule 3.19(b)</u>.

(c) All material Regulatory Approvals and Permits not obtained as of the date of this Agreement and that are necessary for the ownership, construction and operation of the Liquefaction Project to be obtained by CEI, the General Partner or the CQP Entities or for the benefit of the Liquefaction Project by third parties (other than the EPC Contractor) after the Initial Funding Date are set forth on <u>Schedule 3.19(c)</u>.

(d) CQP reasonably believes that any material Regulatory Approvals and Permits which have not been obtained by CQP or the relevant third party as of the Initial Funding Date, but which are necessary to be obtained in the future by CEI, the General Partner, the CQP Entities or such third party for the ownership, construction and operation of the Liquefaction Project:

(i) shall be obtained in due course on or prior to the commencement of the appropriate stage of the ownership, construction and operation of the Liquefaction Project for which such Regulatory Approval and Permit would be necessary; and

(ii) shall not contain any condition or requirements, (A) the compliance with which could reasonably be expected to result in a CQP Material Adverse Effect or (B) which CEI, the General Partner, the CQP Entities or the relevant third party (as the case may be) does not expect to satisfy on or prior to the commencement of the appropriate stage of ownership, construction and operation of the Liquefaction Project, except, in the case of clause (B) to the extent that a failure to so satisfy such condition or requirement could not reasonably be expected to (a) cause an SPA Imposition, (b) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project or (c) give rise to a material Liability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole.

(e) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.19(c)</u> and those Regulatory Approvals and Permits that the EPC Contractor is responsible for obtaining, each of the CQP Entities has all Permits and Regulatory Approvals that are necessary under, or issued pursuant to, any Law to (A) own its Properties, (B) conduct its Business as currently conducted and (C) commence construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project and issue the "Notice to Proceed" (as defined in the EPC Contract) under the EPC Contract, except for such Permits and Regulatory Approvals which, if not obtained, would not reasonably be expected to (i) cause an SPA Imposition, (ii) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project or (iii) give rise to a material Liability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole.

(f) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.19(f)</u>, no such Permit or Regulatory Approval is subject to any current legal proceeding, waiting period or appeal or to any unsatisfied condition that would reasonably be expected to give rise to material Impairment of the Permit or Regulatory Approval.

(g) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.19(g)</u> or except as set forth in the Covered CQP SEC Documents, as of the date hereof and as of the Initial Funding Date each of the CQP Entities has fulfilled and performed all of its material obligations with respect to such Regulatory Approvals and Permits by the applicable date specified therein (to the extent the applicable date specified therein is prior to each such date), and no event has occurred that would prevent the Permits and Regulatory Approvals from being renewed or reissued or which allows, or after notice or lapse of time would allow, any Impairment, of any such Permit or Regulatory Approval, except for such Impairments that would not reasonably be expected to (i) cause an SPA Imposition, (ii) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project or (iii) give rise to a material Liability of the CQP Entities taken as a whole.

(h) Except as described in the Covered CQP SEC Documents or set forth in <u>Schedule 3.19(h)</u>, none of such Permits or Regulatory Approvals contain any restriction that would reasonably be expected to (i) cause an SPA Imposition or (ii) give rise to a material delay in construction of Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project.

(i) This <u>Section 3.19</u> does not relate to tax matters, which are instead the subject of <u>Section 3.16</u> and employee benefits matters, which are instead the subject of <u>Section 3.17</u>.

Section 3.20 NYSE Amex Listing.

The Common Units are listed on the NYSE Amex, and CQP has not received any notice of delisting. The issuance and sale of the Purchased Units and the issuance of Conversion Units in accordance with this Agreement and the CQP Amended Partnership Agreement does not require approval of the holders of Common Units under the NYSE Amex rules and regulations.

Section 3.21 Investment Company.

None of the CQP Entities is now, and immediately after the sale of the Initial Purchased Units to be sold by CQP to the Purchaser hereunder will be, an "investment company" or a company "controlled by" an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Section 3.22 Certain Fees.

Except as have been disclosed in writing to the Purchaser prior to the date of this Agreement, no fees or commissions are or will be payable by the CQP Entities (including pursuant to any Contract to which CEI is a party) to brokers, finders or investment bankers with respect to the consummation of the Transactions.

Section 3.23 Valid Private Placement.

Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Purchaser contained in this Agreement, the sale and issuance of the Purchased Units to the Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, and none of the CQP Entities nor, to the Knowledge of CQP, any authorized agent acting on their behalf, has taken or will take any action hereafter that would cause the loss of such exemptions.

Section 3.24 Material Agreements.

Each material agreement filed (or required to be filed) in the CQP SEC Documents pursuant to Section 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the Commission, including each exhibit to the CQP SEC Documents, including amendments to or other modifications of preexisting material agreements to which any CQP Entity is a party (the "<u>Material Agreements</u>") is, unless otherwise terminated or expired in accordance with its terms (other than as a result of a breach or default thereunder), valid and enforceable against the CQP Entity party thereto, and, to the Knowledge of CQP, the other parties thereto; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the enforceability thereof may be limited by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law) and (iii) public policy, applicable Law relating to fiduciary duties, indemnification and contribution, and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. None of the CQP Entities is in default (with or without due notice or lapse of time or both) under any Material Agreement, which default could



reasonably be expected to result in any material Liability, and to the Knowledge of CQP there have not been any, and no CQP Entity has received any, written notice of default of any CQP Entity under any Material Agreement in the 12 month period prior to the date hereof.

Section 3.25 Books and Records.

(a) Except as disclosed in the CQP Financial Statements, each of the CQP Entities (i) has established and maintains a system of internal accounting control over financial reporting sufficient to comply with all legal and accounting requirements applicable to the CQP Entities, (ii) has disclosed, based on its most recent evaluation of internal controls, to the CQP Entities' auditors and its audit committee, (x) any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of its internal accounting controls which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the CQP Entities', taken as a whole, ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial information, and (y) any fraud known to the CQP Entities that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in internal controls, and (iii) has not received any complaint, allegation, assertion, or claim in writing regarding the accounting practices, procedures, methodologies, or methods of any of the CQP Entities has engaged in questionable accounting or auditing practices.

(b) (i) CQP has established and maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a–15 under the Exchange Act), (ii) such disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by CQP in the reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management of the General Partner, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure to be made and (iii) such disclosure controls and procedures are effective in all material respects in alerting the General Partner in a timely manner to material information required to be disclosed in CQP's reports filed with the Commission.

Section 3.26 Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

Neither (a) any CQP Entity or Service Provider nor (b) to the Knowledge of CQP, any Representative of any CQP Entity, has directly or indirectly, (i) made any unlawful payment to foreign or domestic government officials or employees or to any foreign or domestic political parties or campaigns or violated any provisions of any applicable antibribery Laws, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the "<u>FCPA</u>") or the UK Bribery Act of 2010, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the "<u>UK Act</u>"), or (ii) taken any action that would constitute a violation of any applicable antibribery Laws, including the FCPA or UK Act, including making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA or UK Act. (a) Each CQP Entity and (b) each Affiliate of any CQP Entity, has conducted its business in compliance with the FCPA and the UK Act with

regard to provisions of services to the CQP Entities or exercise of control over the CQP Entities; and CEI maintains policies and procedures applicable to the CQP Entities that are reasonably designed to ensure, and that are reasonably expected to continue to ensure, continued compliance therewith by the CQP Entities.

Section 3.27 Office of Foreign Assets Control.

None of the CQP Entities, nor, to the Knowledge of CQP, any director, officer, agent, employee or Affiliate of a CQP Entity is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department ("<u>OFAC</u>"); and CQP will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds from the sale of the Purchased Units, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other Person, for the purpose of financing the activities of any Person currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by OFAC.

Section 3.28 Intellectual Property.

Except as would not result in a CQP Material Adverse Effect and except as set forth on Schedule 3.28 hereto, each of the CQP Entities owns or possesses the right to use all patents, inventions, copyrights, know-how (including trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures), trademarks, service marks, trade names or other intellectual property (collectively, "Intellectual Property") necessary to carry on the Business as currently conducted and to construct and operate Train 1 and Train 2 of the Liquefaction Project. The consummation of the Transactions (other than the consummation of the CTPL Transaction) will not result in the loss, forfeiture, cancellation, suspension, limitation, termination or other impairment of, or give rise to any right of any Person to cancel, suspend, limit, terminate, or otherwise impair (a) the right of the CQP Entities to own or use or otherwise exercise any other rights that the CQP Entities currently have with respect to any Intellectual Property that is used or held for use in connection with the Business as currently conducted and to construct and operate Train 1 and Train 2 or (b) the rights of CEI and its Affiliates to use or otherwise exercise the rights that CEI and its Affiliates currently have with respect to any Intellectual Property that is used to provide services to the COP Entities pursuant to the Services Agreements, except where such loss, forfeiture, cancellation, suspension, limitation, termination or other impairment would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a CQP Material Adverse Effect. None of the CQP Entities has received any notice or is otherwise aware of any infringement of or conflict with rights of others with respect to any Intellectual Property or of any facts or circumstances that would render any Intellectual Property invalid or inadequate to protect the interests of the CQP Entities. To the Knowledge of CQP, no Person is infringing, misappropriating, diluting or otherwise violating any rights in any Intellectual Property of the CQP Entities.

ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF CEI

CEI represents and warrants to the Purchaser, on and as of the date of this Agreement and on and as of the Initial Funding Date, as follows:

Section 4.01

Authorization; Enforceability; Ownership.

(a) Each of CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) has all requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the other Basic Documents to which it is a party and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The execution and delivery by each of CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) of the Basic Documents to which it is a party, and the consummation of the Transactions to which it is a party, have been, or at the time they are executed and delivered, will be, duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities), as applicable, and no other proceedings on the part of CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) are necessary to authorize the Basic Documents to which any of them are a party or to consummate the Transactions to which they are a party.

(b) Assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery by the Purchaser and the CQP Entities of those Basic Documents to which the Purchaser or a CQP Entity is a party, the Basic Documents to which CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) is a party constitute, or will at the time of Initial Funding constitute, valid and binding obligations of CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities); provided, however, that the enforceability thereof may be limited by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law) and (iii) public policy, applicable Law relating to fiduciary duties, indemnification and contribution, and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.

(c) As of the date of this Agreement, CEI owns, directly or indirectly, 11,963,488 Common Units, 135,383,831 Subordinated Units, the Incentive Distribution Rights and the General Partner Units. CEI owns all of the outstanding equity interests of the General Partner.

Section 4.02 No Breach.

Neither the execution, delivery and performance of the Basic Documents to which CEI and its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) is a party nor the consummation of the Transactions (i) conflict or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a violation of CEI's or its Affiliates' (other than the CQP Entities) certificate of incorporation, bylaws or similar governing documents, as applicable, or (ii) will, as of the Initial Funding, require any consent, approval or notice under, or result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default (or an event which, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any Contract to which CEI or any of its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) is a party (other than conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults that have been, or will be as of the Initial Funding, waived or cured and other than under the CEI Credit Agreement), (iii) will, as of the Initial Funding, violate any Law of any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over CEI or any of its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) or any of the reaction or imposition of any Lien upon any Property of any of CEI or any of its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities), which breaches, violations or defaults or lack of consents, in the case of clauses (ii), (iii) or (iv), could reasonably be expected to



have a material adverse effect on CEI and its Subsidiaries (other than the CQP Entities), taken as a whole.

Section 4.03 CQP Arrangements.

Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.03</u> or through its ownership of equity in CQP as set forth in <u>Section 4.01(c)</u>, neither CEI nor any of its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities), officers or directors (i) own or have any rights or interest in any of the Property, assets and rights used (or to be used in the future) to conduct the Business (other than the CTPL prior to the Initial Funding Date), (ii) have any Contracts with any of the CQP Entities or (iii) provide any services to any of the CQP Entities.

Section 4.04 No Material Adverse Change.

(a) Except as reflected, reserved against or accrued in the CEI Financial Statements (as of December 31, 2011), since January 1, 2012, or as set forth in or contemplated by the Covered CEI SEC Documents existing as of the date hereof (excluding any disclosures set forth in any risk factor section or in any other section to the extent they are forward looking statements or cautionary, predictive or forward-looking in nature), there has not been any obligation or Liability, direct or contingent (including any off-balance sheet obligations), incurred by CEI or its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) that is material to the CQP Entities, taken as a whole.

(b) Except as reflected, reserved against or accrued in the CEI Financial Statements (as of December 31, 2011), since January 1, 2012, there has not been any change, event, occurrence, effect, fact, circumstance or condition that is or would reasonably be expected to (x) adversely affect the ability of CEI or its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) to provide services to the CQP Entities pursuant to the O&M Agreements and/or (y) have, individually or in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on CEI and its Affiliates, taken as a whole.

Section 4.05 Solvency.

CEI is not, and after the consummation of the Transactions will not be, insolvent or unable to pay its debts within the meaning of any applicable insolvency legislation. CEI is able to pay its debts as they become due, and owns Property having a fair saleable value greater than the amounts required to pay its debts as they become absolute and mature, and CEI does not have unreasonably small capital to carry on its business.

Section 4.06 CEI SEC Documents; CEI Financial Statements.

(a) CEI has filed or furnished with the Commission all reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents (including exhibits and other information incorporated therein) required to be filed or furnished by it under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act since January 1, 2009 (all such documents, collectively, the "<u>CEI SEC Documents</u>"). The CEI SEC Documents, at the time filed or furnished (except to the extent corrected by a subsequently filed or furnished Covered CEI SEC Document), (i) did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein (in the light of the circumstances under which they were made in the case of any prospectus)

not misleading and (ii) complied in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the Securities Act, as applicable.

(b) All of the audited financial statements and unaudited interim financial statements of CEI included in the Covered CEI SEC Documents (the "<u>CEI Financial Statements</u>"), at the time filed or furnished (except to the extent corrected by a subsequently filed or furnished Covered CEI SEC Document), (a) were prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto or, in the case of unaudited statements, as permitted by Form 10-Q of the Commission) and (b) fairly present (subject in the case of unaudited statements to normal, recurring and year-end audit adjustments) in all material respects the financial position and results of operations of CEI and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, as of the dates and for the periods indicated. Ernst & Young LLP, who has audited and delivered its reports with respect to the CEI Financial Statements, is an independent registered public accountants of CEI as a result of or in connection with any disagreement with CEI on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedures.

ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PURCHASER

The Purchaser represents and warrants to CQP, on and as of the date of this Agreement and on and as of the Initial Funding Date, as follows:

Section 5.01 Existence.

Each of the Purchaser and the Purchaser's equity holders, is duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its state of formation, with all necessary power and authority to own its Properties and to conduct its business as currently conducted. Neither the Purchaser nor any controlled Affiliate of the Purchaser is a "foreign person" as defined in 31 C.F.R. § 800.213.

Section 5.02 Authorization; Enforceability.

(a) The Purchaser has all requisite limited partnership power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the other Basic Documents to which it is a party and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The execution and delivery by the Purchaser of the Basic Documents to which it is a party, and the performance of its obligations thereunder, have been, or at the time they are executed and delivered, will be, duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by the Purchaser.

(b) Assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of the other parties thereto, the Basic Documents to which such Purchaser is a party constitute or at the time of Initial Funding, will constitute, valid and binding obligations of the Purchaser; provided, however, that the enforceability thereof may be limited by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii)

general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law) and (iii) public policy, applicable Law relating to fiduciary duties, indemnification and contribution, and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.

Section 5.03 No Breach.

None of the execution, delivery and performance of the Basic Documents by the Purchaser and the consummation by the Purchaser of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby (i) conflicts or will, as of the Initial Funding, conflict with or constitutes or will, as of the Initial Funding, constitute a violation of any of the organizational documents of the Purchaser, (ii) requires any consent, approval or notice under or results in a breach or violation of, or constitutes a default (or an event which, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any Contract to which the Purchaser is a party or by which it or any of its Properties may be bound (other than conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults that have been waived or cured), or (iii) subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties in <u>ARTICLE IV</u> (disregarding the references to materiality and CQP Material Adverse Effect therein), violates or will, as of the Initial Funding, violate any Law of any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the Purchaser or any of its Property in a proceeding to which the Purchaser or its Property is or was a party, except in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), for such conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults as would not prevent the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Basic Documents.

Section 5.04 No Approvals.

Subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties in <u>ARTICLE III</u> and <u>ARTICLE IV</u> (disregarding the references to materiality and CQP Material Adverse Effect therein), except for (i) the Regulatory Approvals, (ii) the approvals required by the Commission in connection with any registration statement filed under the Investors' Agreement, (iii) such consents that have been obtained or will be obtained prior to the Initial Funding, and (iv) such consents, approvals, authorizations or orders that, if not obtained would not reasonably adversely impact Purchaser's ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Basic Documents, no consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing or registration with, any Governmental Authority or third party is required in connection with the consummation by the Purchaser of the Transactions to which it is a party.

Section 5.05 Certain Fees.

No fees or commissions, are or will be payable to brokers, finders or investment bankers with respect to the purchase of any of the Purchased Units or the consummation of the Transactions to which the Purchaser is a party as a result of any Contract with the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates.

Section 5.06 Unregistered Securities.

(a) <u>Accredited Investor Status: Sophisticated Purchaser</u>. The Purchaser is an "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501 under the Securities Act and is able to bear the risk of its investment in the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units. The Purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the purchase of the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units.

(b) <u>Information</u>. The Purchaser and its Representatives have been furnished with materials relating to the business, finances and operations of the CQP Entities and relating to the offer and sale of the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units that have been requested by the Purchaser. The Purchaser and its Representatives have been afforded the opportunity to ask questions of CQP or its Representatives. The Purchaser understands and acknowledges that its purchase of the Purchased Units involves a high degree of risk and uncertainty. The Purchaser has sought such accounting, legal and tax advice as it has considered necessary to make an informed investment decision with respect to its investment in the Purchased Units.

(c) <u>Purchaser Representation</u>. The Purchaser is purchasing the Purchased Units for its own account and not with a view to distribution in violation of any securities Laws. The Purchaser understands and acknowledges that there is no public trading market for the Purchased Units and that none is expected to develop until receipt of the Conversion Units. The Purchaser has been advised and understands and acknowledges that none of the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units have been registered under the Securities Act or under the "<u>blue sky</u>" Laws of any jurisdiction and may, subject to the Investors' Agreement, be resold only if registered pursuant to the provisions of the Securities Act (or if eligible, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act or purchaser of the Securities Act. The Purchaser acknowledges and understands that CQP is relying upon, among other things, the representations and warranties of the Purchaser in this Agreement in concluding that the offer and sale of the Class B Units hereunder will be exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

(d) <u>Legend</u>. The Purchaser understands and acknowledges that, until such time as the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units have been registered pursuant to the provisions of the Securities Act, or the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units are eligible for resale, subject to the Investors' Agreement, pursuant to Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act without any restriction as to the number of securities as of a particular date that can then be immediately sold, the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units will bear the following restrictive legend:

"THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED. THESE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED FOR SALE, PLEDGED OR HYPOTHECATED IN THE ABSENCE OF A REGISTRATION STATEMENT IN EFFECT WITH RESPECT TO THE SECURITIES UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION THEREUNDER AND, IN THE CASE OF A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION, UNLESS SOLD PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER SUCH ACT OR THE ISSUER HAS RECEIVED DOCUMENTATION REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO IT THAT SUCH TRANSACTION DOES NOT REQUIRE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT. THIS SECURITY IS SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, DATED AS OF [___], 2012 (AS AMENDED, RESTATED OR OTHERWISE MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME),

AND THE INVESTORS' AND REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT, DATED AS OF [___], 2012, COPIES OF WHICH MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PARTNERSHIP AT ITS PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES."

Section 5.07 CQP Information.

The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that CQP has provided or made available to the Purchaser (through EDGAR, CQP's website or otherwise) all Covered CQP SEC Documents.

Section 5.08 Financing

The Purchaser has sufficient funds readily available to pay the Initial Purchase Price on the Initial Funding Date and the purchase price for the Remaining Units to be purchased pursuant to any Follow-On Funding and has provided to CQP true and correct copies of the Commitment Letters. The Commitment Letters are binding obligations of the parties thereto and are in full force and effect in accordance with their terms; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the enforceability thereof may be limited by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law) and (iii) public policy, applicable Law relating to fiduciary duties, indemnification and contribution, and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.

ARTICLE VI COVENANTS

Section 6.01

Conduct of Business

(a) Subject to applicable Law, except as (i) otherwise required by the Basic Documents, (ii) consented to in writing by the Purchaser or (iii) contemplated on <u>Schedule 6.01</u> (1) CQP shall, and CQP shall cause the CQP Subsidiaries to, and CEI shall cause the General Partner to, use commercially reasonable efforts to, (A) conduct the Business in the Ordinary Course, (B) maintain the assets of the Business in good operating condition suitable in all material respects for their intended purposes (ordinary wear and tear excepted), and (C) in the Ordinary Course, preserve intact the Business and its associated goodwill and preserve intact the CQP Entities' relationships with their material customers, material suppliers and material creditors, and (2) during the Restricted Period, CQP shall not, and CQP shall cause the CQP Subsidiaries not to, and CEI shall cause the General Partner and each of the CQP Entities not to (except for transactions occurring solely with another CQP Entity):

(i) sell, lease, license, transfer, pledge, mortgage, dispose of or encumber any material assets, properties (whether real, personal, tangible or intangible), rights or businesses of the CQP Entities, other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(i) declare, set aside or pay any distribution on any Common Units, Subordinated Units, Incentive Distribution Rights or any other equity securities of CQP that is not consistent with the quarter ending on December 31, 2011;

(iii) amend any Operating Agreement;

(iv) split, combine, subdivide, reclassify or redeem, or purchase or otherwise acquire, any outstanding equity interests, including Common Units, Subordinated Units and Incentive Distribution Rights;

(v) merge or consolidate with any Person or adopt a plan of complete or partial liquidation or authorize or undertake a dissolution, consolidation, restructuring, bankruptcy, recapitalization or other reorganization;

(vi) make a material change in its accounting or Tax principles, methods or policies except as required by applicable regulatory authorities or independent accountants, file any amended Tax Return that could result in a material liability for Taxes to the Purchaser after the Initial Funding, enter into any closing agreement, surrender any right or claim a refund of any Taxes or consent to any extension or waiver of the limitation period applicable to any material Tax claim or assessment relating to the CQP Entities;

(vii) make any new Tax election or change or revoke any existing Tax election, or settle or compromise any Tax liability, that could result in a material liability for Taxes to the Purchaser after the Initial Funding;

(viii) make any acquisition of any (A) assets outside of the Ordinary Course of Business (except for the acquisition of assets contemplated in connection with the construction of the Liquefaction Project in the Ordinary Course of Business) or (B) equity interests of any Person except as contemplated by the CTPL Transaction;

(ix) (A) except as required pursuant any Material Agreement, employ or engage any employees or (B) enter into any collective bargaining agreement or similar contract or agreement;

(x) except as required by applicable Law, (A) enter into, amend or terminate any Plan or adopt or enter into any other employee benefit plan or arrangement that would be considered a Plan if it were in existence as of the date of this Agreement, (B) exercise any discretion to accelerate the vesting or payment of any compensation or benefits under any Plan, (C) grant any new awards under any Plan or (D) take any action to fund the payment of compensation or benefits under any Plan;

(xi) enter into any Contract with CEI or its Affiliates (other than the CQP Entities) that would be inconsistent with the terms of any of the Basic Documents;

(xii) make any payment to CEI;

(xiii) amend or modify or enter into any Service Agreement;

Partner;

- (xiv) approve or allow the resignation of the General Partner or the appointment of any replacement to the General
- (xv) authorize, issue, sell or distribute any equity interests of any of the CQP Entities;
- (xvi) accept proceeds from CEI that is the result of any equity raise that is used to fund the CQP Entities;

(xvii) purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or dispose directly or indirectly any interests or shares of the capital stock or other equity interests or securities of CQP;

(xviii) make any loans, advances or capital contributions to or investments in any Person;

(xix) incur, amend or modify in any material respect the terms of, or refinance, any Indebtedness for borrowed money, guarantee Indebtedness for borrowed money or issue debt securities; or

(xx) authorize or enter into any agreement or commitment with respect to any of the foregoing.

During any period prior to the Initial Funding Date that is not a Restricted Period, if the General Partner or any CQP Entity takes any action described by this Section 6.01(a)(i) or in Schedule 6.01, CQP shall promptly give written notice to the Purchaser of a description of such action in reasonable detail. Furthermore, at least three (3) Business Days before the General Partner or any CQP Entity takes (or authorizes or enters into any agreement or commitment with respect to) any of the actions set forth in Section 6.01(a)(iv), (v), (xv), (xvi), (xviii), (xviii) or (xix) (collectively, the "Special Actions"), CQP shall provide written notice to the Purchaser (an "Action Notice"), which Action Notice shall set forth in reasonable detail a description of the Special Action desired to be taken. Within three (3) Business Days after receipt of an Action Notice, the Purchaser shall have the right to deliver a written notice to CQP stating that the Special Action shall be deemed to be an Alternate Transaction. In connection with the Purchaser's delivery of the notice deeming the Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction, the Purchaser's delivery of the notice pursuant to Section 2.02(a), in which case the General Partner or the applicable CQP Entity shall not be permitted to take the Special Action described in the Action Notice or (y) within thirty (30) days after the Purchaser's delivery of the notice deeming the Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction within three (3) Business Days following the Purchaser's receipt of an Action Notice, then the General Partner or the applicable CQP Entity shall be permitted to a written notice deeming the Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction within three (3) Business Days after the Purchaser's delivery of the notice deeming the Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction within three (3) Business Days after the Purchaser's delivery of the notice deeming the Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction within three (3) Business Days following the Purchaser's

(b) During the period from the date hereof to the Initial Funding Date, except as otherwise required by this Agreement or contemplated on <u>Schedule 6.01</u>, CQP shall give advance written notice as promptly as practicable to the Purchaser, and, except

as the Purchaser otherwise consents in writing in advance (which consent the Purchaser shall either provide or withhold within five days after receipt of the notice from CQP), the Purchaser shall thereafter have the right to terminate its obligations under this Agreement within thirty (30) days after receiving notice of the actual occurrence of the following (which shall be described in reasonable detail in any such notice) if any of the CQP Entities shall:

(i) enter into any Contract outside the Ordinary Course of Business that would be material to the Business (other than the Basic Documents), or terminate or materially extend or modify any Material Agreement (including approving any change orders to Material Agreements), or waive any provision thereunder;

(ii) waive, release or settle any pending or threatened litigation or other proceedings before a Governmental Authority that (A) will require the CQP Entities to pay an amount in excess of \$15 million or (B) cause a CQP Entity to incur (1) any obligation or liability of the CQP Entities in excess of such amount, including costs or revenue reductions or (2) obligations that would impose any material restrictions on the Business or operations of the CQP Entities; or

(iii) authorize or enter into any agreement or commitment with respect to any of the foregoing;

provided, however, that CQP shall not take any actions set forth in <u>Section 6.01</u> with the intent to preclude the consummation of the Transactions in a timely manner.

Section 6.02 Use of Proceeds.

CQP shall apply all the proceeds from the sale of the Purchased Units, net of fees and expenses related to the negotiation and consummation of the Basic Documents, to (i) fund the equity portion of the costs of developing, constructing and placing into service Train 1 and Train 2, (ii) to fund the CTPL Transaction, capital expenditures for the expansion of the CTPL and related additional compression capabilities required to service the Liquefaction Project, (iii) operating expenses and Taxes of the CTPL during construction of the Liquefaction Project and (iv) for other related business purposes of the CQP Entities.

Section 6.03

Commercially Reasonable Efforts; Further Assurances.

(a) Prior to Initial Funding, CEI and CQP shall, and CQP shall cause the other CQP Entities to, and CEI shall cause its Affiliates to, (i) use its commercially reasonable efforts to consummate the Transactions (including to cause all of the conditions to Initial Funding set forth herein to be satisfied as promptly as practicable) and to obtain as promptly as practicable and maintain without Impairment all authorizations, consents, orders and approvals of all Governmental Authorities that the Purchaser or CQP reasonably determines may be or may become necessary or proper under this Agreement, the other Basic Documents and applicable Laws to be obtained to consummate and make effective the Transactions, (ii) subject to such limitations as set forth in this Section 6.03(a), take all actions as may be reasonably requested by any such Governmental Authority to obtain such authorizations, orders and approvals and (iii) cooperate with the reasonable

requests of each other in seeking to obtain as promptly as practicable and to maintain without material Impairment all such authorizations, consents, orders and approvals. Prior to Initial Funding, CEI and CQP shall not, and CQP shall cause the CQP Subsidiaries not to, and CEI shall cause its Affiliates not to, take or cause to be taken any action that it is aware or should reasonably be aware would have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding in any material respect the receipt or making of any such required authorizations, consents, orders, approvals or filings or the consummation of the Transactions.

(b) Each of CEI and CQP shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to secure the Foreign Trade Zone designation for the Liquefaction Project until such time as it is determined by CQP that it is no longer in CQP's best interest to secure such Foreign Trade Zone designation.

(c) Prior to the Initial Funding, CQP shall provide the Purchaser with drafts of material filings to be made by any CQP Entity with the FERC and the DOE prior to submission thereof and the Purchaser shall have twenty-four (24) hours after receipt thereof to provide any comments thereto which CQP shall in good faith consider.

(d) CQP shall (i) file with the NYSE Amex the proper form or other notification and required supporting documentation, and provide to the NYSE Amex any other requested information, related to the Conversion Units and (ii) issue the Purchased Units and the Conversion Units in compliance with applicable NYSE Amex rules and regulations.

Section 6.04

Public Disclosure; Confidentiality.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, except as may be required to comply with the requirements of any applicable Law and the rules and regulations of the Commission or the NYSE Amex, and except for ordinary course notices or communications to limited partners, Investors or any Affiliate of the Purchaser or any Purchaser Affiliate, neither CEI, CQP nor the Purchaser shall, and CEI, CQP and the Purchaser will cause their respective Affiliates and Representatives not to, from and after the date hereof, issue any press release or other public communication in respect of this Agreement or otherwise disclose the identity of, or any other information concerning, the other parties without (i) the prior written approval of the other parties (which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed by any party) and (ii) providing CEI, CQP or the Purchaser, as applicable, a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on such disclosure (with such comments being incorporated or reflected, to the extent reasonable, in any such disclosure); provided, however, that the Purchaser Affiliates shall be entitled to disclose such information to any investor or prospective investor in Purchaser Affiliate that is subject to an obligation of confidentiality with respect to such information with respect to marketing activities; provided, further, that nothing in this Section 6.04(a) shall delay any required filing or other disclosure with the NYSE Amex or any Governmental Authority or otherwise hinder the CQP Entities', the Purchaser's or their respective Affiliates' or Representatives' ability to timely comply with all Laws or rules and regulations of the NYSE Amex or any Governmental Authority.

(b) Purchaser agrees that it will keep confidential and will not disclose, divulge or use for any purpose, other than to monitor its potential investment in CQP, any CQP Confidential

Information obtained from the CQP Entities pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; provided, however, that the Purchaser may disclose the CQP Confidential Information (i) to its Representatives specified in clause (i) of the definition thereof who have a need to know such information in connection with the Purchaser's investment in CQP (subject to each such authorized recipient of such confidential information agreeing to keep such information confidential and *provided* that the Purchaser shall be liable for any breach of confidentiality by any such recipient); (ii) to any limited partner, investor or prospective investor of the Purchaser in connection with marketing activities by the Purchaser (subject to each such authorized recipient of such confidential information agreeing to keep such information confidential and *provided* that the Purchaser shall be liable for any breach of confidentiality by any such recipient); (iii) in its periodic reports required under the Exchange Act or any registration statement or prospectus under the Securities Act or the extent; (A) the Purchaser is advised by legal counsel that such disclosure is required to comply with the Securities Act or the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder, (B) the Purchaser takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure, and (C) the Purchaser advises CQP of any such proposed disclosure prior to its filing and consults with CQP as to the nature and extent of such disclosure; and (iv) as may otherwise be (A) required by Law or (B) in connection with any claims or actions relating to the Purchaser or its Affiliates or Representatives, to the extent required by subpoena or court of competent jurisdiction or by a governmental or administrative body, *provided* that (x) the Purchaser is advised by legal counsel that such disclosure; and (z) to the extent permitted by applicable Law, the Purchaser takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure, and (z)

(c) CEI agrees that it will (and it will cause its Affiliates to) keep confidential and will not disclose, divulge or use for any purpose any Purchaser Confidential Information obtained from the Purchaser or its Affiliates pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that CEI or its Affiliates may disclose such information (i) to their respective Representatives who have a need to know such information confidential and *provided* that CEI shall be liable for any breach of confidentiality by any such recipient); (ii) in periodic reports required under the Exchange Act or any registration statement or prospectus under the Securities Act to the extent, and only to the extent: (A) CEI is advised by legal counsel that such disclosure is required to comply with the Securities Act or the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder, (B) CEI takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure; and (iv) as may otherwise be (A) required by Law or (B) in connection with the Purchaser as to the nature and extent of such disclosure; and (iv) as may otherwise be (A) required by Law or (B) in connection with any claims or actions relating to CEI or its Affiliates or Representatives, to the extent required by subpoena or court of competent jurisdiction or by a governmental or administrative body; *provided* that (x) CEI is advised by legal counsel that such disclosure is required, (y) CEI takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such disclosure prior to its release (including the nature and extent of such disclosure) and affords the Purchaser of any such disclosure prior to its release (including the nature and extent of such disclosure) and affords the Purchaser the reasonable opportunity to limit such disclosure.

Section 6.05

CTPL Transaction, CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and CEI Subscription Agreement

CEI and CQP shall use (and shall cause their respective Subsidiaries to use) their respective commercially reasonable efforts to consummate the CTPL Transaction and the transactions contemplated by the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and the CEI Subscription Agreement prior to or simultaneously with the Initial Funding in accordance with the terms of the CTPL Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and the CEI Subscription Agreement, which agreements shall not be materially amended or modified after the date hereof without the prior written consent of the Purchaser. Each of CEI and CQP shall promptly enforce its rights under the CTPL Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and the CEI Subscription Agreement, and neither CEI nor CQP shall or shall permit any of their respective Subsidiaries to (x) waive any of its rights or any of the conditions precedent under the CTPL Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party pursuant to the CTPL Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or the CEI Subscription Agreement or (z) terminate the CTPL Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or the CEI Subscription Agreement without the consent of the Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or the CEI Subscription Agreement without the consent of the Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or the CEI Subscription Agreement or the CTPL Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or th

Section 6.06 Labor Costs

Without the prior written consent of the Purchaser, from the date of this Agreement to the Initial Funding Date, CEI and its Affiliates shall not (a) amend the Services Agreements (except for the amendments pursuant to <u>Section 6.11</u>), (b) cause the cost of the Services Agreements to CQP or any other CQP Entity to increase above 110% of the Services Budget (in the aggregate for the period from January 1, 2012 through the applicable month), and (c) charge any other fees or expenses to any CQP Entity outside the Service Agreements.

Section 6.07

Notification of Certain Matters

(a) Prior to the Initial Funding Date, CEI and CQP shall give prompt written notice to the Purchaser of the occurrence or non-occurrence, to the actual knowledge of CEI and to the actual knowledge of CQP, respectively, and the Purchaser shall give prompt written notice to CEI and CQP of the occurrence or non-occurrence, to its actual knowledge, of any event which is likely (a) to cause any representation or warranty of such party contained in this Agreement to be untrue or inaccurate if made as of the Initial Funding Date, (b) to result in a material failure of such party to comply with or satisfy any covenant, condition or agreement to be complied with or satisfied hereunder or (c) to result in the failure of any condition to be satisfied; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 6.07 shall not limit or otherwise affect the remedies available hereunder to any of the parties receiving such notice.

(b) Between the date hereof and the day immediately prior to the Initial Funding Date, CQP may notify Buyer in writing about the occurrence of an SPA Imposition (a "<u>SPA Imposition Notice</u>"). Any SPA Imposition Notice shall (i) set forth in reasonable detail (a) the

specific event or events and the facts, circumstances or conditions related thereto causing the SPA Imposition and (b) the nature of the SPA Imposition, including the Existing SPA impacted by the SPA Imposition (collectively, the "<u>SPA Imposition Event</u>"), (ii) acknowledge a SPA Imposition Event has occurred and would continue to occur until the Outside Date and (iii) state that the Purchaser has an irrevocable right to terminate the Agreement pursuant to <u>Section 8.01(f)</u>. In the event that CQP delivers a SPA Imposition Notice and the Purchaser does not subsequently exercise its right to terminate the Agreement, the Purchaser shall not have any claim for indemnification with respect to such SPA Imposition Event.

Section 6.08 Other Proposals

(a) On the date hereof, CEI and CQP shall, and shall cause each of their respective Subsidiaries and Representatives to, immediately cease and cause to be terminated all existing discussions and negotiations with any Person (other than the Purchaser and its Representatives) conducted heretofore with respect to any CQP Investment Proposal.

(b) Subject to Section 6.01(a), during the periods (i) beginning on the date hereof, and continuing until the earliest of (x) 11:59 (EST) on the date that is 120 days after the date hereof, (y) the Initial Funding and (z) termination of this Agreement in accordance with <u>ARTICLE III</u> and (ii) beginning on the date that any party delivers a Funding Notice pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(a)</u> and continuing until the earliest of (x) the Initial Funding, (y) termination of this Agreement in accordance with <u>ARTICLE VIII</u> and (z) thirty (30) days after delivery of the Funding Notice (the periods in clauses (i) and (ii), the "<u>Restricted Period</u>"), CEI and CQP shall not, and shall cause their respective Subsidiaries and Representatives not to, directly or indirectly, (A) solicit, initiate or knowingly encourage, or take any other action to knowingly facilitate, the making of any proposal that constitutes or is reasonably likely to lead to a CQP Investment Proposal or (B) enter into, continue or otherwise participate in any discussions or negotiations regarding, or furnish to any Person any confidential information with respect to, any CQP Investment Proposal (the activities in clauses (A) and (B), the "<u>Restricted Activities</u>").

(c) During any period that is not a Restricted Period, CEI, CQP and their respective Subsidiaries and Representatives may undertake the Restricted Activities; provided, however CEI and CQP shall not, and shall cause their respective Subsidiaries and Representatives not to, enter into or agree to enter into any Contract relating to a CQP Investment Proposal (an "<u>Alternate Transaction</u>") unless (i) CQP has provided written notice (the "<u>Alternate Transaction Notice</u>") to the Purchaser stating that CQP is, and CQP reasonably believes in good faith that the parties to the Alternate Transaction and the parties to the Project Financing are, ready and able to consummate the Alternate Transaction and the Project Financing promptly, and that such consummation is not subject to (x) the satisfaction of the condition precedents set forth in Section 2.03(a)(ii), (iii), or (v) and (y) any conditions precedent that CQP reasonably believes in good faith would impede the ability of such consummation to occur within twenty (20) Business Days thereafter, (ii) CQP has provided reasonable evidence to the Purchaser of the availability of capital from the third parties to the Alternate Transaction, (iii) the Purchaser has not provided a Funding Notice and (iv) CQP shall have paid to the Purchaser all reasonable documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Purchaser and its Affiliates in

connection with the negotiation, execution and activities related to the potential consummation of the Basic Documents and the Transactions, including related due diligence in respect of CQP and its Affiliates prior to entering into any Contract relating to an Alternate Transaction.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this <u>Section 6.08</u>, CEI at any time can transfer all of the equity interests in the General Partner and the equity interests in the Services Companies (i) to another wholly-owned Subsidiary of CEI or any CQP Entity or (ii) to a single Person acquiring 100% of the equity interests in the General Partner, 100% of the equity interests in all of the Services Companies and all of the Incentive Distribution Rights; provided that the transferees of the foregoing agree to be bound by the applicable Basic Documents.

Section 6.09

Access to Information

From the date hereof until the Initial Funding Date, CEI (including by causing its Affiliates) and CQP shall, and CQP shall cause the other CQP Entities to, as applicable (i) permit the Purchaser and its Representatives (as specified in clause (i) of the definition thereof) to have reasonable access (during normal business hours) to the Properties, Contracts, books and records of the CQP Entities and the General Partner, the personnel providing services to the CQP Entities, and any other information reasonably requested by the Purchaser upon providing at least twenty-four hours advance notice to CQP and (ii) provide the Purchaser notice of any meetings of the Board and copies of written information furnished to the attendees of Board meetings, which CQP deems appropriate to provide to the Purchaser, (iii) at such times as the Purchaser may reasonably request, consult with CQP and its Representatives (as specified in clause (i) of the definition thereof) regarding the Business of the CQP Entities and (iv) upon reasonable notice, make executive officers of the General Partner (and any other individuals on <u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u>) regularly available to the Purchaser and its Representatives (as specified in clause (i) of the definition thereof) during normal business hours to discuss the foregoing and the status of communications and interactions between the CQP Entities and Governmental Authorities.

Section 6.10

Financing Cooperation

To the extent requested by the Purchaser, the Purchaser and CQP shall, and shall cause their respective Representatives to, and CEI shall cause the General Partner to, cooperate and collaborate with respect to the arrangement and consummation of any equity or debt financing of any of the CQP Entities (including the Project Financing) after the date hereof.

Section 6.11

Amended Service Agreements

Subject to the terms contemplated by <u>Schedule 6.11</u>, CQP and CEI shall, or shall cause their applicable Subsidiaries to, enter into, or amend and restate, as applicable, each of the following Contracts in a form reasonably acceptable to the Purchaser to contain the same terms as the corresponding Service Agreements relating to the Liquefaction Project (as such terms shall be revised in good faith to account for the applicable parties thereto and for the applicable services to be provided to and by the counterparties to each such Contract):

(a) the Management Services Agreement by and between Sabine Pass

LNG-GP, Inc. and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of February 25, 2005, as amended, and as assigned pursuant to that certain Assignment, Assumption, Consent and Release Agreement by and among Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc., Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of August 15, 2008;

(b) the Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass LNG Facilities) by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of February 25, 2005, as amended, and as assigned pursuant to that certain Assignment, Assumption, Consent and Release Agreement by and among Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P., the General Partner, and Sabine Pass LNG, dated as of March 26, 2007;

(c) the Operation and Maintenance Services Agreement (Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline), by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., dated as of November 26, 2007, as amended, and as to be assigned pursuant to the Assignment, Assumption, Consent and Release Agreement by and among Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC and the General Partner; and

(d) a Management Services Agreement to be entered into on the date of the Initial Funding between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P.

ARTICLE VII INDEMNIFICATION, COSTS AND EXPENSES

Section 7.01 Indemnification by CEI.

(a) From and after the Initial Funding Date, CEI shall indemnify the Purchaser and each of its Representatives (collectively, "<u>Purchaser Related Parties</u>") from, and hold each of them harmless against, any and all losses, claims, actions, suits, proceedings, penalties, demands and causes of action, and, in connection therewith, pay or reimburse each of them for all reasonable costs, losses, liabilities, damages, Taxes or expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever (including the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel) (collectively, "<u>Losses</u>"), whether or not involving a Third Party Claim (defined below), as a result of, arising out of, or in any way related to:

(i) the failure of any of the representations or warranties made by CEI contained herein to be true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof and as of the Initial Funding Date;

(ii) the breach of any of the covenants of CEI contained herein;

(iii) the failure of any of the representations or warranties made by CQP contained herein to be true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof and as of the Initial Funding Date;

(iv) the breach of any of the covenants of CQP contained herein; or

(v) any claim made by CEI or its Affiliates (other than CQP) relating to the breach of any of the representations and warranties made by CQP pursuant to Sections 1(b),

1(c) and 1(d) of the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement or the CEI Subscription Agreement (measured based upon the net Losses suffered by CQP and the Purchaser in respect thereof).

(b) The indemnification by CEI contained in <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> is subject to the following limitations:

(i) Indemnification by CEI pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(iii) and Section 7.01(a)(iv) shall only be available to the Purchaser Related Parties after the Purchaser Related Parties have received indemnification from CQP pursuant to Section 7.02(a)(i) or Section 7.02(a)(ii) in an aggregate amount equal to \$100,000,000 (the "COP Indemnification Initial Amount"). After the CQP Indemnification Initial Amount has been received by the Purchaser, CEI and CQP shall split equally all amounts owed to the Purchaser Related Parties pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(iii), Section 7.01(a)(iv), Section 7.02(a)(i) or Section 7.02(a)(ii) (subject to the other limitations set forth in Section 7.01(b));

(ii) Other than in respect of indemnification for Losses relating to the failure of the Core Representations and Warranties being true and correct as of the date hereof or as of the Initial Funding Date, the aggregate liability of (A) CEI and CQP for indemnification pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(i), Section 7.01(a)(iii), and Section 7.02(a)(i) shall not exceed \$500,000,000 in the aggregate (the "Aggregate Cap"), and (B) CEI and CQP for indemnification pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(ii), Section 7.01(a)(iii) shall not exceed the Purchase Price; provided, however, that in all events the aggregate liability for CEI for indemnification pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(v) shall not exceed the Purchase Price;

(iii) The Purchaser Related Parties shall not be permitted to seek indemnification pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(i), Section 7.01(a)(ii) or Section 7.02(a)(i) (except in respect of Losses relating to fraud, willful misconduct or the failure of the Core Representations and Warranties to be true and correct as of the date hereof or as of the Initial Funding Date) unless and until the Purchaser Related Parties have suffered aggregate Losses for which the Purchaser Related Parties are entitled to indemnification pursuant to (a) Section 7.01(a)(i), Section 7.01(a)(ii) or Section 7.02(a)(i) for breaches of the representations and warranties contained in Section 3.11(a)(i) or Section 4.04(a) in excess of \$50,000,000, after which CEI and CQP shall, subject to the other limitations set forth in Section 7.01(a)(ii) and Section 7.02(a)(i) (for breaches of representations and warranties other than those contained in Section 7.01(a)(ii) and Section 7.02(a)(i) (for breaches of representations and warranties other than those contained in Section 7.01(a)(i), which shall be subject to the \$50,000,000 deductible in the preceding clause (a) rather than the \$15,000,000 deductible in this clause (b)) in excess of \$15,000,000, after which CEI and CQP shall, subject to the other limitations set forth in Section 7.02(b), provide indemnification for amounts in excess of \$15,000,000;

(iv) CEI may elect, in its discretion, to pay any Losses owed to a Purchaser Related Party pursuant to <u>Section</u> <u>7.01(a)</u> in the form of cash or freely tradable common shares of CEI (free and clear of all Liens) (<u>CEI Equity</u>). The value of any CEI Equity shall be deemed to be the trading price of CEI Equity as reported on the NYSE Amex (or such other national securities exchange on which the CEI Equity is listed for trading) upon the close of trading on

the relevant national securities exchange on the Business Day prior to the day on which such indemnification payment is to be paid; and

(v) Other than (i) the representations and warranties contained in <u>Section 3.01</u> (Formation and Qualification; Citizenship), <u>Section 3.02</u> (Ownership of Subsidiaries), <u>Section 3.03</u> (No Other Subsidiaries), <u>Section 3.04</u> (Authorization; Enforceability; Valid Issuance), <u>Section 3.05</u> (No Preemptive Rights; Registration Rights or Options), <u>Section 3.06</u> (Capitalization), <u>Section 3.07(i)</u> (No Breach), <u>Section 3.22</u> (Certain Fees), <u>Section 4.01</u> (Authorization; Enforceability; Ownership), and <u>Section 4.02(i)</u> (No Breach) and <u>Section 4.03(ii)</u> (CQP Arrangements) (collectively, the "<u>Core Representations and Warranties</u>"), which (other than <u>Section 4.03(ii)</u>) shall survive indefinitely, (ii) the representations and warranties contained in <u>Section 3.15</u> (Employment Related Matters), <u>Section 4.03(ii)</u> that Matters), and <u>Section 3.17</u> (Employee Benefit Plans), which shall survive for three (3) years following the Initial Funding Date, (iii) the representations and warranties contained in <u>Section 4.04</u> (No Material Adverse Change) and <u>Section 4.06(a)</u> (CEI SEC Documents), which shall terminate on the Initial Funding Date, the representations and warranties of CQP and CEI contained in this Agreement shall survive for the longer of (a) twelve (12) months following the Initial Funding Date and (b) ten (10) Business Days following delivery to the Purchaser of the final annual consolidated audited financial statements of the CQP Entities for the fiscal year during which the Initial Funding occurs (the <u>"Representation Termination Date</u>"). After the Representation Termination Date, the representation remination Date, the Purchaser Related Parties shall not be entitled to seek indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)(i)</u>, Section 7.01(a)(ii) or Section 7.02(a)(i) relating to the failure of any of the representations and Warranties; <u>provided</u>, however, that if an indemnification claim is properly asserted pursuant to this <u>ARTICLE VII</u> prior to the Representation Termination Date, then such representation a

Section 7.02 Indemnification by CQP.

(a) From and after the Initial Funding Date, CQP shall indemnify each Purchaser Related Party, from, and hold each of them harmless against, any and all Losses, whether or not involving a Third Party Claim, as a result of, arising out of, or in any way related to:

(i) the failure of any of the representations or warranties made by CQP contained herein to be true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof and as of the Initial Funding Date; or

(ii) the breach of any of the covenants of CQP contained herein.

(b) In all events, the aggregate liability of CQP for indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 7.02(a)</u> shall not exceed the Purchase Price.

(c) CQP may elect, in its discretion, to pay any Losses owed to a Purchaser Related Party pursuant to <u>Section 7.02(a)</u> in the form of cash or Class B Units (or a combination thereof); <u>provided</u>, that CQP shall not be permitted to pay in the form of Class B Units to the extent it would cause the Purchaser and its Affiliates to own greater than 98% of the aggregate number of outstanding Common Units and Class B Units of CQP (calculated treating the Class B Units as if they are converted into Common Units at the then-applicable conversion rate). The value of any Class B Units that CQP shall issue as an indemnification payment shall be deemed to be the trading price of the Common Units of CQP as reported on the NYSE Amex (or such other national securities exchange on which the Common Units of CQP is listed for trading) upon the close of trading on the relevant national securities exchange on the Business Day prior to the day on which such indemnification payment is to be paid.

Section 7.03 Indemnification by the Purchaser.

(a) From and after the Initial Funding Date, the Purchaser shall indemnify the CQP Entities and their respective Representatives (collectively, "<u>CQP Related Parties</u>") from, and hold each of them harmless against, any and all Losses, whether or not involving a Third Party Claim, as a result of, arising out of, or in any way related to:

(i) the failure of any of the representations or warranties made by the Purchaser contained herein to be true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof and as of the Initial Funding Date; or

- (ii) the breach of any of the covenants of the Purchaser contained herein.
- (b) The indemnification by the Purchaser contained in <u>Section 7.03(a)</u> is subject to the following limitations:

(i) Other than in respect of indemnification for Losses relating to the failure of the Purchaser Core Representations and Warranties being true and correct as of the date hereof or the Initial Funding Date, the aggregate liability of the Purchaser for indemnification pursuant to (A) Section 7.03(a)(i) shall not exceed \$500,000,0000 and (B) Section 7.03(a)(i) shall not exceed the Purchase Price;

(ii) The CQP Related Parties shall not be permitted to seek indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 7.03(a)(i)</u> (except in respect of Losses arising out of fraud, willful misconduct or, the failure of the Purchaser Core Representations and Warranties to be true and correct as of the date hereof or as of the Initial Funding Date or the failure of such Purchaser to pay the Purchase Price when due on the Initial Funding Date) unless and until the CQP Related Parties have suffered aggregate Losses for which the CQP Related Parties are entitled to indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 7.03(a)(i)</u> from the Purchaser (notwithstanding this <u>Section 7.03(b)(ii)</u>) in excess of \$15,000,000, after which the Purchaser shall, subject to <u>Section 7.03(b)(i)</u>, provide indemnification for amounts in excess of \$15,000,000;

(iii) The Purchaser may elect, in its discretion, to pay any Losses owed to a CQP Related Party pursuant to <u>Section</u> <u>7.03(a)</u> in the form of cash, Class B Units or Common

Units (or a combination thereof). The value of any Class B Units or Common Units that the Purchaser shall use to make an indemnification payment shall be deemed to be the trading price of the Common Units as reported on the NYSE Amex (or such other national securities exchange on which the Common Units is listed for trading) upon the close of trading on the relevant national securities exchange on the Business Day prior to the day on which such indemnification payment is to be paid; and

(iv) Other than the representations contained in <u>Section 5.01</u> (Existence), <u>Section 5.02</u> (Authorization; Enforceability) and <u>Section 5.05</u> (Certain Fees) (collectively, the "<u>Purchaser Core Representations and Warranties</u>"), which shall survive indefinitely, the representations and warranties of the Purchaser contained in this Agreement shall survive until the Representation Termination Date. After the Representation Termination Date, the CQP Related Parties shall not be entitled to seek indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 7.03(a)(i)</u> relating to the failure of any of the representations and Warranties; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if an indemnification claim is properly asserted pursuant to this <u>ARTICLE VII</u> prior to the Representation Termination Date, then such representation and warranty shall survive until, but only for the purpose of, the resolution of such claim.

Section 7.04 Indemnification Procedures.

(a) A claim for indemnification for any matter not involving a Third Party Claim shall be promptly asserted by written notice to the party from whom indemnification is sought; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the failure to provide prompt written notice shall not limit the right to indemnification hereunder except to the extent of the increase in the Losses suffered as a result in the delay of such notice.

(b) Promptly after any CQP Related Party or Purchaser Related Party (hereinafter, the "<u>Indemnified Party</u>") has received written notice of any indemnifiable claim hereunder, or the commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by a Person who is not an Affiliate of a party, which the Indemnified Party believes in good faith is an indemnifiable claim under this Agreement (each, a "<u>Third Party Claim</u>"), the Indemnified Party shall give the indemnitor hereunder (the "<u>Indemnifying Party</u>") written notice of such Third Party Claim but failure to so notify the Indemnifying Party will not relieve the Indemnifying Party from any liability it may have to such Indemnified Party hereunder except to the extent that the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced by such failure (and then only to the extent of the increased Losses resulting from such material prejudice). Such written notice shall state the nature and the basis of such Third Party Claim to the extent then known. The Indemnifying Party (x) agrees in writing to assume the defense within fifteen (15) Business Days of receiving notice of the Third Party Claim, (y) pursues the same diligently and in good faith, and (z) can reasonably demonstrate that it has sufficient funds (or equity to transfer to the extent permitted to make indemnification payments in the form of equity pursuant to this Agreement) readily available to pay the Losses alleged with respect to the Third Party Claim and (B) the Losses alleged with respect to the Third Party Claim are not greater than the remaining indemnification such party is required to provide pursuant to <u>Section 7.02</u> or <u>Section 7.03</u>, as appropriate. If the Indemnifying Party

properly undertakes to defend or settle such Third Party Claim in accordance with the previous sentence and the Indemnified Party shall reasonably cooperate with the Indemnifying Party and its counsel in all commercially reasonable respects in the defense thereof and/or the settlement thereof. Such cooperation shall include, but shall not be limited to, furnishing the Indemnifying Party with any books, records and other information reasonably requested by the Indemnifying Party and in the Indemnified Party's possession or control. Such cooperation of the Indemnified Party shall be at the cost of the Indemnifying Party for any reasonable documented travel or other out-of-pocket expenses of the Indemnified Party of its intention to undertake to defend or settle any such asserted liability in accordance with this <u>Section 7.04(b)</u>, and for so long as the Indemnified Party diligently pursues such defense or settlement of such asserted liability; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Indemnified Party shall be entitled (i) at its expense, to participate in the defense of such Third Party Claim and any negotiations of the settlement thereof and (ii) if the defendants in any such action include both the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party and counsel to the Indemnified Party shall have concluded that there may be reasonable defenses available to the Indemnifying Party, then the Indemnified Party shall have the right to select a separate counsel and to assume such settlement or legal defense and otherwise to participate in the defense of such as incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of the interests of the Indemnifying Party shall not settle any the indemnified Party shall have the right to select a separate counsel and to assume such settlement or legal defense and otherwise to participate in the defense of such as incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Indemnifying Party shall not settle any third Party Claim without the consent of the Indemnifying Party, unless the settlement

Section 7.05

Limitation of Liability.

IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PARTY HERETO BE LIABLE HEREUNDER FOR EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE, SPECIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, REGARDLESS OF SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, OR DEFECT IN PREMISES, EQUIPMENT OR MATERIAL, AND REGARDLESS OF WHETHER PRE-EXISTING THIS AGREEMENT OR THE OTHER BASIC DOCUMENTS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PAYABLE TO A PERSON THAT IS NOT A PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT (OR AN AFFILIATE THEREOF) IN CONNECTION WITH A THIRD PARTY CLAIM. FOR PURPOSES OF CLARIFICATION, AND WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE PURCHASER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO SEEK DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE DECREASE IN VALUE OF CLASS B UNITS OWNED BY THE PURCHASER AS A CONSEQUENCE OF (X) A BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT BY CEI OR CQP OR (Y) <u>SECTION 7.01(a)(v)</u>; HOWEVER, THE PURCHASER SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO SEEK DAMAGES OR LOSES ARISING FROM (I) LOST OPPORTUNITY COSTS OF THE PURCHASER, ANY INVESTORS OR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES (SUCH AS ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS THAT COULD HAVE BEEN PURSUED BUT WERE NOT) OR (II) CLAIMS RELATING TO FINANCING OR

COMMITMENTS THAT THE PURCHASER, ANY INVESTOR OR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES MAY HAVE ENTERED INTO IN ORDER TO CONSUMMATE THE TRANSACTIONS.

Section 7.06

Other Matters.

(a) For purposes of determining the amount of any Loss with respect to any breach or inaccuracy of a representation or warranty pursuant to Section 7.01(a)(i), Section 7.01(a)(iii), Section 7.02(a)(i) or Section 7.03(a)(i), no effect shall be given to the terms "material", "Material Adverse Effect" or other qualifications of similar import contained therein.

(b) All indemnification payments under this <u>ARTICLE VII</u> shall be adjustments to the Purchase Price, except as otherwise required by applicable Law.

(c) No party shall have liability under this Agreement following the Initial Funding Date except (i) as is provided in this <u>ARTICLE VII</u>, (ii) claims or causes of action arising from fraud or (iii) for specific performance as provided in <u>Section 9.09</u>.

ARTICLE VIII TERMINATION

Section 8.01 Termination.

This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Initial Funding:

(a) by the mutual written consent of the Purchaser and CQP;

(b) by either the Purchaser or CQP, by giving written notice of such termination to the other party, if the Initial Funding shall not have occurred on or prior to December 31, 2012 (such date, the "<u>Outside Date</u>"); <u>provided</u>, that the right to terminate this Agreement under this <u>Section 8.01(b)</u> shall not be available to CQP, if the failure for the Initial Funding to occur prior to the Outside Date has been caused by, or resulted from, the failure of CQP or CEI to take any action required by CQP or CEI pursuant to this Agreement;

(c) by either the Purchaser or CQP, if any court of competent jurisdiction or a Governmental Authority shall have issued an order, decree or ruling or taken any other action permanently restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting the Transactions, and such order, decree, ruling or other action shall have become final and nonappealable;

(d) by CQP, if the Purchaser has breached any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach (x) would result in the failure of the conditions set forth in Section 2.03(c)(i) or Section 2.03(c)(i) and (y) cannot be or is not cured prior to the Outside Date or is not cured within thirty (30) days after CQP has provided notice of such breach; provided, however, that CQP is not then in material breach of this Agreement so as to cause any of the conditions set forth in Section 2.03(b)(i) or Section 2.03(b)(i) not to be satisfied;

(e) by the Purchaser, if CQP shall have breached any of its representations,

warranties, covenants or agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach (x) would result in the failure of the conditions set forth in <u>Section 2.03(b)(i)</u> or <u>Section 2.03(b)(ii)</u> and (y) cannot be or is not cured prior to the Outside Date or is not cured within thirty (30) days after the Purchaser has provided notice of such breach; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Purchaser is not then in material breach of this Agreement so as to cause any of the conditions set forth in <u>Section 2.03(c)(i)</u> or <u>Section 2.03(c)(ii)</u> not to be satisfied;

(f) by the Purchaser, within thirty (30) days following delivery by CQP of an SPA Imposition Notice;

(g) by the Purchaser in accordance with <u>Section 6.01(b)</u>;

(h) by CQP if the Guaranty is no longer in full force and effect as a result of Blackstone Capital Partners VI L.P. having filed for bankruptcy protection under the applicable federal bankruptcy laws;

(i) by either the Purchaser or CQP, if CQP has delivered an Alternate Transaction Notice and the Purchaser has not provided a Funding Notice pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(a)</u> on or before ten (10) Business Days following CQP's delivery of the Alternate Transaction Notice to the Purchaser; <u>provided</u> that CQP shall not be permitted to terminate the Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 8.01(i)</u> unless CQP has paid to the Purchaser all reasonable documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Purchaser and its Affiliates in connection with the negotiation, execution and activities related to the potential consummation of the Basic Documents and the Transactions, including related due diligence in respect of CQP and its Affiliates;

(j) by CQP if (w) a party has delivered a Funding Notice pursuant to $\underline{Section 2.02(a)}$, (x) at least eleven (11) Business Days have passed following the delivery of such Funding Notice, (y) all of the conditions to Initial Funding set forth in $\underline{Section 2.03(a)}$ and $\underline{Section 2.03(b)}$ are satisfied (or are then-capable of being satisfied on the Initial Funding Date) and (z) the Purchaser has not provided an Initial Funding Date Notice at such time when each of the preceding clauses (w), (x) and (y) are satisfied;

(k) by Purchaser if (x) a party has delivered a Funding Notice pursuant to Section 2.02(a), (y) at least eleven (11) Business Days have passed following the delivery of such Funding Notice, and (z) the Purchaser has not provided an Initial Funding Date Notice at such time when each of the preceding clauses (x) and (y) are satisfied; or

(1) by Purchaser within thirty (30) days of delivering a notice deeming a Special Action to be an Alternate Transaction pursuant to Section 6.01(a).

Section 8.02 Effect of Termination.

In the event of the termination of this Agreement as provided in Section 8.01, the provisions of this Agreement shall forthwith become void and there shall be no liability on the part of any party to this Agreement, except for the provisions of (i) Section 6.04(b) and Section 6.04(c), which shall survive for eighteen (18) months from the date of such termination and (ii) Section 8.01, this Section

<u>8.02</u>, <u>Section 8.03</u> and <u>ARTICLE IX</u> (excluding <u>Section 9.03</u> but including any related definitional provisions in <u>ARTICLE I</u>), all of which shall survive indefinitely; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that except as otherwise set forth herein, nothing herein shall relieve any party from Liability for any willful breach hereof prior to such termination; it being understood and agreed that Purchaser shall have no obligation to deliver any Funding Notice or Initial Funding Date Notice or to take any other actions to assist the Initial Funding to occur.

Section 8.03 Expense Reimbursement

Without limiting any of the Purchaser's rights hereunder, including the right to seek compensation for Losses related to any breach of this Agreement, in the event this Agreement is terminated (or is terminated in any other manner but could have been terminated) pursuant to Section 8.01(a), Section 8.01(b), Section 8.01(c), Section 8.01(e), Section 8.01(f), Section 8.01(g), Section 8.01(j), Section 8.01(j) (if any of the events set forth on Schedule 8.03 shall have occurred), Section 8.01(k) (if any of the events set forth on Schedule 8.03 shall have occurred), Section 8.01(k) (if any of the events set forth on Schedule 8.03 shall have occurred), Section 8.01(k) (if any of the events set forth on Schedule 8.03 shall have occurred) activities related to the potential consummation of the Basic Documents and the Transactions, including related due diligence in respect of CQP and its Affiliates. CQP shall make any payment owed to the Purchaser pursuant to this Section 8.03 by wire transfer of immediately available funds no later than two (2) Business Days after termination of this Agreement (except in connection with a termination by CQP pursuant to Section 8.01(i), in which case CQP shall pay such amount prior to termination).

ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.01 Interpretation.

Article, Section, Exhibit and Schedule references in this Agreement are references to the corresponding Article, Section, Exhibit and Schedule to this Agreement, unless otherwise specified. All Schedules to this Agreement are hereby incorporated and made a part hereof as if set forth in full herein and are an integral part of this Agreement. All references to instruments, documents, Contracts and agreements are references to such instruments, documents, Contracts and agreements as the same may be amended, supplemented and otherwise modified from time to time, unless otherwise specified. The word "including" shall mean "including but not limited to" and shall not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it. Whenever CQP has an obligation under the Basic Documents, the expense of complying with that obligation shall be an expense of CQP unless otherwise specified. Whenever any determination, consent or approval is to be made or given by the Purchaser or CQP, such action shall be in such party's sole discretion, unless otherwise specified and this Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal, invalid, not binding or unenforceable, (i) such provision shall be fully severable and this Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal, invalid, not binding or unenforceable provision had never comprised a part of the this Agreement, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect and (ii) the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner in order that the Transactions are consummated as originally

contemplated to the greatest extent possible. When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period shall be excluded. If the last day of such period is a non-Business Day, the period in question shall end on the next succeeding Business Day. Any words imparting the singular number only shall include the plural and vice versa. The words such as "herein," "hereinafter," "hereof" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a subdivision in which such words appear unless the context otherwise requires. The provision of a Table of Contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in construing or interpreting this Agreement.

Section 9.02 No Waiver; Modifications in Writing.

(a) No failure or delay on the part of any party in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. The remedies provided for herein are cumulative and are not exclusive of any remedies that may be available to a party at Law or in equity or otherwise.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, no amendment, waiver, consent, modification or termination of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless signed by each of the parties hereto or thereto affected by such amendment, waiver, consent, modification or termination. Any amendment, supplement or modification of or to any provision of this Agreement, any waiver of any provision of this Agreement and any consent to any departure by a party from the terms of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which made or given. Except where notice is specifically required by this Agreement, no notice to or demand on a party in any case shall entitle such party to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances. Any investigation by or on behalf of any party shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver by the party taking such action of compliance with any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement contained herein.

Section 9.03 Binding Effect; Assignment.

(a) This Agreement shall be binding upon CQP, CEI, the Purchaser and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, this Agreement shall not be construed so as to confer any right or benefit upon any Person other than the parties to this Agreement and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

(b) The Purchaser's rights and obligations hereunder (including the right to seek indemnification) may be transferred or assigned in whole or in part by the Purchaser to any Purchaser Affiliate without the consent of any party; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such Person is not a "foreign person" as defined in 31 C.F.R. § 800.213. Upon any such permitted transfer or assignment, references in this Agreement to the Purchaser (as they apply to the transferor or assignor, as the case may be) shall thereafter apply to such transferee or assignee of the Purchaser unless the context otherwise requires. Without the written consent of CQP, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, no portion of the rights and obligations of the Purchaser under this Agreement may be

assigned or transferred by the Purchaser or such a transferee of the Purchaser to a Person that is not a Purchaser Affiliate. No portion of the rights and obligations of CQP or CEI under this Agreement may be transferred or assigned without the prior written consent of the Purchaser, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 9.04 Communications.

All notices and demands provided for hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given by hand delivery, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, regular mail, facsimile, email or air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery to the following addresses:

(a) If to the Purchaser:

Blackstone CQP Holdco LP 345 Park Avenue, 44th Floor New York, NY 10154 Attn: David Foley Sean Klimczak Fax: (646) 253-7517 Email: foley@blackstone.com klimczak@blackstone.com

with a copy to:

Latham & Watkins LLP 885 Third Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attn: David S. Allinson Charles E. Carpenter Fax: (212) 751-4864 Email: <u>david.allinson@lw.com</u> charlie.carpenter@lw.com

(b) If to CQP:

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, TX 77002 Attn: Meg A. Gentle Fax: (713) 375-6276 Email: meg.gentle@cheniere.com

with a copy to:

Andrews Kurth LLP 600 Travis, Suite 4200 Houston, TX 77002 Attn: David Buck Meredith Mouer Fax: (713) 238-7409 Email: <u>davidbuck@andrewskurth.com</u> meredithmouer@andrewskurth.com

(c) If to CEI:

Cheniere Energy, Inc 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, TX 77002 Attn: Meg A. Gentle Fax: (713) 325-6276 Email: meg.gentle@cheniere.com

with a copy to:

Andrews Kurth LLP 600 Travis, Suite 4200 Houston, TX 77002 Attn: David Buck Meredith Mouer Fax: (713) 238-7409 Email: <u>davidbuck@andrewskurth.com</u> meredithmouer@andrewskurth.com

or to such other address as CQP or the Purchaser may designate in writing. All notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: (i) at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; (ii) upon actual receipt if sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or regular mail, if mailed; (iii) when receipt is acknowledged, if sent by facsimile; (iv) upon confirmation of receipt of delivery, if sent by email; and (v) upon actual receipt when delivered to an air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery.

Section 9.05 Removal of Legend.

(a) Subject to the Investors' Agreement, the Purchaser may request CQP to remove the legend set forth in <u>Section 5.06(d)</u> from the certificates evidencing the Purchased Units by submitting to CQP such certificates, together with an opinion of counsel to the effect that such legend is no longer required under the Securities Act or applicable state Laws as the case may be, as CQP may request; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no opinion of counsel shall be required if the Purchaser is effecting a sale of Purchased Units pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act (and the Purchaser

delivers a Rule 144 Representation Letter to CQP) or the Conversion Units have been registered under the Securities Act pursuant to an effective registration statement. CQP shall cooperate with the Purchaser to effect removal of such legend.

(b) Certificates evidencing Conversion Units shall not contain any legend (including the legend set forth in <u>Section</u> <u>5.06(d)</u>), (i) while a registration statement covering the resale of such security is effective under the Securities Act and the Purchaser delivers to CQP a representation letter agreeing that such Conversion Units will be sold under such effective registration statement, or (ii) following any sale of such Conversion Units pursuant to Rule 144, or (iii) if such legend is not required under applicable requirements of the Securities Act (including judicial interpretations and pronouncements issued by the staff of the Commission).

Section 9.06 Entire Agreement.

This Agreement, the other Basic Documents and the other agreements and documents referred to herein and therein are intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein and therein. There are no restrictions, promises, warranties or undertakings, other than those set forth or referred to herein or in the other Basic Documents with respect to the rights granted by CQP or any of its Affiliates or the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates set forth herein or therein. This Agreement, the other Basic Documents and the other agreements and documents referred to herein or therein supersede all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to such subject matter.

Section 9.07 Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction.

This Agreement, and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or tort) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement), will be construed in accordance with and governed by the Laws of the State of Delaware without regard to principles of conflicts of Laws. Any action against any party relating to the foregoing shall be brought in any federal or state court of competent jurisdiction located within the State of Delaware, and the parties hereto hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any federal or state court located within the State of Delaware over any such action. The parties hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, any objection that they may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such dispute brought in such court or any defense of inconvenient forum for the maintenance of such dispute. Each of the parties hereto agrees that a judgment in any such dispute may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by Law.

Section 9.08 Waiver of Jury Trial.

EACH PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT HEREBY WAIVES, AND AGREES TO CAUSE ITS AFFILIATES TO WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION

(i) ARISING UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR (ii) IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH OR RELATED OR INCIDENTAL TO THE DEALINGS OF THE PARTIES HERETO IN RESPECT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OF THE TRANSACTIONS RELATED HERETO, IN EACH CASE WHETHER NOW EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ARISING, AND WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT, EQUITY OR OTHERWISE. THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT EACH HEREBY AGREES AND CONSENTS THAT ANY SUCH CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION SHALL BE DECIDED BY COURT TRIAL WITHOUT A JURY AND THAT THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT OF A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT WITH ANY COURT AS WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF THE CONSENT OF THE PARTIES HERETO TO THE WAIVER OF THEIR RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY.

Section 9.09 Specific Performance.

The parties agree that irreparable damage for which monetary damages, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, would occur in the event that the parties do not perform the provisions of this Agreement in accordance with their specified terms or otherwise breach such provisions. It is accordingly agreed that the Purchaser shall be entitled to an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief to prevent breaches of this Agreement by CQP and CEI and to enforce specifically all terms and provisions hereof, this being in addition to any other remedy to which it is entitled at Law or in equity. The parties hereto further acknowledge and agree that CQP shall be entitled to an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief only to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of, and to prevent breaches of, <u>Section 6.04</u> by the Purchaser and not with respect to any other Sections hereof. Subject to the limitations set forth in this <u>Section 9.09</u>, each party agrees that it will not oppose the granting of an injunction, specific performance or other equitable relief has an adequate remedy at Law.

Section 9.10 Third Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. None of the provisions of this Agreement, whether express or implied, shall be construed to give any Person, other than the parties or their respective successors and permitted assigns, any legal or equitable right, remedy, claim or benefit under or in respect of this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (i) the Purchaser Related Parties shall be third party beneficiaries for the purposes of <u>Section 7.01</u> and <u>Section 7.02</u> and (ii) CQP Related Parties shall be third party beneficiaries for the purposes of <u>Section 7.03</u>.

Section 9.11 Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which counterparts, when so executed and delivered, shall be deemed to be an original and all of which counterparts, taken together, shall constitute but one and the same agreement.

Section 9.12 Terminated Agreements

Effective as of the date of this Agreement, that certain (a) Summary Term Sheet, dated as of February 25, 2012, and letter agreement, dated March 19, 2012, each among CEI, CQP, Blackstone Capital Partners VI L.P. and Blackstone Energy Partners L.P. and (b) Confidentiality Agreement, including the binding provisions thereof, are hereby terminated and of no further force and effect. Blackstone Capital Partners VI L.P. and Blackstone Energy Partners L.P. shall be third party beneficiaries of this <u>Section 9.12</u>.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto execute this Agreement, effective as of the date first above written.

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

- By: Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC its general partner
- By: /s/ Meg A. Gentle Name: Meg A. Gentle
 - Title: Chief Financial Officer

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Graham A. McArthur

Name:	Graham A. McArthur
Title:	Vice President and Treasurer

[Signature Page to Unit Purchase Agreement]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto execute this Agreement, effective as of the date first above written.

BLACKSTONE CQP HOLDCO LP

- By: Blackstone CQP Holdco GP LLC, its general partner
- By: Blackstone Management Associates VI L.L.C., its sole member
- By: BMA VI L.L.C., its sole member
- By: /s/ David I. Foley Name: David I. Foley Title: Senior Managing Director

[Signature Page to Unit Purchase Agreement]

Exhibit A

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

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SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

THIS SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P., dated as of [_____], 2012, is entered into by and between Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the general partner of the Partnership (the "*General Partner*"), and the Limited Partners as provided herein. In consideration of the covenants, conditions and agreements contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 *Definitions*.

The following definitions shall be for all purposes, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary, applied to the terms used in this Agreement.

"2011 EPC Contract" means that certain Lump Sum Turnkey Agreement for the Engineering, Procurement and Construction of the Sabine Pass LNG Liquefaction Facility, dated November 11, 2011, between Sabine Pass Liquefaction and Bechtel Oil, Gas & Chemicals, Inc. as in effect on the original date of the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Acquisition" means any transaction in which any Group Member acquires (through an asset acquisition, merger, stock acquisition or other form of investment) control over all or a portion of the assets, properties or business of another Person for the purpose of increasing the operating capacity or asset base of the Partnership Group from the operating capacity or asset base of the Partnership Group existing immediately prior to such transaction.

"Actual Conversion Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(C).

"Additional Book Basis" means the portion of any remaining Carrying Value of an Adjusted Property that is attributable to positive adjustments made to such Carrying Value as a result of Book-Up Events. For purposes of determining the extent that Carrying Value constitutes Additional Book Basis:

(a) Any negative adjustment made to the Carrying Value of an Adjusted Property as a result of either a Book-Down Event or a Book-Up Event shall first be deemed to offset or decrease that portion of the Carrying Value of such Adjusted Property that is attributable to any prior positive adjustments made thereto pursuant to a Book-Up Event or Book-Down Event.

(b) If Carrying Value that constitutes Additional Book Basis is reduced as a result of a Book-Down Event and the Carrying Value of other property is increased as a result of such Book-Down Event, an allocable portion of any such increase in Carrying Value shall

be treated as Additional Book Basis; *provided, however*, that the amount treated as Additional Book Basis pursuant hereto as a result of such Book-Down Event shall not exceed the amount by which the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments after such Book-Down Event exceeds the remaining Additional Book Basis attributable to all of the Partnership's Adjusted Property after such Book-Down Event (determined without regard to the application of this clause (b) to such Book-Down Event).

"Additional Book Basis Derivative Items" means any Book Basis Derivative Items that are computed with reference to Additional Book Basis. To the extent that the Additional Book Basis attributable to all of the Partnership's Adjusted Property as of the beginning of any taxable period exceeds the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments as of the beginning of such period (the "*Excess Additional Book Basis*"), the Additional Book Basis Derivative Items for such period shall be reduced by the amount that bears the same ratio to the amount of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items determined without regard to this sentence as the Excess Additional Book Basis bears to the Additional Book Basis as of the beginning of such period.

"Additional Limited Partner" means a Person admitted to the Partnership as a Limited Partner pursuant to Section 10.4 and who is shown as such on the books and records of the Partnership.

"Adjusted Capital Account" means the Capital Account maintained for each Partner as of the end of each fiscal year of the Partnership, (a) increased by any amounts that such Partner is obligated to restore under the standards set by Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(c) (or is deemed obligated to restore under Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-2(g) and 1.704-2(i)(5)) and (b) decreased by (i) the amount of all losses and deductions that, as of the end of such fiscal year, are reasonably expected to be allocated to such Partner in subsequent years under Sections 704(e)(2) and 706(d) of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.751-1(b)(2)(ii), and (ii) the amount of all distributions that, as of the end of such fiscal year, are reasonably expected to be made to such Partner in subsequent years in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or otherwise to the extent they exceed offsetting increases to such Partner's Capital Account that are reasonably expected to occur during (or prior to) the year in which such distributions are reasonably expected to be made (other than increases as a result of a minimum gain chargeback pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(i) or Section 6.1(d)(i)). The foregoing definition of Adjusted Capital Account is intended to comply with the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith. The "Adjusted Capital Account" of a Partner in respect of a General Partner Unit, a Common Unit, a Class B Unit, a Subordinated Unit, an Incentive Distribution Right or any other Partnership Interest shall be the amount that such Adjusted Capital Account would be if such General Partner Unit, Common Unit, Subordinated Unit, Incentive Distribution Right or other Partnership Interest were the only interest in the Partnership held by such Partner from and after the date on which such General Partner Unit, Common Unit, Class B Unit, Subordinated Unit, Incentive Distribution Right or other Partnership Interest was first iss

"Adjusted Operating Surplus" means, with respect to any period, Operating Surplus generated with respect to such period (a) less (i) any net increase in Working Capital Borrowings with respect to such period and (ii) any net decrease in cash reserves for Operating Expenditures

with respect to such period not relating to an Operating Expenditure made with respect to such period, and (b) plus (i) any net decrease in Working Capital Borrowings with respect to such period, and (ii) any net increase in cash reserves for Operating Expenditures with respect to such period required by any debt instrument for the repayment of principal, interest or premium. Adjusted Operating Surplus does not include that portion of Operating Surplus included in clause (a)(i) of the definition of Operating Surplus. Cash amounts held in the Distribution Reserve Account or amounts released therefrom shall not constitute Adjusted Operating Surplus.

"Adjusted Property" means any property the Carrying Value of which has been adjusted pursuant to Section 5.5(d)(i) or Section 5.5(d) (ii).

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by or is under common control with, the Person in question. As used herein, the term "control" means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments" means, as of the end of any taxable period, the sum of the Remaining Net Positive Adjustments of all the Partners.

"*Agreed Allocation*" means any allocation, other than a Required Allocation, of an item of income, gain, loss or deduction pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.1, including a Curative Allocation (if appropriate to the context in which the term "*Agreed Allocation*" is used).

"Agreed Value" of any Contributed Property means the fair market value of such property or other consideration at the time of contribution as determined by the General Partner. The General Partner shall use such method as it determines to be appropriate to allocate the aggregate Agreed Value of Contributed Properties contributed to the Partnership in a single or integrated transaction among each separate property on a basis proportional to the fair market value of each Contributed Property.

"Agreement" means this Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Applicable Funding Date" means, (i) with respect to the CEI Class B Units and the CTPL Class B Units, the CEI Class B Initial Funding Date, and (ii) with respect to the Purchaser Class B Units, the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date.

"Assignee" means a Person to whom one or more Limited Partner Interests have been transferred in a manner permitted under this Agreement and who has executed and delivered a Transfer Application, as required by this Agreement, but who has not been admitted as a Substituted Limited Partner.

"Assignment Agreement" means the Assignment Agreement, dated as of March 26, 2007, between O&M Services, the General Partner and Sabine Pass LNG.

"Associate" means, when used to indicate a relationship with any Person, (a) any corporation or organization of which such Person is a director, officer or partner or is, directly or indirectly, the owner of 20% or more of any class of voting stock or other voting interest; (b) any trust or other estate in which such Person has at least a 20% beneficial interest or as to which such Person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; and (c) any relative or spouse of such Person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same principal residence as such Person.

"Available Cash" means, with respect to any Quarter ending prior to the Liquidation Date:

(a) the sum of (i) all cash and cash equivalents of the Partnership Group (or the Partnership's proportionate share of cash and cash equivalents in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned) on hand at the end of such Quarter, (ii) all additional cash and cash equivalents of the Partnership Group (or the Partnership's proportionate share of cash and cash equivalents in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned) on hand on the date of determination of Available Cash with respect to such Quarter resulting from Working Capital Borrowings made subsequent to the end of such Quarter and (iii) the amount in the Distribution Reserve Account equal to the sum of the Initial Quarterly Distribution times the number of Outstanding Common Units and Outstanding General Partner Units on the Record Date for such Quarter (or, for the Quarter in which the closing of the Initial Public Offering occurs, such amount multiplied by a fraction, of which the numerator is the number of days in the period from the closing of the Initial Public Offering through the end of such Quarter and of which the denominator is the number of days in such Quarter) but only to the extent such amounts are necessary to make distributions pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(i) and Section 6.4(a)(ii) for such Quarter, less

(b) the amount of any cash reserves (or the Partnership's proportionate share of cash reserves in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned) established by the General Partner to (i) provide for the proper conduct of the business of the Partnership Group (including reserves for future capital expenditures, for anticipated future credit needs of the Partnership Group and for refunds of collected rates reasonably likely to be refunded as a result of a settlement or hearing relating to FERC rate proceedings) subsequent to such Quarter, (ii) comply with applicable law or any loan agreement, security agreement, mortgage, debt instrument or other agreement or obligation to which any Group Member is a party or by which it is bound or its assets are subject or (iii) provide funds for distributions under Section 6.4 or Section 6.5 in respect of any one or more of the next four Quarters; *provided, however*, that the General Partner may not establish cash reserves pursuant to clause (iii) above if the effect of such reserves would be that the Partnership is unable to distribute the Initial Quarterly Distribution on all Common Units, plus any Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage on all Common Units, with respect to such Quarter; and, *provided further*, that disbursements made by a Group Member or cash reserves established, increased or reduced after the end of such Quarter but on or before the date of determination of Available Cash with respect to such Quarter if the General Partner so determining Available Cash, to have been made, established, increased or reduced within such Quarter if the General Partner so determines.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Available Cash" with respect to the Quarter in which the Liquidation Date occurs and any subsequent Quarter shall equal zero.

"Basic Documents" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Board of Directors" means, with respect to the General Partner, its board of directors or managers, as applicable, if a corporation or limited liability company. If any successor General Partner is a limited partnership, and its general partner is a corporation or limited liability company, the "Board of Directors" shall mean the board of directors or board of managers of the general partner of the General Partner.

"Book Basis Derivative Items" means any item of income, deduction, gain or loss included in the determination of Net Income or Net Loss that is computed with reference to the Carrying Value of an Adjusted Property (e.g., depreciation, depletion, or gain or loss with respect to an Adjusted Property).

"Book-Down Event" means an event that triggers a negative adjustment to the Capital Accounts of the Partners pursuant to Section 5.5(d).

"Book-Tax Disparity" means with respect to any item of Contributed Property or Adjusted Property, as of the date of any determination, the difference between the Carrying Value of such Contributed Property or Adjusted Property and the adjusted basis thereof for federal income tax purposes as of such date. A Partner's share of the Partnership's Book-Tax Disparities in all of its Contributed Property and Adjusted Property will be reflected by the difference between such Partner's Capital Account balance as maintained pursuant to Section 5.5 and the hypothetical balance of such Partner's Capital Account computed as if it had been maintained strictly in accordance with federal income tax accounting principles.

"Book-Up Event" means an event that triggers a positive adjustment to the Capital Accounts of the Partners pursuant to Section 5.5(d).

"Business Day" means Monday through Friday of each week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the States of New York or Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"*Capital Account*" means the capital account maintained for a Partner pursuant to Section 5.5. The "Capital Account" of a Partner in respect of a General Partner Unit, a Common Unit, a Class B Unit, a Subordinated Unit, an Incentive Distribution Right or any other Partnership Interest shall be the amount that such Capital Account would be if such General Partner Unit, Common Unit, Class B Unit, Subordinated Unit, Incentive Distribution Right or other Partnership Interest were the only interest in the Partnership held by such Partner from and after the date on which such General Partner Unit, Common Unit, Class B Unit, Subordinated Unit, Incentive Distribution Right or other Partnership Interest was first issued.

"Capital Contribution" means any cash, cash equivalents or the Net Agreed Value of Contributed Property (which, in the case of a Capital Contribution by the General Partner pursuant to Section 5.2(b) may include Units (other than General Partner Units and Subordinated Units) owned by the General Partner) that a Partner contributes to the Partnership.

"*Capital Improvement*" means any (a) addition or improvement to the capital assets owned by any Group Member, (b) acquisition of existing, or the construction of new, capital assets (including pipelines, gathering lines, liquefaction facilities, regasification facilities, processing plants, LNG carriers, docks, terminals, truck racks, pipeline compression facilities, tankage and other storage, gathering and distribution facilities and related or similar assets) or (c) capital contribution by a Group Member to a Person that is not a Subsidiary in which a Group Member has an equity interest, to fund the Group Member's pro rata share of the cost of the acquisition of existing, or the construction of new, capital assets (including pipelines, gathering lines, liquefaction facilities, regasification facilities, processing plants, LNG carriers, docks, terminals, truck racks, pipeline compression facilities, regasification facilities, processing plants, LNG carriers, docks, terminals, truck racks, pipeline compression facilities, tankage and other storage, gathering and distribution facilities and related or similar assets), in each case if such addition, improvement, acquisition or construction is made to increase the operating capacity or asset base of the Partnership Group, in the case of clauses (a) and (b), or such Person, in the case of clause (c), from the operating capacity or asset base of the Partnership Group or such Person, as the case may be, immediately prior to such addition, improvement, acquisition or construction is made solely for investment purposes it shall not constitute a Capital Improvement under this Agreement.

"Capital Surplus" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.3(a).

"Carrying Value" means (a) with respect to a Contributed Property, the Agreed Value of such property reduced (but not below zero) by all depreciation, amortization and cost recovery deductions charged to the Partners' and Assignees' Capital Accounts in respect of such Contributed Property, and (b) with respect to any other Partnership property, the adjusted basis of such property for federal income tax purposes, all as of the time of determination. The Carrying Value of any property shall be adjusted from time to time in accordance with Section 5.5(d)(i) and Section 5.5(d)(ii) and to reflect changes, additions or other adjustments to the Carrying Value for dispositions and acquisitions of Partnership properties, as deemed appropriate by the General Partner.

"Cause" means a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a final, non-appealable judgment finding the General Partner liable for actual fraud or willful misconduct in its capacity as a general partner of the Partnership.

"CEI" means Cheniere Energy, Inc.

"CEI Class B Initial Funding Date" means the Initial Funding Date of CEI under the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement.

"CEI Class B Units" means up to 33,333,334 Class B Units issued to the CEI Holder on the CEI Class B Initial Funding Date pursuant to the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement.

"CEI Holder" means the General Partner or one or more of its Affiliates.

"CEI Subscription Agreement" means that certain subscription agreement described in the Unit Purchase Agreement whereby the CEI Holder has acquired the CTPL Class B Units.

"CEI Unit Purchase Agreement" means the unit purchase agreement described in the Unit Purchase Agreement whereby the CEI Holder has acquired the CEI Class B Units.

"Certificate" means (a) a certificate (i) substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> to this Agreement, (ii) issued in global form in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Depositary or (iii) in such other form as may be adopted by the General Partner, issued by the Partnership evidencing ownership of one or more Common Units; or (b) a certificate, in such form as may be adopted by the General Partner, issued by the Partnership evidencing ownership of one or more other Partnership Securities.

"*Certificate of Limited Partnership*" means the Certificate of Limited Partnership of the Partnership filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as referenced in Section 7.2, as such Certificate of Limited Partnership may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Cheniere LNG Holdings" means Cheniere LNG Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Cheniere Marketing" means Cheniere Marketing, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"*Citizenship Certification*" means a properly completed certificate in such form as may be specified by the General Partner by which an Assignee or a Limited Partner certifies that such Assignee or Limited Partner (and if such Assignee or Limited Partner is a nominee holding for the account of another Person, that to the best of such Assignee's or Limited Partner's knowledge such other Person) is an Eligible Citizen.

"Claim" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.12(d).

"Class B Accrual Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(ii)(A).

"Class B Accrual Rate" means an amount equal to 3.5%.

¹ If the Partnership and CEI determine to pre-fund notice to proceed by issuance of Class B Units, the Partnership, CEI and the Purchaser agree: (i) to enter into an interim amendment to the existing partnership agreement, (ii) to revise this Agreement accordingly and (iii) if CEI pre-funds at least \$167,000,000, then all of the CEI Class B Units shall begin to accrue on the date of such pre-funding.



"Class B Conversion Notice" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(C).

"Class B Conversion Notice Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(C).

"Class B Conversion Price" means an amount equal to \$15.00 per Class B Unit (as adjusted for splits and combinations).

"Class B Conversion Value" means, with respect to each Class B Unit as of the date of such determination, an amount equal to the Class B Issue Price, as increased or adjusted pursuant to Section 5.12.

"Class B Debt Lower Adjustment Factor" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(ix).

"Class B Debt Upper Adjustment Factor" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(ix).

"Class B Dilutive Issuance" means the issuance after ______, 2012 of any Equity Securities in one or more transactions in connection with the completion of Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 or Train 4 to the extent exceeding 25,500,000 Common Unit Equivalents and associated General Partner Units in the aggregate; *provided, however*, that the following shall be excluded from the foregoing determination: (a) the issuance of Common Units upon the conversion of the Class B Units; (b) adjustments pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(ix); (c) the issuance of (1) Units pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement, (2) the CEI Class B Units and (3) the CTPL Class B Units; and (d) any issuances from the Partnership's equity incentive plans in effect from time to time for the benefit of the members of the Board of Directors.

"Class B Issue Price" means \$15.00 per Class B Unit (as adjusted for splits and combinations).

"Class B Non-Converted Liquidation Accrual" means an amount per Class B Unit equal to the Class B Issue Price multiplied annually by 8.5% during the period commencing on the Applicable Funding Date and ending on the Liquidation Date, adjusted in a manner consistent with Section 5.12(b)(ix).

"Class B Quarterly Accrual" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(ii).

"Class B Units" means the series of Units designated as senior subordinated units pursuant to Section 5.12.

"Closing Date" means the first date on which Common Units were issued and sold by the Partnership to the Underwriters pursuant to the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement.

"Closing Price" means, in respect of any class of Limited Partner Interests, as of the date of determination, the last sale price on such day, regular way, or, in case no such sale takes place

on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on such day, regular way, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the principal National Securities Exchange on which the respective Limited Partner Interests are listed or admitted to trading or, if such Limited Partner Interests are not listed or admitted to trading on any National Securities Exchange, the last quoted price on such day or, if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices on such day in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the primary reporting system then in use in relation to such Limited Partner Interests of such class, or, if on any such day such Limited Partner Interests of such class are not quoted by any such organization, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on such day as furnished by a professional market maker making a market in such Limited Partner Interests of such class, the fair value of such Limited Partner Interests on such day as determined by the General Partner Interests of such class, the fair value of such Limited Partner Interests on such day as determined by the General Partner.

"*Code*" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time. Any reference herein to a specific Section or Sections of the Code shall be deemed to include a reference to any corresponding provision of any successor law.

"Combined Interest" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.3(a).

"Commences Commercial Service" means the date upon which a Capital Improvement is first put into commercial service following construction and testing.

"Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Commodity Hedge Contract" means any commodity exchange, swap, forward, cap, floor collar or other similar agreement or arrangement entered into for the purpose of reducing the exposure of the Partnership Group to fluctuations in the price of hydrocarbons (including liquefied natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas) in their operations and not for speculative purposes.

"Common Unit" means a Unit representing a fractional part of the Partnership Interests of all Limited Partners and Assignees having the rights and obligations specified with respect to Common Units in this Agreement. The term "Common Unit" does not include a Class B Unit or a Subordinated Unit prior to its conversion into a Common Unit pursuant to the terms hereof.

"*Common Unit Arrearage*" means, with respect to any Common Unit, whenever issued, as to any Quarter within the Subordination Period, the excess, if any, of (a) the Initial Quarterly Distribution with respect to a Common Unit in respect of such Quarter over (b) the sum of all Available Cash distributed with respect to a Common Unit in respect of such Quarter pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(i).

"*Common Unit Equivalent*" means any of (x) a Common Unit (y), in the case of an issuance of an Equity Security exercisable, exchangeable, or convertible into a Common Unit, the equivalent number of Common Units for which such other issuance of Equity Securities is exercisable, exchangeable or convertible into, on an accreted and Fully Diluted Basis and (z) in the case of any Equity Securities other than those contemplated by the preceding clauses (x) and (y), the number

of Common Units with the same value as such Equity Securities, as such value is determined by the Board of Directors in good faith at the time of issuance of such Equity Securities. If the Common Unit Equivalent has a paid-in-kind or accreting conversion feature, then the number of Common Unit Equivalents shall be increased to take into account the number of Common Units (or other Equity Securities) that could be issued, exchanged for or converted into such Common Unit Equivalent based upon the forecast presented to the Board of Directors in connection with approving the issuance of such Common Unit Equivalents.

"Conflicts Committee" means a committee of the Board of Directors of the General Partner composed entirely of two or more directors, each of whom (a) is not a security holder, officer or employee of the General Partner, (b) is not an officer, director or employee of any Affiliate of the General Partner, (c) is not a holder of any ownership interest in the Partnership Group other than Common Units or any other class of Limited Partner Units then listed for trading on any National Securities Exchange and (d) meets the independence standards required of directors who serve on an audit committee of a board of directors established by the Securities Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and by any National Securities Exchange on which the Common Units are listed or admitted to trading.

"Contracted Adjusted Operating Surplus" shall mean the amount of Adjusted Operating Surplus derived solely from LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements and terminal use agreements, in each case, with a minimum term of three years with counterparties who are not Affiliates of CEI. The calculation excludes revenues and expenses attributable to the portion of payments made under the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements related to the final settlement price for the New York Mercantile Exchange's Henry Hub natural gas futures contract for the month in which the relevant cargo's delivery window is scheduled.

"*Contributed Property*" means each property or other asset, in such form as may be permitted by the Delaware Act, but excluding cash, contributed to the Partnership. Once the Carrying Value of a Contributed Property is adjusted pursuant to Section 5.5(d), such property shall no longer constitute a Contributed Property, but shall be deemed an Adjusted Property.

"Contribution Agreement" means that certain Contribution and Conveyance Agreement dated as of the Closing Date, among the Partnership, the General Partner and certain other parties, together with the additional conveyance documents and instruments contemplated or referenced thereunder, as such may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Converted Class B Unit" means a Common Unit resulting from the conversion of a Class B Unit pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi).

"Crest Royalty Agreement" means the assumption, assignment and indemnity agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, among the Partnership, the General Partner, Cheniere LNG Holdings and Cheniere Energy, Inc.

"CTPL" means that certain natural gas pipeline owned by Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., which interconnects with the Sabine Pass LNG terminal to points of interconnection with existing interstate and intrastate natural gas pipelines in southwest Louisiana.

"CTPL Class B Units" means the 12 million Class B Units issued by the Partnership to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. or an Affiliate thereof pursuant to the CEI Subscription Agreement.

"*CTPL Expenditures*" means cash expenditures (including expenditures for the acquisition, addition or improvement to CTPL) if such expenditures are made to acquire, own, operate, or maintain, including over the long term, the operating capacity of CTPL prior to the Date of First Commercial Delivery, including, but not limited to, taxes, payments to the General Partner in reimbursement of expenses incurred by the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership Group, repayment of Working Capital Borrowings, debt service payments and interest payments.

"Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage" means, with respect to any Common Unit, whenever issued, and as of the end of any Quarter, the excess, if any, of (a) the sum resulting from adding together the Common Unit Arrearage as to an Initial Common Unit for each of the Quarters within the Subordination Period ending on or before the last day of such Quarter over (b) the sum of any distributions theretofore made pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(ii) and the second sentence of Section 6.5 with respect to an Initial Common Unit (including any distributions to be made in respect of the last of such Quarters).

"Curative Allocation" means any allocation of an item of income, gain, deduction, loss or credit pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.1(d)(xii).

"Current Market Price" means, in respect of any class of Limited Partner Interests, as of the date of determination, the average of the daily Closing Prices per Limited Partner Interest of such class for the 20 consecutive Trading Days immediately prior to such date.

"Date of First Commercial Delivery" has the meaning set forth in the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated November 21, 2011, between Sabine Pass Liquefaction and Gas Natural Aprovisionamientos SDG S.A.

"Delaware Act" means the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, 6 Del C. Section 17-101, et seq., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"Departing General Partner" means a former General Partner from and after the effective date of any withdrawal or removal of such former General Partner pursuant to Section 11.1 or Section 11.2.

"Depositary" means, with respect to any Units issued in global form, The Depository Trust Company and its successors and permitted assigns.

"DGCL" has the meaning set forth in Section 14.7 of this Agreement.

"Distribution Reserve Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.11(a).

"Distribution Reserve Period Termination Date" means the date of distribution of Available Cash for the Quarter ending June 30, 2009.

"Economic Risk of Loss" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.752-2(a).

"Electing Party" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.12(b)(vii)(B) of this Agreement.

"Eligible Citizen" means a Person qualified to own interests in real property in jurisdictions in which any Group Member does business or proposes to do business from time to time, and whose status as a Limited Partner or Assignee the General Partner determines does not or would not subject such Group Member to a significant risk of cancellation or forfeiture of any of its properties or any interest therein.

"Eligible Investments" means

(1) United States dollars;

(2) securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States government or instrumentality of the United States government (*provided* that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support of those securities);

(3) certificates of deposit and eurodollar time deposits with maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition, bankers' acceptances with maturities not exceeding one year and overnight bank deposits, in each case, with any domestic commercial bank having capital and surplus in excess of \$500 million and a Thomson Bank Watch Rating of "B" or better;

(4) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the types described in clauses (2) and (3) above entered into with any financial institution meeting the qualifications specified in clause (3) above;

(5) commercial paper or tax exempt obligations having one of the two highest ratings obtainable from Moody's or S&P and, in each case, maturing within one year after the date of acquisition; and

(6) money market funds at least 95% of the assets of which constitute cash equivalents of the kinds described in clauses (1) through (5) of this definition or a money market fund or a qualified investment fund given one of the two highest long-term ratings available from S&P or Moody's.

"*Employee Benefit Plans*" means any qualified or non-qualified plan of deferred compensation or other arrangement (whether or not covered by ERISA), plan or agreement providing compensation or incentives to current, future or retired officers, directors, employees or consultants for the performance of services.

"EPC Notice to Proceed" shall mean the Notice to Proceed issued under the 2011 EPC Contract.

"Equity Security" means any security or other instrument that has an option, right, warrant

or appreciation right (including any phantom equity or any other instrument or obligation of the Partnership) which is based upon the value or performance of the Partnership. Equity Security includes any Unit and any interest junior, pari passu or senior to any such Unit. Whether any type of interest constitutes an Equity Security shall be determined in the good faith determination of the Board of Directors.

"Equity Securities Notice" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(vii)(A).

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, or any successor law, and all rules, regulations, rulings and interpretations adopted by the Internal Revenue Service or the Department of Labor thereunder.

"Estimated Incremental Quarterly Tax Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.10.

"Event of Withdrawal" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.1(a).

"Expansion Capital Expenditures" means cash expenditures for Acquisitions or Capital Improvements. Expansion Capital Expenditures shall not include Maintenance Capital Expenditures or Investment Capital Expenditures. Expansion Capital Expenditures shall include interest (and related fees) on debt incurred and distributions on equity issued, in each case, to finance the construction or development of a Capital Improvement and paid during the period beginning on the date that the Partnership enters into a binding commitment to commence construction or development of a Capital Improvement and ending on the earlier to occur of the date that such Capital Improvement Commences Commercial Service and the date that such Capital Improvement is abandoned or disposed of. Debt incurred or equity issued to fund such construction period interest payments or such construction period distributions on equity paid during such period, shall also be deemed to be debt or equity, as the case may be, issued to finance the construction or development.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"Final Subordinated Units" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.1(d)(xi).

"First Liquidation Target Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.1(c)(i)(D).

"First Target Distribution" means \$0.489 per Unit per Quarter (or, with respect to the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the Quarter in which the Closing Date occurred, it means the product of \$0.489 multiplied by a fraction, of which the numerator is the number of days in such period, and of which the denominator is the number of days in such Quarter), subject to adjustment in accordance with the definition of Initial Quarterly Distribution and Section 6.6 and Section 6.10.

"Fully Diluted Basis" means, when calculating the number of Outstanding Units for any

period, a basis that includes, in addition to the Outstanding Units, all Partnership Securities and options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights relating to an equity interest in the Partnership (a) that are convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Units that are senior to or *pari passu* with the Subordinated Units, (b) whose conversion, exercise or exchange price is less than the Current Market Price on the date of such calculation, (c) that may be converted into or exercised or exchanged for such Units prior to or during the Quarter immediately following the end of the period for which the calculation is being made without the satisfaction of any contingency beyond the control of the holder other than the payment of consideration and the compliance with administrative mechanics applicable to such conversion, exercise or exchange and (d) that were not converted into or exercised or exchanged for such Units during the period for which the calculation is being made; *provided*, *however*, that for purposes of determining the number of Outstanding Units on a Fully Diluted Basis when calculating whether the Subordinated Or the Subordinated Units are entitled to convert into Common Units pursuant to Section 5.7, such Partnership Securities, options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights shall be deemed to have been Outstanding Units only for the four Quarters that comprise the last four Quarters of the measurement period; *provided*, *further*, that if consideration will be paid to any Group Member in connection with such conversion, exercise or exchange, the number of Units to be included in such calculation shall be that number equal to the excess, if positive, of (i) the number of Units issuable upon such conversion, exercise or exchange over (ii) the number of Units that such convisideration would purchase at the Current Market Price.

"General Partner" means Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and its successors and permitted assigns that are admitted to the Partnership as general partner of the Partnership, in its capacity as general partner of the Partnership (except as the context otherwise requires).

"General Partner Interest" means the ownership interest of the General Partner in the Partnership (in its capacity as a general partner without reference to any Limited Partner Interest held by it), which is evidenced by General Partner Units, and includes any and all benefits to which the General Partner is entitled as provided in this Agreement, together with all obligations of the General Partner to comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

"General Partner Preemptive Share" is an amount of Partnership Securities to which the CEI Holder is entitled pursuant to Section 5.8; *provided, however*, that if the purchase price for the Partnership Securities is less than \$10.00 per Common Unit (or below such amount for the Common Unit Equivalent)(as adjusted for splits and combinations), then the Outstanding Subordinated Units shall not be included in such calculation.

"General Partner Unit" means a fractional part of the General Partner Interest having the rights and obligations specified with respect to the General Partner Interest. A General Partner Unit is not a Unit.

"Governmental Authority" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"GP LLC Agreement" means that certain Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner, dated as of [____], 2012, as amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Group" means a Person that with or through any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting (except voting pursuant to a revocable proxy or consent given to such Person in response to a proxy or consent solicitation made to 10 or more Persons), exercising investment power or disposing of any Partnership Interests with any other Person that beneficially owns, or whose Affiliates or Associates beneficially own, directly or indirectly, Partnership Interests.

"Group Member" means a member of the Partnership Group.

"Group Member Agreement" means the partnership agreement of any Group Member, other than the Partnership, that is a limited or general partnership, the limited liability company agreement of any Group Member that is a limited liability company, the certificate of incorporation and bylaws or similar organizational documents of any Group Member that is a corporation, the joint venture agreement or similar governing document of any Group Member that is a joint venture and the governing or organizational or similar documents of any other Group Member that is a Person other than a limited or general partnership, limited liability company, corporation or joint venture, as such may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Holder" as used in Section 7.12, has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.12(a).

"Incentive Distribution Right" means a non-voting Limited Partner Interest issued to the General Partner in connection with the transactions contemplated pursuant to the Contribution Agreement, which Limited Partner Interest will confer upon the holder thereof only the rights and obligations specifically provided in this Agreement with respect to Incentive Distribution Rights (and no other rights otherwise available to or other obligations of a holder of a Partnership Interest). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the holder of an Incentive Distribution Right shall not be entitled to vote such Incentive Distribution Right on any Partnership matter except as may otherwise be required by law.

"Incentive Distributions" means any amount of cash distributed to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(v), Section 6.4(a)(v), Section 6.4(b)(i), Section 6.4(b)(v).

"Incremental Income Taxes" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.10.

"Indemnified Persons" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.12(d).

"Indemnitee" means (a) the General Partner, (b) any Departing General Partner, (c) any Person who is or was an Affiliate of the General Partner or any Departing General Partner, (d) any Person who is or was a member, manager, partner, director, officer, fiduciary or trustee of any Group Member (other than any Person who is or was a Limited Partner of the Partnership in such Person's capacity as such), the General Partner or any Departing General Partner or any Affiliate of any Group Member, the General Partner or any Departing General Partner, (e) any Person who is or was serving at the request of the General Partner or any Departing General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner or any Departing General Partner as an officer, director, member, manager,

partner, fiduciary or trustee of another Person; *provided* that a Person shall not be an Indemnitee by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary or custodial services, and (f) any Person the General Partner designates as an "Indemnitee" for purposes of this Agreement.

"Ineligible Holder" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.11.

"Initial Common Unit" means a Common Unit sold in the Initial Public Offering.

"Initial Limited Partners" means Cheniere LNG Holdings, the General Partner (with respect to the Incentive Distribution Rights received by it pursuant to Section 5.2(a)), and the Underwriters upon issuance by the Partnership of Common Units as described in Section 5.3 in connection with the Initial Public Offering.

"Initial Public Offering" means the initial public offering and sale of Common Units to the public, as described in the Registration Statement.

"Initial Quarterly Distribution" means \$0.425 per Unit per Quarter (or with respect to the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the Quarter in which the Closing Date occurred, it means the product of \$0.425 multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator is the number of days in such period and of which the denominator is the number of days in such Quarter), subject to adjustment in accordance with Section 6.6 and Section 6.10.

"Initial Unit Price" means (a) with respect to the Common Units and the Subordinated Units, the initial public offering price per Common Unit at which the Underwriters offered the Common Units for sale to the public as set forth on the cover page of the prospectus included as part of the Registration Statement and first issued at or after the time the Registration Statement first became effective; or (b) with respect to any other class or series of Units, the price per Unit at which such class or series of Units is initially sold by the Partnership, as determined by the General Partner, in each case adjusted as the General Partner determines to be appropriate to give effect to any distribution, subdivision or combination of Units.

"Interim Capital Transactions" means the following transactions if they occur prior to the Liquidation Date: (a) borrowings, refinancings or refundings of indebtedness (other than Working Capital Borrowings and other than for items purchased on open account in the ordinary course of business) by any Group Member and sales of debt securities of any Group Member; (b) sales of equity interests of any Group Member (excluding any such sales to the extent the proceeds thereof are placed in the Distribution Reserve Account); (c) sales or other voluntary or involuntary dispositions of any assets of any Group Member other than (i) sales or other dispositions of inventory, accounts receivable and other assets in the ordinary course of business, and (ii) sales or other dispositions of assets as part of normal retirements or replacements; (d) the termination of Commodity Hedge Contracts or interest rate swap agreements prior to the termination date otherwise specified therein; (e) capital contributions received; and (f) corporate reorganizations or restructurings.

"Investment Capital Expenditures" means capital expenditures other than Maintenance Capital Expenditures and Expansion Capital Expenditures.

"Investor" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Investor Approval Period" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement" means that certain Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of [____], 2012, among Cheniere Energy, Inc., the General Partner, the Partnership, Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. or an Affiliate thereof, Blackstone CQP HoldCo LP and the other Investors named therein, as amended from time to time.

"Issue Price" means the price at which a Unit is purchased from the Partnership, after taking into account any sales commission or underwriting discount charged to the Partnership and after taking into account any other form of discount with respect to the price at which a Unit is purchased from the Partnership; *provided, however*, that in the case of the Class B Units, the Issue Price shall be the Class B Issue Price.

"Letter Agreement" means that certain letter agreement, dated as of November 9, 2006, among Sabine Pass LNG, Cheniere Marketing and Cheniere LNG, Inc. regarding the J&S Cheniere S.A. Option Agreement.

"Limited Partner" means, unless the context otherwise requires, (a) the Organizational Limited Partner prior to its withdrawal from the Partnership, each Initial Limited Partner, each Substituted Limited Partner, each Additional Limited Partner and any Departing General Partner upon the change of its status from General Partner to Limited Partner pursuant to Section 11.3(b), in each case, in such Person's capacity as a limited partner of the Partnership or (b) solely for purposes of Article Article V, Article VI, Article VII, Article IX and Article XII, each Assignee; *provided, however*, that when the term "Limited Partner" is used herein in the context of any vote or other approval, including Article Article XIII and Article XIV, such term shall not, solely for such purpose, include any holder of an Incentive Distribution Right (solely with respect to its Incentive Distribution Rights and not with respect to any other Limited Partner Interest held by such Person) except as may otherwise be required by law.

"Limited Partner Interest" means the ownership interest of a Limited Partner or Assignee in the Partnership, which may be evidenced by Common Units, Class B Units, Subordinated Units, Incentive Distribution Rights or other Partnership Securities or a combination thereof or interest therein, and includes any and all benefits to which such Limited Partner or Assignee is entitled as provided in this Agreement, together with all obligations of such Limited Partner or Assignee to comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that when the term "Limited Partner Interest" is used herein in the context of any vote or other approval, including Articles XIII and XIV, such term shall not, solely for such purpose, include any Incentive Distribution Right except as may be required by law.

"Limited Partner Unit" means each of the Common Units, Class B Units, Subordinated Units and other Units representing fractional parts of the Partnership Interests of all Limited Partners and Assignees (but shall not include the Incentive Distribution Rights).



"*Liquefaction Project*" means the liquefaction facilities to be developed, owned and operated by Sabine Pass Liquefaction at the liquefied natural gas terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, including Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 and Train 4 (as applicable), and the related facilities, equipment and activities incidental thereto.

"Liquidation Date" means (a) in the case of an event giving rise to the dissolution of the Partnership of the type described in clauses (a) and (b) of the first sentence of Section 12.2, the date on which the applicable time period during which the holders of Outstanding Units have the right to elect to continue the business of the Partnership has expired without such an election being made, and (b) in the case of any other event giving rise to the dissolution of the Partnership, the date on which such event occurs.

"Liquidator" means one or more Persons selected by the General Partner, pursuant to Section 12.3, to perform the functions described in Section 12.4 as liquidating trustee of the Partnership within the meaning of the Delaware Act.

"LNG" means liquefied natural gas.

"LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements" means agreements under which customers have committed to purchase quantities of LNG.

"Maintenance Capital Expenditures" means cash expenditures (including expenditures for the addition or improvement to the asset base owned by any Group Member or for the acquisition of existing, or the construction or development of new, capital assets) if such expenditures are made to maintain, including over the long term, the operating capacity or asset base of the Partnership Group. Maintenance Capital Expenditures shall not include (a) Expansion Capital Expenditures or (b) Investment Capital Expenditures. Maintenance Capital Expenditures shall include interest (and related fees) on debt incurred and distributions on equity issued, in each case, to finance the construction or development of a replacement asset and paid during the period beginning on the date that the Partnership enters into a binding obligation to commence constructing or developing a replacement asset and ending on the earlier to occur of the date that such replacement asset Commences Commercial Service and the date that such replacement asset is abandoned or disposed of. Debt incurred to pay or equity issued to fund construction or development period interest payments, or such construction or development period distributions on equity, shall also be deemed to be debt incurred or equity, as the case may be, issued to finance the construction or development asset.

"Management Services Agreements" means, collectively, the Management Services Agreement, dated February 25, 2006, between Sabine Pass LNG and Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc. and the Management Services Agreement, dated September 1, 2006, between Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc. and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc.

"Mandatory Conversion Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(A).

"Measurement Date" means October 1, 2014.

"Merger Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 14.1.

"MMBtu" means million British thermal units.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Services, Inc.

"*National Securities Exchange*" means an exchange registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, and any successor to such statute.

"Net Agreed Value" means, (a) in the case of any Contributed Property, the Agreed Value of such property reduced by any liabilities either assumed by the Partnership upon such contribution or to which such property is subject when contributed, and (b) in the case of any property distributed to a Partner or Assignee by the Partnership, the Partnership's Carrying Value of such property (as adjusted pursuant to Section 5.5(d)(ii)) at the time such property is distributed, reduced by any indebtedness either assumed by such Partner or Assignee upon such distribution or to which such property is subject at the time of distribution, in either case, as determined under Section 752 of the Code.

"Net Income" means, for any taxable year, the excess, if any, of the Partnership's items of income and gain (other than those items taken into account in the computation of Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss) for such taxable year over the Partnership's items of loss and deduction (other than those items taken into account in the computation of Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss) for such taxable year. The items included in the calculation of Net Income shall be determined in accordance with Section 5.5(b) and shall not include any items specially allocated under Section 5.12(b)(iv) or Section 6.1(d) or; *provided*, that the determination of the items that have been specially allocated under Section 6.1(d) shall be made as if Section 6.1(d)(xii) were not in this Agreement.

"Net Loss" means, for any taxable year, the excess, if any, of the Partnership's items of loss and deduction (other than those items taken into account in the computation of Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss) for such taxable year over the Partnership's items of income and gain (other than those items taken into account in the computation of Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss) for such taxable year. The items included in the calculation of Net Loss shall be determined in accordance with Section 5.5(b) and shall not include any items specially allocated under Section 6.1(d); *provided*, that the determination of the items that have been specially allocated under Section 6.1(d) shall be made as if Section 6.1(d)(xii) were not in this Agreement.

"Net Positive Adjustments" means, with respect to any Partner, the excess, if any, of the total positive adjustments over the total negative adjustments made to the Capital Account of such Partner pursuant to Book-Up Events and Book-Down Events.

"Net Termination Gain" means, for any taxable year, the sum, if positive, of all items of income, gain, loss or deduction recognized by the Partnership (i) after the Liquidation Date and (ii) upon the sale, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership in a single transaction or a series of related transactions. The items included in the determination of Net Termination Gain shall be determined in accordance with Section 5.5(b) and shall not include any items of income, gain or loss specially allocated under Section 6.1(d).



"Net Termination Loss" means, for any taxable year, the sum, if negative, of all items of income, gain, loss or deduction recognized by the Partnership (i) after the Liquidation Date and (ii) upon the sale, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership in a single transaction or a series of related transactions. The items included in the determination of Net Termination Loss shall be determined in accordance with Section 5.5(b) and shall not include any items of income, gain or loss specially allocated under Section 6.1(d).

"Non-citizen Assignee" means a Person whom the General Partner has determined does not constitute an Eligible Citizen and as to whose Partnership Interest the General Partner has become the Substituted Limited Partner, pursuant to Section 4.9.

"Nonrecourse Built-in Gain" means with respect to any Contributed Properties or Adjusted Properties that are subject to a mortgage or pledge securing a Nonrecourse Liability, the amount of any taxable gain that would be allocated to the Partners pursuant to Section 6.2(b)(i) (A), Section 6.2(b)(ii)(A) and Section 6.2(b)(iii) if such properties were disposed of in a taxable transaction in full satisfaction of such liabilities and for no other consideration.

"Nonrecourse Deductions" means any and all items of loss, deduction or expenditure (including any expenditure described in Section 705(a)(2)(B) of the Code) that, in accordance with the principles of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(b), are attributable to a Nonrecourse Liability.

"Nonrecourse Liability" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.752-1(a)(2).

"Notice of Election to Purchase" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 15.1(b).

"O&M Agreement" means the Operation and Maintenance Agreement, dated February 25, 2005, between O&M Services and Sabine Pass LNG.

"O&M Services" means Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Operating Expenditures" means all Partnership Group expenditures (or the Partnership's proportionate share of expenditures in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned), including, but not limited to, taxes, payments to the General Partner in reimbursement of expenses incurred by the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership Group, non-Pro Rata repurchases of Units, repayment of Working Capital Borrowings, debt service payments, interest payments, payments made in the ordinary course of business under Commodity Hedge Contracts (excluding payments made in connection with any termination of a Commodity Hedge Contract prior to its stated expiration or termination date), *provided* that with respect to amounts paid in connection with the initial purchase or placing of a Commodity Hedge Contract, such amount(s) shall be amortized over the expected term of the applicable Commodity Hedge Contract and, if earlier, upon its termination, and Maintenance Capital Expenditures, subject to the following:

(a) repayment of Working Capital Borrowings deducted from Operating Surplus pursuant to clause (b)(iii) of the definition of Operating Surplus shall not constitute Operating Expenditures when actually repaid;

(b) payments (including prepayments) of principal of and premium on indebtedness other than Working Capital Borrowings shall not constitute Operating Expenditures; and

(c) Operating Expenditures shall not include (i) Expansion Capital Expenditures, (ii) Investment Capital Expenditures, (iii) payment of transaction expenses (including taxes) relating to Interim Capital Transactions, (iv) distributions to Partners, (v) non-Pro Rata repurchases of Units of any class made with the proceeds of an Interim Capital Transaction or (vi) CTPL Expenditures. Where capital expenditures are made in part for Expansion Capital Expenditures and in part for other purposes, the General Partner, with the concurrence of the Conflicts Committee, shall determine the allocation between the amounts paid for each.

"Operating Surplus" means, with respect to any period ending prior to the Liquidation Date, on a cumulative basis and without duplication,

(a) the sum of (i) \$30 million, (ii) all cash receipts of the Partnership Group (or the Partnership's proportionate share of cash receipts in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned) for the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of such period, but excluding cash receipts from Interim Capital Transactions, (iii) all cash receipts of the Partnership Group (or the Partnership's proportionate share of cash receipts in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned) after the end of such period but on or before the date of determination of Operating Surplus with respect to such period resulting from Working Capital Borrowings, (iv) all cash distributions from the Distribution Reserve Account, including cash in the Distribution Reserve Account released in accordance with Section 5.11(d) and Section 5.11(e), and (v) the amount of distributions paid on equity issued in connection with the construction or development of a Capital Improvement or replacement assets and paid during the period beginning on the date that the Partnership enters into a binding commitment to commence construction or development asset Commences Commercial Service and the date that it is abandoned or disposed of (equity issued to fund the construction period interest payments on debt incurred (including periodic net payments under related interest rate swap agreements), or construction period distributions on equity issued to finance the construction or development of a Capital Improvement or replacement asset shall also be deemed to be equity issued to finance the construction or development of a Capital Improvement or replacement asset shall also be deemed to be equity issued to finance the construction or development of a Capital Improvement or replacement asset shall also be deemed to be equity issued to finance the construction or development of a Capital Improvement or replacement asset for purposes of this clause (v)), less

(b) the sum of (i) Operating Expenditures for the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of such period, (ii) subject to Section 5.11(b), the amount of cash reserves (or the Partnership's proportionate share of cash reserves in the case of Subsidiaries that are not wholly owned) established by the General Partner to provide funds

for future Operating Expenditures and (iii) all Working Capital Borrowings not repaid within twelve months after having been incurred or repaid within such twelve-month period with the proceeds of additional Working Capital Borrowings;

provided, however, that disbursements made (including contributions to a Group Member or disbursements on behalf of a Group Member) or cash reserves established, increased or reduced after the end of such period but on or before the date of determination of Available Cash with respect to such period shall be deemed to have been made, established, increased or reduced, for purposes of determining Operating Surplus, within such period if the General Partner so determines.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Operating Surplus" with respect to the Quarter in which the Liquidation Date occurs and any subsequent Quarter shall equal zero.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion of counsel (who may be regular counsel to the Partnership or the General Partner or any of its Affiliates) acceptable to the General Partner.

"Optional Conversion Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(B).

"Organizational Limited Partner" means Cheniere LNG Holdings in its capacity as the organizational limited partner of the Partnership pursuant to this Agreement.

"Outstanding" means, with respect to Partnership Securities, all Partnership Securities that are issued by the Partnership and reflected as outstanding on the Partnership's books and records as of the date of determination; provided, however, that if at any time any Person or Group (other than the General Partner and its Affiliates) beneficially owns 20% or more of the Outstanding Partnership Securities of any class then Outstanding, all Partnership Securities owned by such Person or Group shall not be voted on any matter and shall not be considered to be Outstanding when sending notices of a meeting of Limited Partners to vote on any matter (unless otherwise required by law), calculating required votes, determining the presence of a quorum or for other similar purposes under this Agreement, except that Units so owned shall be considered to be Outstanding for purposes of Section 11.1(b)(iv) (such Units shall not, however, be treated as a separate class of Partnership Securities for purposes of this Agreement); provided, further, that the foregoing limitation shall not apply to (i) any Person or Group who acquired 20% or more of the Outstanding directly from the General Partner or its Affiliates, (ii) any Person or Group who acquired 20% or more of the Outstanding Partnership Securities of any class then Outstanding directly from a Person or Group described in clause (i) provided that the General Partner shall have notified such Person or Group in writing that such limitation shall not apply, or (iii) any Person or Group who acquired 20% or more of any Partnership Securities issued by the Partnership Securities issued by the Partnership Securities issued by the Partnership with the prior approval of the Board of Directors (which includes any Class B Units issued hereunder and the underlying Common Units issued upon conversion).

"Over-Allotment Option" means the over-allotment option granted to the Underwriters by the Selling Unitholder pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement.

"Partner" means a General Partner or a Limited Partner and Assignees thereof, if applicable.

"Partner Nonrecourse Debt" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(b)(4).

"Partner Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i)(2).

"Partner Nonrecourse Deductions" means any and all items of loss, deduction or expenditure (including any expenditure described in Section 705(a)(2)(B) of the Code) that, in accordance with the principles of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i), are attributable to a Partner Nonrecourse Debt.

"Partnership" means Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Partnership Group" means the Partnership and its Subsidiaries treated as a single entity.

"Partnership Interest" means an interest in the Partnership, which shall include the General Partner Interest and Limited Partner Interests.

"Partnership Minimum Gain" means that amount determined in accordance with the principles of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(d).

"Partnership Security" means any class or series of equity interest in the Partnership (but excluding any options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights relating to an equity interest in the Partnership), including Common Units, Class B Units, Subordinated Units, General Partner Units and Incentive Distribution Rights.

"Per Unit Capital Amount" means, as of any date of determination, the Capital Account, stated on a per Unit basis, underlying any Unit held by a Person other than the General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner who holds Units.

"Percentage Interest" means as of any date of determination (a) as to the General Partner with respect to General Partner Units and as to any Unitholder or Assignee with respect to Units, the product obtained by multiplying (i) 100% less the percentage applicable to clause (b) below by (ii) the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the number of General Partner Units held by the General Partner or the number of Units held by such Unitholder or Assignee, as the case may be, by (B) the total number of all Outstanding Units as of such date of determination and all General Partner Units, and (b) as to the holders of additional Partnership Securities issued by the Partnership in accordance with Section 5.6, the percentage for each Partnership Security as determined by the General Partner as a part of such issuance. The Percentage Interest with respect to an Incentive Distribution Right shall at all times be zero. Solely for purposes of Section 5.8 and 5.12(b)(vii), and the determination of the General Partner Preemptive Share and Purchaser Preemptive Share, prior to the conversion of all Class B Units, the "Percentage Interest" of the General Partner and it Affiliates shall be calculated and determined based on (i) "Outstanding" Units (including the total Outstanding and owned by the General Partner and its

Affiliates) with the number of Class B Units determined on an as-converted basis, and (ii) the "Outstanding" General Partner Units being deemed to include any General Partner Units issuable in accordance with Section 5.12(b)(iii) and 5.12(b)(vi)(E) upon such issuance of Class B Units or conversion of Class B Units at such applicable time.

"Person" means an individual or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"Plan of Conversion" has the meaning set forth in Section 14.1 of this Agreement.

"Preemptive Share" means (x) with respect to the Purchaser, the "Purchaser Preemptive Share" and (y) with respect to the General Partner, the "General Partner Preemptive Share".

"Pro Rata" means (a) when used with respect to Units or any class thereof, apportioned equally among all designated Units in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests, (b) when used with respect to Partners and Assignees or Record Holders, apportioned among all Partners and Assignees or Record Holders in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests and (c) when used with respect to holders of Incentive Distribution Rights, apportioned equally among all holders of Incentive Distribution Rights held by each such holder.

"Proposed Treasury Regulations" means the regulations proposed by the U.S. Department of the Treasury under the Code, prior to the date hereof.

"Purchase Date" means the date determined by the General Partner as the date for purchase of all Outstanding Limited Partner Interests of a certain class (other than Limited Partner Interests owned by the General Partner and its Affiliates) pursuant to Article XV.

"Purchaser" means Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, a Delaware limited partnership, and any Person to whom the Purchaser is permitted to assign its rights as "Purchaser" pursuant to the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Purchaser Class B Final Funding Date" means the date on which the issuance of Common Units results in the full satisfaction of the Purchaser's obligations to purchase Class B Units under the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date" means the "Initial Funding Date" of the Purchaser under the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Purchaser Class B Units" means the Purchaser Initial Class B Units and the Remaining Units issued after the issuance of the Purchaser Initial Class B Units.

"Purchaser Class B Weighted Average Funding Period" means (X) the sum of the products of (A) the number of days that passed between the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date and the date of any subsequent funding by the Purchaser with respect to the Remaining Units pursuant to the terms of the Unit Purchase Agreement and (B) the dollars funded by the Purchaser in any such subsequent funding, divided by (Y) \$1,000,000,000.

"*Purchaser Directors*" means the three members appointed to the Board of Directors by the Purchaser on the Class B Issuance Date, as such Persons may be replaced from time to time.

"Purchaser Initial Class B Units" means the 33,333,334 Class B Units issued to the Purchaser pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Purchaser Preemptive Share" is an amount of Equity Securities equal to the product of (A) the total number of Equity Securities contemplated by an Equity Securities Notice *multiplied by* (B) the quotient of (a) the sum of (1) all Outstanding Units held by the Purchaser and its Affiliates at the applicable time (calculated as if all convertible Equity Securities were converted at the applicable time and based upon the Common Unit Equivalent of any other Equity Securities) *plus* (2) all Remaining Units that are not Outstanding (in each case, calculated as if all convertible Equity Securities) *divided by* (b) the sum of (1) the total Outstanding Units of the Partnership at the applicable time *plus* (2) all Remaining Units that are not Outstanding (calculated as if all convertible Equity Securities to be issued were converted at if all convertible Equity Securities) *divided by* (b) the sum of (1) the total Outstanding Units of the Partnership at the applicable time *plus* (2) all Remaining Units that are not Outstanding (calculated as if all convertible Equity Securities to be issued were converted at the applicable time and based upon the Common Unit Equivalent of any other Equity Securities); *provided, however*, that if the purchase price for the Equity Securities is less than \$10.00 per Common Unit (or below such amount for the Common Unit Equivalent)(as adjusted for splits and combinations), then the Outstanding Subordinated Units shall not be included in such calculation.

"Quarter" means, unless the context requires otherwise, a fiscal quarter of the Partnership, or, with respect to the fiscal quarter of the Partnership including the Closing Date, the portion of such fiscal quarter after the Closing Date.

"Recapture Income" means any gain recognized by the Partnership (computed without regard to any adjustment required by Section 734 or Section 743 of the Code) upon the disposition of any property or asset of the Partnership, which gain is characterized as ordinary income because it represents the recapture of deductions previously taken with respect to such property or asset.

"Record Date" means any date established by the General Partner or otherwise in accordance with this Agreement for determining (a) the identity of the Record Holders entitled to notice of, or to vote at, any meeting of Limited Partners or entitled to vote by ballot or give approval of Partnership action in writing without a meeting or entitled to exercise rights in respect of any lawful action of Limited Partners or (b) the identity of Record Holders entitled to receive any report or distribution or to participate in any offer.

"Record Holder" means the Person in whose name a Unit is registered on the books of the Transfer Agent as of the opening of business on a particular Business Day, or with respect to other Partnership Interests, the Person in whose name any such other Partnership Interest is registered on the books that the General Partner has caused to be kept as of the opening of business on such Business Day.

"Redeemable Interests" means any Partnership Interests for which a redemption notice has been given, and has not been withdrawn, pursuant to Section 4.10.

"Registration Statement" means the Registration Statements on Form S-1 (File Nos. 333-139572 and 333-141456), as they have been or as they may be amended or supplemented from time to time, filed by the Partnership with the Commission under the Securities Act to register the offering and sale of the Common Units in the Initial Public Offering.

"Remaining Net Positive Adjustments" means as of the end of any taxable period, (i) with respect to the Unitholders holding Common Units, Class B Units or Subordinated Units, the excess of (a) the Net Positive Adjustments of the Unitholders holding Common Units, Class B Units or Subordinated Units as of the end of such period over (b) the sum of those Partners' Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items for each prior taxable period, (ii) with respect to the General Partner (as holder of the General Partner Units), the excess of (a) the Net Positive Adjustments of the General Partner as of the end of such period over (b) the sum of the General Partner's Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items with respect to the General Partner Units for each prior taxable period, and (iii) with respect to the General Partner Units for each prior taxable period, and (iii) with respect to the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights, the excess of (a) the Net Positive Adjustments of the holders of the Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items of the sum of the Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items of the sum of the Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items of the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights as of the end of such period over (b) the sum of the Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items of the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights for each prior taxable period.

"Remaining Units" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Unit Purchase Agreement, as if such Class B Units were issued and Outstanding on the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date and as such Class B Units are adjusted over time ending on the Purchaser Class B Final Funding Date pursuant to Sections 5.12(b)(ii) and 5.12(b)(ix). The purchase price for each Purchaser Class B Unit shall be the Class B Issue Price regardless of the number of Class B Units actually issued.

"Required Allocations" means (a) any limitation imposed on any allocation of Net Losses or Net Termination Losses under Section 6.1(b) or Section 6.1(c)(ii) and (b) any allocation of an item of income, gain, loss or deduction pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(i), Section 6.1(d)(i), Section 6.1(d)(i), Section 6.1(d)(i).

"Residual Gain" or *"Residual Loss"* means any item of gain or loss, as the case may be, of the Partnership recognized for federal income tax purposes resulting from a sale, exchange or other disposition of a Contributed Property or Adjusted Property, to the extent such item of gain or loss is not allocated pursuant to Section 6.2(b)(i)(A) or Section 6.2(b)(ii)(A), respectively, to eliminate Book-Tax Disparities.

"Retained Converted Subordinated Unit" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.5(c)(ii).

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

"Sabine Pass Liquefaction" means Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and its successors and assigns.

"Sabine Pass LNG" means Sabine Pass LNG, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and its successors and assigns.

"Second Liquidation Target Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.1(c)(i)(E).

"Second Target Distribution" means \$0.531 per Unit per Quarter (or, with respect to the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the Quarter in which the Closing Date occurred, it means the product of \$0.531 multiplied by a fraction, of which the numerator is equal to the number of days in such period and of which the denominator is the number of days in such Quarter), subject to adjustment in accordance with the definition of Initial Quarterly Distribution and Section 6.6 and Section 6.10.

"Secondment Agreement" means the Services and Secondment Agreement, dated as of March 26, 2007, between O&M Services and the General Partner.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time and any successor to such statute.

"Securities Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time and any successor to such statute.

"Services Agreement" means the Amended and Restated Services Agreement, dated as of [____], 2012, between the Partnership and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., as amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Selling Unitholder" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Underwriting Agreement.

"Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items" means in connection with any allocation of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items for any taxable period, (i) with respect to the Unitholders holding Limited Partner Units, the amount that bears the same ratio to such Additional Book Basis Derivative Items as the Unitholders' Remaining Net Positive Adjustments as of the end of such period bears to the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments as of that time, (ii) with respect to the General Partner (as holder of the General Partner Units), the amount that bears the same ratio to such Additional Book Basis Derivative Items as the General Partner Units), the amount that bears the same ratio to such Additional Book Basis Derivative Items as the General Partner's Remaining Net Positive Adjustments as of the end of such period bears to the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustment as of that time, and (iii) with respect to the Partners holding Incentive Distribution Rights, the amount that bears the same ratio to such Additional Book Basis Derivative Items as the Remaining Net Positive Adjustments of the Partners holding the Incentive Distribution Rights as of the end of such period bears to the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments of the Partners holding the Incentive Distribution Rights as of the end of such period bears to the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments of the Partners holding the Incentive Distribution Rights as of the end of such period bears to the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments as of that time.

"Significant Event" means any merger, consolidation or other combination of the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries with another Person (other than to the extent permitted under Section 14.3(d) or a Subsidiary of the Partnership merging, consolidating or combining with or into another wholly owned Subsidiary of the Partnership), or a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership in each case prior to the Actual Conversion Date with respect to the last Outstanding Class B Unit (whether such sale is a single transaction or multiple transactions intended to dispose of substantially all of the Partnership's assets).



"Special Approval" means approval by a majority of the members of the Conflicts Committee acting in good faith.

"Subordinated Unit" means a Unit representing a fractional part of the Partnership Interests of all Limited Partners and Assignees having the rights and obligations specified with respect to Subordinated Units in this Agreement. The term "Subordinated Unit" does not include a Common Unit or a Class B Unit. A Subordinated Unit that is convertible into a Common Unit shall not constitute a Common Unit until such conversion occurs.

"Subordination Period" means the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the first to occur of the following dates:

(a) the first date on which there are no longer any Outstanding Subordinated Units due to the automatic conversion of the Subordinated Units into Common Units pursuant to Section 5.7; and

(b) the date on which the General Partner is removed as general partner of the Partnership upon the requisite vote by holders of Outstanding Units under circumstances where Cause does not exist and no Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates are voted in favor of such removal.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation of which more than 50% of the voting power of shares entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors or other governing body of such corporation is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, (b) a partnership (whether general or limited) in which such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person is, at the date of determination, a general or limited partner of such partnership, but only if more than 50% of the partnership interests of such partnership (considering all of the partnership interests of the partnership as a single class) is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, or (c) any other Person (other than a corporation or a partnership) in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, has (i) at least a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of a majority of the directors or other governing body of such Person.

"Substituted Limited Partner" means a Person who is admitted as a Limited Partner to the Partnership pursuant to Section 10.2 in place of and with all the rights of a Limited Partner and who is shown as a Limited Partner on the books and records of the Partnership.

"Surviving Business Entity" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 14.2(b).

"Tax Certificate" means the certificate described in Section 4.11.

"*Tax Sharing Agreement*" means the Tax Sharing Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2006, between Sabine Pass LNG and Cheniere Energy, Inc.

"Third Liquidation Target Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.1(c)(i)(F).

"Third Target Distribution" means \$0.638 per Unit per Quarter (or, with respect to the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the Quarter in which the Closing Date occurred, it means the product of \$0.638 multiplied by a fraction, of which the numerator is equal to the number of days in such period and of which the denominator is the number of days in such Quarter), subject to adjustment in accordance with the definition of Initial Quarterly Distribution and Section 6.6 and Section 6.10.

"Trading Day" means, for the purpose of determining the Current Market Price of any class of Limited Partner Interests, a day on which the principal National Securities Exchange on which such class of Limited Partner Interests are listed is open for the transaction of business or, if Limited Partner Interests of a class are not listed on any National Securities Exchange, a day on which banking institutions in New York City generally are open.

"Train" means an LNG production train located at the Liquefaction Project.

"Train 1" means the first Train that is commercially operable, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable, with a nominal production capacity of at least 182.5 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"Train 2" means the second Train that is commercially operable after Train 1, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable after Train 1, with a nominal production capacity of at least 219.0 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"Train 2 Conversion Date" means the date upon which Train 2 has reached the Date of First Commercial Delivery.

"Train 3" means the third Train that is commercially operable after Train 2, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable after Train 2, with a nominal production capacity of at least 216.5 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"Train 3 Condition" shall mean each of the following with regard to solely Train 3: (i) the Board of Directors shall have approved the issuance of the notice to proceed under the engineering, procurement and construction agreement for Train 3 and (ii) the debt and equity financing commitments are bona fide as determined by the Board of Directors and are sufficient to construct Train 3 in order to satisfy the relevant LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements for Train 3 or any replacement LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements on economic terms no less favorable to the Partnership Group and with a counterparty with an equal or superior credit rating.

"Train 3 Notice to Proceed" means the notice to proceed as set forth in an engineering, procurement and construction agreement for Train 3.

"Train 3 Substantial Completion Date" means the date of substantial completion as set forth in an engineering, procurement and construction agreement for Train 3.

"Train 4" means the fourth Train that is commercially operable after Train 3, as notified by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to the relevant customer of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, or expected by Sabine Pass Liquefaction to be commercially operable after Train 3, with a nominal production capacity of at least 216.0 MMBtu per annum of LNG.

"Train 4 Condition" shall mean each of the following with regard to solely Train 4: (i) the Board of Directors shall have approved the issuance of the notice to proceed under the engineering, procurement and construction agreement for Train 4 and (ii) the debt and equity financing commitments are bona fide as determined by the Board of Directors and are sufficient to construct Train 4 in order to satisfy the relevant LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements for Train 4 or any replacement LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements on economic terms no less favorable to the Partnership Group and with a counterparty with an equal or superior credit rating.

"Train 4 Substantial Completion Date" means the date of substantial completion as set forth in an engineering, procurement and construction agreement for Train 4.

"Transfer" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.4(a).

"Transfer Agent" means such bank, trust company or other Person (including the General Partner or one of its Affiliates) and as shall be appointed from time to time by the General Partner to act as registrar and transfer agent for the Common Units; *provided*, that if no Transfer Agent is specifically designated for any other Partnership Securities, the General Partner shall act in such capacity.

"Transfer Application" means an application and agreement for transfer of Units in the form set forth on the back of a Certificate or in a form substantially to the same effect in a separate instrument.

"Treasury Securities" means securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States government or instrumentality of the United States government (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support of those securities).

"TUA" means a terminal use agreement for long term regasification services entered into by the Partnership and a third party.

"Underwriter" means each Person named as an underwriter in Schedule I to the Underwriting Agreement who purchases Common Units pursuant thereto.

"Underwriting Agreement" means that certain Underwriting Agreement dated as of March 20, 2007 among the Underwriters, the Partnership, the General Partner and the other parties thereto, providing for the purchase of Common Units by the Underwriters.

"Unit" means a Partnership Security that is designated as a *"Unit"* and shall include Common Units, Class B Units and Subordinated Units but shall not include (i) General Partner Units (or the General Partner Interest represented thereby) or (ii) Incentive Distribution Rights.

"Unit Majority" means (a) during the Subordination Period, at least (i) a majority of the Outstanding Common Units and Class B Units (excluding Outstanding Common Units and CEI Class B Units owned by the General Partner and its Affiliates (other than the Purchaser)) voting as a class as set forth in Section 5.12(b)(v) and at least (ii) a majority of the Outstanding Subordinated Units voting as a single class, and (b) after the end of the Subordination Period, at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units and Class B Units.

"Unit Purchase Agreement" means that certain Unit Purchase Agreement, dated as of [____], 2012, by and among the Partnership, CEI and the Purchaser.

"Unitholders" means the holders of Units.

"Unpaid IQD" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.1(c)(i)(B).

"Unrealized Gain" attributable to any item of Partnership property means, as of any date of determination, the excess, if any, of (a) the fair market value of such property as of such date (as determined under Section 5.5(d)) over (b) the Carrying Value of such property as of such date (prior to any adjustment to be made pursuant to Section 5.5(d) as of such date).

"Unrealized Loss" attributable to any item of Partnership property means, as of any date of determination, the excess, if any, of (a) the Carrying Value of such property as of such date (prior to any adjustment to be made pursuant to Section 5.5(d) as of such date) over (b) the fair market value of such property as of such date (as determined under Section 5.5(d)).

"Unrecovered Initial Unit Price" means at any time, with respect to a Unit, the Initial Unit Price less the sum of all distributions constituting Capital Surplus theretofore made in respect of an Initial Common Unit, and any distributions of cash (or the Net Agreed Value of any distributions in kind) in connection with the dissolution and liquidation of the Partnership theretofore made in respect of an Initial Common Unit, adjusted as the General Partner determines to be appropriate to give effect to any distribution, subdivision or combination of such Units.

"U.S. GAAP" means United States generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied.

"Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt" means an amount equal to (X) the sum of the product of (A) the dollar amount of any debt commitment and (B) the interest rate of such debt commitment (and if floating, the interest rate to be used will consider the swap equivalent to convert the floating rate to fixed rate) divided by (Y) the aggregate dollar amount of all debt commitments for Trains 1-4, as applicable.

"Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.1(b).

"Working Capital Borrowings" means borrowings used solely for working capital purposes or to pay distributions to Partners, made pursuant to a credit facility, commercial paper facility or similar financing arrangement; *provided* that when incurred it is the intent of the borrower to repay such borrowings within 12 months from other than additional Working Capital Borrowings.

Section 1.2 Construction.

Unless the context requires otherwise: (a) any pronoun used in this Agreement shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine or neuter forms, and the singular form of nouns, pronouns and verbs shall include the plural and vice versa; (b) references to Articles and Sections refer to Articles and Sections of this Agreement; (c) the terms "include", "includes", "including" and words of like import shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation"; and (d) the terms "hereof", "herein" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. The table of contents and headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only, and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

ORGANIZATION

Section 2.1 Formation.

The General Partner and the Organizational Limited Partner have previously formed the Partnership as a limited partnership pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act and previously entered into that certain First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., dated as of March 26, 2007. The purpose of this Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership is (i) to establish the rights and obligations of the Class B Units in connection with the issuance of Partnership Securities pursuant to Section 5.12 and (ii) to make other miscellaneous revisions. This amendment and restatement shall become effective on the date of this Agreement. Except as expressly provided to the contrary in this Agreement, the rights, duties (including fiduciary duties), liabilities and obligations of the Partnership shall be governed by the Delaware Act. All Partnership Interests shall constitute personal property of the owner thereof for all purposes.

Section 2.2 Name.

The name of the Partnership shall be "Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P." The Partnership's business may be conducted under any other name or names as determined by the General Partner, including the name of the General Partner. The words "Limited Partnership," "L.P.," "Ltd." or similar words or letters shall be included in the Partnership's name where necessary for the purpose of complying with the laws of any jurisdiction that so requires. The General Partner may change the name of the Partnership at any time and from time to time and shall notify the Limited Partners of such change in the next regular communication to the Limited Partners.

Section 2.3 Registered Office; Registered Agent; Principal Office; Other Offices.

Unless and until changed by the General Partner, the registered office of the Partnership in the State of Delaware shall be located at 2711 Centerville Road, Suite 400, Wilmington, Delaware 19808-1645, and the registered agent for service of process on the Partnership in the State of Delaware at such registered office shall be Corporation Service Company. The principal office of the Partnership shall be located at 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002, or such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate by notice to the Limited Partners, by any reasonable means (including posting on the Partnership's website). The Partnership may maintain offices at such other place or places within or outside the State of Delaware as the General Partner shall determine necessary or appropriate. The address of the General Partner shall be 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002, or such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate by notice to the general Partner shall be 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002, or such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate by notice to the General Partner shall be 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002, or such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate by notice, by any reasonable means (including posting on the Partnership's website).

Section 2.4 Purpose and Business.

The purpose and nature of the business to be conducted by the Partnership shall be (a) to engage directly in, or enter into or form, hold and dispose of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other arrangement to engage indirectly in, any business activity that is approved by the General Partner and in any event that lawfully may be conducted by a limited partnership organized pursuant to the Delaware Act, and, in connection therewith, to exercise all of the rights and powers conferred upon the Partnership pursuant to the agreements relating to such business activity, and (b) to do anything necessary or appropriate to the foregoing, including the making of capital contributions or loans to a Group Member; *provided*, *however*, that the General Partner shall not cause the Partnership to engage, directly or indirectly, in any business activity that the General Partner determines would cause the Partnership to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise taxable as an entity for federal income tax purposes. To the fullest extent permitted by law and notwithstanding any obligation existing at law or in equity: the General Partner shall have no duty or obligation to propose or approve, and the General Partner may decline to propose or approve, the conduct by the Partnership of any business free of any fiduciary or other duty or obligation whatsoever to the Partnership, any Limited Partner or Assignee; and, in declining to so propose or approve the General Partner, shall not be required to act in good faith or pursuant to any other standard imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, any other agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity.

Section 2.5 *Powers*.

The Partnership shall be empowered to do any and all acts and things necessary or appropriate for the furtherance and accomplishment of the purposes and business described in Section 2.4 and for the protection and benefit of the Partnership.

Section 2.6 Power of Attorney.

(a) Each Limited Partner and each Assignee hereby constitutes and appoints the General Partner and, if a Liquidator shall have been selected pursuant to Section 12.3, the Liquidator,



severally (and any successor to the Liquidator by merger, transfer, assignment, election or otherwise) and each of their authorized officers and attorneys-in-fact, as the case may be, with full power of substitution, as his true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority in his name, place and stead, to:

(i) execute, swear to, acknowledge, deliver, file and record in the appropriate public offices (A) all certificates, documents and other instruments (including this Agreement and the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all amendments or restatements hereof or thereof) that the General Partner or the Liquidator determines to be necessary or appropriate to form, qualify or continue the existence or qualification of the Partnership as a limited partnership (or a partnership in which the limited partners have limited liability) in the State of Delaware and in all other jurisdictions in which the Partnership may conduct business or own property; (B) all certificates, documents and other instruments that the General Partner or the Liquidator determines to be necessary or appropriate to reflect, in accordance with its terms, any amendment, change, modification or restatement of this Agreement; (C) all certificates, documents and other instruments (including conveyances and a certificate of cancellation) that the General Partner or the Liquidator determines to be necessary or appropriate to reflect the dissolution and liquidation of the Partnership pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; (D) all certificates, documents and other instruments relating to the admission, withdrawal, removal or substitution of any Partner pursuant to, or other events described in, Article IV, Article X, Article XI or Article XII; (E) all certificates, documents and other instruments relating to the determination of the rights, preferences and privileges of any class or series of Partnership Securities issued pursuant to Section 5.6; and (F) all certificates, documents and other instruments (including agreements and a certificate of merger or conversion) relating to a merger, consolidation or conversion of the Partnership pursuant to Article XIV; and

(ii) execute, swear to, acknowledge, deliver, file and record all ballots, consents, approvals, waivers, certificates, documents and other instruments that the General Partner or the Liquidator determines to be necessary or appropriate to (A) make, evidence, give, confirm or ratify any vote, consent, approval, agreement or other action that is made or given by the Partners hereunder or is consistent with the terms of this Agreement or (B) effectuate the terms or intent of this Agreement; *provided*, that when required by Section 13.3 or any other provision of this Agreement that establishes a percentage of the Limited Partners or of the Limited Partners of any class or series required to vote on, consent to or approve the taking of any action, the General Partner and the Liquidator may exercise the power of attorney made in this Section 2.6(a)(ii) only after the necessary vote, consent or approval of the Limited Partners or o

Nothing contained in this Section 2.6(a) shall be construed as authorizing the General Partner to amend this Agreement except in accordance with Article XIII or as may be otherwise expressly provided for in this Agreement.

(b) The foregoing power of attorney is hereby declared to be irrevocable and a power coupled with an interest, and it shall survive and, to the maximum extent permitted by law, not be affected by the subsequent death, incompetency, disability, incapacity, dissolution,

bankruptcy or termination of any Limited Partner or Assignee and the transfer of all or any portion of such Limited Partner's or Assignee's Partnership Interest and shall extend to such Limited Partner's or Assignee's heirs, successors, assigns and personal representatives. Each such Limited Partner or Assignee hereby agrees to be bound by any representation made by the General Partner or the Liquidator acting in good faith pursuant to such power of attorney; and each such Limited Partner or Assignee, to the maximum extent permitted by law, hereby waives any and all defenses that may be available to contest, negate or disaffirm the action of the General Partner or the Liquidator taken in good faith under such power of attorney. Each Limited Partner or Assignee shall execute and deliver to the General Partner or the Liquidator, within 15 days after receipt of the request therefor, such further designation, powers of attorney and other instruments as the General Partner or the Liquidator may request in order to effectuate this Agreement and the purposes of the Partnership.

Section 2.7 Term.

The term of the Partnership commenced upon the filing of the Certificate of Limited Partnership in accordance with the Delaware Act and shall continue in existence until the dissolution of the Partnership in accordance with the provisions of Article XII. The existence of the Partnership as a separate legal entity shall continue until the cancellation of the Certificate of Limited Partnership as provided in the Delaware Act.

Section 2.8 Title to Partnership

Assets.

Title to Partnership assets, whether real, personal or mixed and whether tangible or intangible, shall be deemed to be owned by the Partnership as an entity, and no Partner or Assignee, individually or collectively, shall have any ownership interest in such Partnership assets or any portion thereof. Title to any or all of the Partnership assets may be held in the name of the Partnership, the General Partner, one or more of its Affiliates or one or more nominees, as the General Partner may determine. The General Partner hereby declares and warrants that any Partnership assets for which record title is held in the name of the General Partner or one or more of its Affiliates or one or more nominees, shall be held by the General Partner or such Affiliate or nominee for the use and benefit of the Partnership in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; *provided, however*, that the General Partner shall use reasonable efforts to cause record title to such assets (other than those assets in respect of which the General Partner determines that the expense and difficulty of conveyancing makes transfer of record title to the Partnership impracticable) to be vested in the Partnership as soon as reasonably practicable; *provided, further*, that, prior to the withdrawal or removal of the General Partner or as soon thereafter as practicable, the General Partner shall use reasonable efforts to effect the transfer of record title to the Partnership and, prior to any such transfer, will provide for the use of such assets in a manner satisfactory to the General Partner. All Partnership assets shall be recorded as the property of the Partnership in its books and records, irrespective of the name in which record title to such Partnership assets is held.

ARTICLE III

RIGHTS OF LIMITED PARTNERS

Section 3.1 *Limitation of Liability*.

The Limited Partners and the Assignees shall have no liability under this Agreement except as expressly provided in this Agreement or the Delaware Act.

Section 3.2 Management of Business.

No Limited Partner or Assignee, in its capacity as such, shall participate in the operation, management or control (within the meaning of the Delaware Act) of the Partnership's business, transact any business in the Partnership's name or have the power to sign documents for or otherwise bind the Partnership. Any action taken by any Affiliate of the General Partner or any officer, director, employee, manager, member, general partner, agent or trustee of the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, or any officer, director, employee, manager, member, general partner, agent or trustee of a Group Member, in its capacity as such, shall not be deemed to be participation in the control of the business of the Partnership by a limited partner of the Partnership (within the meaning of Section 17-303(a) of the Delaware Act) and shall not affect, impair or eliminate the limitations on the liability of the Limited Partners or Assignees under this Agreement.

Section 3.3 *Outside Activities of the Limited Partners.*

Subject to the provisions of Section 7.5, which shall continue to be applicable to the Persons referred to therein, but otherwise notwithstanding any duty existing at law or in equity, any Limited Partner or Assignee shall be entitled to and may have business interests and engage in business activities in addition to those relating to the Partnership, including business interests and activities in direct competition with the Partnership Group. Neither the Partnership nor any of the other Partners or Assignees shall have any rights by virtue of this Agreement in any business ventures of any Limited Partner or Assignee.

Section 3.4 *Rights of Limited Partners.*

(a) In addition to other rights provided by this Agreement or by applicable law, and except as limited by Section 3.4(b), each Limited Partner shall have the right, for a purpose reasonably related to such Limited Partner's interest as a Limited Partner in the Partnership, upon reasonable written demand stating the purpose of such demand, and at such Limited Partner's own expense:

(i) to obtain true and full information regarding the status of the business and financial condition of the Partnership (*provided* that the requirements of this Section 3.4(a)(i) shall be satisfied by furnishing to a Limited Partner upon its demand pursuant to this Section 3.4(a)(i) the Partnership's most recent filings with the Commission on Form 10-K and any subsequent filings on Form 10-Q and 8-K);

(ii) promptly after its becoming available, to obtain a copy of the Partnership's federal, state and local income tax returns for each year;

(iii) to obtain a current list of the name and last known business, residence or mailing address of each Partner;

(iv) to obtain a copy of this Agreement and the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all amendments thereto, together with copies of all executed powers of attorney pursuant to which this Agreement, the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all amendments thereto have been executed;

(v) to obtain true and full information regarding the amount of cash and a description and statement of the Net Agreed Value of any other Capital Contribution by each Partner and that each Partner has agreed to contribute in the future, and the date on which each became a Partner; and

(vi) to obtain such other information regarding the affairs of the Partnership as is just and reasonable.

(b) The General Partner may keep confidential from the Limited Partners and Assignees, for such period of time as the General Partner deems reasonable, (i) any information that the General Partner reasonably believes to be in the nature of trade secrets or (ii) other information the disclosure of which the General Partner in good faith believes (A) is not in the best interests of the Partnership Group, (B) could damage the Partnership Group or its business or (C) that any Group Member is required by law or by agreement with any third party to keep confidential (other than agreements with Affiliates of the Partnership the primary purpose of which is to circumvent the obligations set forth in this Section 3.4).

ARTICLE IV

CERTIFICATES; RECORD HOLDERS; TRANSFER OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS; REDEMPTION OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS

Section 4.1 *Certificates*.

Upon the Partnership's issuance of Common Units, Class B Units or Subordinated Units to any Person, the Partnership shall issue, upon the request of such Person, one or more Certificates in the name of such Person (or, if issued in global form, in the name of the Depositary or its nominee) evidencing the number of such Units being so issued. In addition, (a) upon the General Partner's request, the Partnership shall issue to it one or more Certificates in the name of the General Partner evidencing its General Partner Units and (b) upon the request of any Person owning Incentive Distribution Rights or any other Partnership Securities other than Common Units, Class B Units or Subordinated Units, the Partnership shall issue to such Person one or more certificates evidencing such Incentive Distribution Rights or other Partnership Securities other than Common Units, Class B Units or Subordinated Units. Certificates shall be executed by the General Partner on behalf of

the Partnership by the President or any Executive Vice President, Senior Vice President, Vice President or the Chief Financial Officer and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the General Partner. No Common Unit Certificate shall be valid for any purpose until it has been countersigned by the Transfer Agent; *provided*, *however*, that if the General Partner elects to issue certificates for Common Units in global form, the Common Unit Certificates shall be valid upon receipt of a certificate from the Transfer Agent certifying that the Common Units have been duly registered in accordance with the directions of the Partnership. Subject to the requirements of Section 6.7 and Section 6.9, the Partners holding Certificates evidencing Subordinated Units or Class B Units may exchange such Certificates for Certificates evidencing Common Units on or after the date on which such Subordinated Units or Class B Units are converted into Common Units pursuant to the terms of Section 5.7 or Section 5.12(b)(vi), as applicable.

Section 4.2 Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Certificates.

(a) If any mutilated Certificate is surrendered to the Transfer Agent, the appropriate officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership shall execute, and the Transfer Agent shall countersign and deliver in exchange therefor, a new Certificate evidencing the same number and type of Partnership Securities as the Certificate so surrendered.

(b) The appropriate officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership shall execute and deliver, and the Transfer Agent shall countersign, a new Certificate in place of any Certificate previously issued if the Record Holder of the Certificate:

(i) makes proof by affidavit, in form and substance satisfactory to the General Partner, that a previously issued Certificate has been lost, destroyed or stolen;

(ii) requests the issuance of a new Certificate before the General Partner has notice that the Certificate has been acquired by a purchaser for value in good faith and without notice of an adverse claim;

(iii) if requested by the General Partner, delivers to the General Partner a bond, in form and substance satisfactory to the General Partner, with surety or sureties and with fixed or open penalty as the General Partner may direct to indemnify the Partnership, the Partners, the General Partner and the Transfer Agent against any claim that may be made on account of the alleged loss, destruction or theft of the Certificate; and

(iv) satisfies any other reasonable requirements imposed by the General Partner.

If a Limited Partner or Assignee fails to notify the General Partner within a reasonable period of time after he has notice of the loss, destruction or theft of a Certificate, and a transfer of the Limited Partner Interests represented by the Certificate is registered before the Partnership, the General Partner or the Transfer Agent receives such notification, the Limited Partner or Assignee shall be precluded from making any claim against the Partnership, the General Partner or the Transfer Agent for such transfer or for a new Certificate.

(c) As a condition to the issuance of any new Certificate under this Section 4.2, the General Partner may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other



governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Transfer Agent) reasonably connected therewith.

Section 4.3 *Record Holders*.

The Partnership shall be entitled to recognize the Record Holder as the Partner or Assignee with respect to any Partnership Interest and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to, or interest in, such Partnership Interest on the part of any other Person, regardless of whether the Partnership shall have actual or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by law or any applicable rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which such Partnership Interests are listed or admitted to trading. Without limiting the foregoing, when a Person (such as a broker, dealer, bank, trust company or clearing corporation or an agent of any of the foregoing) is acting as nominee, agent or in some other representative capacity for another Person in acquiring and/or holding Partnership Interests, as between the Partnership on the one hand, and such other Persons on the other, such representative Person (a) shall be the Partner or Assignee (as the case may be) of record and beneficially, and (b) shall be bound by this Agreement and shall have the rights and obligations of a Partner or Assignee (as the case may be) hereunder and as, and to the extent, provided for herein.

Section 4.4 Transfer

Generally.

(a) The term "*transfer*," when used in this Agreement with respect to a Partnership Interest, shall be deemed to refer to a transaction (i) by which the General Partner assigns its General Partner Units to another Person or by which a holder of Incentive Distribution Rights assigns its Incentive Distribution Rights to another Person, and includes a sale, assignment, gift, pledge, encumbrance, hypothecation, mortgage, exchange or any other disposition by law or otherwise or (ii) by which the holder of a Limited Partner Interest (other than an Incentive Distribution Right) assigns such Limited Partner Interest to another Person who is or becomes a Limited Partner or an Assignee, and includes a sale, assignment, gift, exchange or any other disposition by law or otherwise, excluding a pledge, encumbrance, hypothecation or mortgage but including any transfer upon foreclosure of any pledge, encumbrance, hypothecation or mortgage.

(b) No Partnership Interest shall be transferred, in whole or in part, except in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Article IV. Any transfer or purported transfer of a Partnership Interest not made in accordance with this Article IV shall be, to the fullest extent permitted by law, null and void.

(c) Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent a disposition by any stockholder, member, partner or other owner of the General Partner of any or all of the shares of stock, membership interests, partnership interests or other ownership interests in the General Partner.

Section 4.5 Registration and Transfer of Limited Partner Interests.

(a) The General Partner shall keep or cause to be kept on behalf of the Partnership a register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe and subject to the

provisions of Section 4.5(b), the Partnership will provide for the registration and transfer of Limited Partner Interests. The Transfer Agent is hereby appointed registrar and transfer agent for the purpose of registering Common Units and transfers of such Common Units as herein provided. The Partnership shall not recognize transfers of Certificates evidencing Limited Partner Interests unless such transfers are effected in the manner described in this Section 4.5. Upon surrender of a Certificate for registration of transfer of any Limited Partner Interests evidenced by a Certificate, and subject to the provisions of Section 4.5(b), the appropriate officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership shall execute and deliver, and in the case of Common Units, the Transfer Agent shall countersign and deliver, in the name of the holder or the designated transferee or transferees, as required pursuant to the holder's instructions, one or more new Certificates evidencing the same aggregate number and type of Limited Partner Interests as was evidenced by the Certificate so surrendered.

(b) The General Partner shall not recognize any transfer of Limited Partner Interests until the Certificates evidencing such Limited Partner Interests are surrendered for registration of transfer and such Certificates are accompanied by a Transfer Application, properly completed and duly executed by the transferee (or the transferee's attorney-in-fact duly authorized in writing). No charge shall be imposed by the General Partner for such transfer; *provided*, that as a condition to the issuance of any new Certificate under this Section 4.5, the General Partner may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed with respect thereto. No changes in distributions or allocations will be made in respect of the Limited Partner Interests until a properly completed Transfer Application has been delivered with respect to such Limited Partner Interests.

(c) Limited Partner Interests may be transferred only in the manner described in this Section 4.5. The transfer of any Limited Partner Interests and the admission of any new Limited Partner shall not constitute an amendment to this Agreement.

(d) Until admitted as a Substituted Limited Partner pursuant to Section 10.2, the Record Holder of a Limited Partner Interest shall be an Assignee in respect of such Limited Partner Interest. Limited Partners may include custodians, nominees or any other individual or entity in its own or any representative capacity.

(e) A transferee of a Limited Partner Interest who has completed and delivered a Transfer Application shall be deemed to have (i) requested admission as a Substituted Limited Partner, (ii) agreed to comply with and be bound by and to have executed this Agreement, (iii) represented and warranted that such transferee has the right, power and authority and, if an individual, the capacity to enter into this Agreement, (iv) granted the powers of attorney set forth in this Agreement, and (v) given the consents and approvals and made the waivers contained in this Agreement.

(f) Subject to (i) the foregoing provisions of this Section 4.5, (ii) Section 4.3, (iii) Section 4.8, (iv) with respect to any class or series of Limited Partner Interests, the other provisions of this Agreement, including any statement of designations or amendment to this Agreement, establishing or otherwise relating to such class or series, (v) any contractual provisions binding on any Limited Partner and (vi) provisions of applicable law, including the

Securities Act and the Securities Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, Limited Partner Interests (other than the Incentive Distribution Rights, the transfer of which is subject to Section 4.7) shall be freely transferable.

(g) The General Partner and its Affiliates shall have the right at any time to transfer their Subordinated Units, Class B Units and Common Units (whether issued upon conversion of the Subordinated Units, the Class B Units or otherwise) to one or more Persons.

Section 4.6 Transfer of the General Partner's General Partner Interest.

(a) Subject to Section 4.6(c) below, prior to March 31, 2017, the General Partner shall not transfer all or any part of its General Partner Interest (represented by General Partner Units) to a Person unless such transfer (i) has been approved by the prior written consent or vote of the holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units (excluding Common Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates) or (ii) is of all, but not less than all, of its General Partner Interest to (A) an Affiliate of the General Partner (other than an individual) or (B) another Person (other than an individual) in connection with the merger or consolidation of the General Partner with or into such other Person or the transfer by the General Partner of all or substantially all of its assets to such other Person.

(b) Subject to Section 4.6(c) below, on or after March 31, 2017, the General Partner may transfer all or any of its General Partner Interest without the approval of the holder(s) of any class or series of Units.

(c) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no transfer by the General Partner of all or any part of its General Partner Interest to another Person shall be permitted unless (i) the transferee agrees to assume the rights and duties of the General Partner under this Agreement and to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement, (ii) the Partnership receives an Opinion of Counsel that such transfer would not result in the loss of limited liability under Delaware law of any Limited Partner or cause the Partnership to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise to be taxed as an entity for federal income tax purposes (to the extent not already so treated or taxed) and (iii) such transferee also agrees to purchase all (or the appropriate portion thereof, if applicable) of the partnership or membership or limited liability company interest of the General Partner as the general partner or managing member, if any, of each other Group Member. In the case of a transfer pursuant to and in compliance with this Section 4.6, the transferee or successor (as the case may be) shall, subject to compliance with the terms of Section 10.3, be admitted to the Partnership as the General Partner immediately prior to the transfer of the General Partner Interest, and the business of the Partnership shall continue without dissolution.

Section 4.7 Transfer of Incentive Distribution Rights.

Prior to March 31, 2017, a holder of Incentive Distribution Rights may transfer any or all of the Incentive Distribution Rights held by such holder without any consent of the Unitholders to (a) an Affiliate of such holder (other than an individual) or (b) another Person (other than an individual) in connection with (i) the merger or consolidation of such holder of Incentive

Distribution Rights with or into such other Person, (ii) the transfer by such holder of Incentive Distribution Rights of all or substantially all of its assets to such other Person or (iii) the sale of all the ownership interests in such holder of Incentive Distribution Rights, *provided* that, in the case of a transfer pursuant to this clause (iii) the initial holder of the Incentive Distribution Rights continues to remain as the General Partner following such sale. Any other transfer of the Incentive Distribution Rights prior to March 31, 2017 shall require the prior approval of holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units (excluding Common Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates). On or after March 31, 2017, the General Partner or any other holder of Incentive Distribution Rights may transfer any or all of its Incentive Distribution Rights without Unitholder approval. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no transfer of Incentive Distribution Rights to another Person shall be permitted unless the transferee agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement. The General Partner and any transferee or transferees of the Incentive Distribution Rights may agree in a separate instrument as to the General Partner's exercise of its rights with respect to the Incentive Distribution Rights under Section 11.3 hereof.

Section 4.8 *Restrictions Transfers*.

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(a) Except as provided in Section 4.8(d) below, but notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article IV, no transfer of any Partnership Interests shall be made if such transfer would (i) violate the then applicable federal or state securities laws or rules and regulations of the Commission, any state securities commission or any other governmental authority with jurisdiction over such transfer, (ii) terminate the existence or qualification of the Partnership under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation, or (iii) cause the Partnership to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise to be taxed as an entity for federal income tax purposes (to the extent not already so treated or taxed).

(b) The General Partner may impose restrictions on the transfer of Partnership Interests if (i) it receives an Opinion of Counsel that such restrictions are necessary to avoid a significant risk of the Partnership becoming taxable as a corporation or otherwise becoming taxable as an entity for federal income tax purposes or (ii) the holding of Units by a Person (A) not subject to United States federal income taxation on the income generated by the Partnership or (B) in the case of entities that are pass-through entities for United States federal income taxation would have a material adverse effect on the economic interests of the Partnership. The General Partner may impose such restrictions by amending this Agreement; *provided, however*, that any amendment that would result in the delisting or suspension of trading of any class of admitted to trading must be approved, prior to such amendment being effected, by the holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Limited Partner Interests of such class.

(c) The transfer of a Subordinated Unit that has-converted into a Common Unit shall be subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 6.7. The transfer of a Class B Unit or a Converted Class B Unit shall be subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 6.9.

(d) Nothing contained in this Article IV, or elsewhere in this Agreement, shall preclude the settlement of any transactions involving Partnership Interests entered into through the facilities of any National Securities Exchange on which such Partnership Interests are listed or admitted to trading.

(e) Each certificate evidencing Partnership Interests shall bear a conspicuous legend in substantially the following form:

THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY ACKNOWLEDGES FOR THE BENEFIT OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. THAT THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED IF SUCH TRANSFER WOULD (A) VIOLATE THE THEN APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS OR RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY WITH JURISDICTION OVER SUCH TRANSFER, (B) TERMINATE THE EXISTENCE OR QUALIFICATION OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, OR (C) CAUSE CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. TO BE TREATED AS AN ASSOCIATION TAXABLE AS A CORPORATION OR OTHERWISE TO BE TAXED AS AN ENTITY FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES (TO THE EXTENT NOT ALREADY SO TREATED OR TAXED). CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC, THE GENERAL PARTNER OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P., MAY IMPOSE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IF IT RECEIVES AN OPINION OF COUNSEL THAT SUCH RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY TO AVOID A SIGNIFICANT RISK OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. BECOMING TAXABLE AS A CORPORATION OR OTHERWISE BECOMING TAXABLE AS AN ENTITY FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH ABOVE SHALL NOT PRECLUDE THE SETTLEMENT OF ANY TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THIS SECURITY ENTERED INTO THROUGH THE FACILITIES OF ANY NATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE ON WHICH THIS SECURITY IS LISTED OR ADMITTED TO TRADING.

Section 4.9 *Citizenship Certificates; Non-citizen Assignees.*

(a) If any Group Member is or becomes subject to any federal, state or local law or regulation that the General Partner determines would create a substantial risk of cancellation or forfeiture of any property in which the Group Member has an interest based on the nationality, citizenship or other related status of a Limited Partner or Assignee, the General Partner may request any Limited Partner or Assignee to furnish to the General Partner, within 30 days after receipt of such request, an executed Citizenship Certification or such other information

concerning such Limited Partner's or Assignee's nationality, citizenship or other related status (or, if the Limited Partner or Assignee is a nominee holding for the account of another Person, the nationality, citizenship or other related status of such Person) as the General Partner may request. If a Limited Partner or Assignee fails to furnish to the General Partner within the aforementioned 30-day period such Citizenship Certification or other requested information or if upon receipt of such Citizenship Certification or other requested information or if upon receipt of such Citizenship Certification or other requested information or in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.10. In addition, the General Partner may require that the status of any such Limited Partner or Assignee be changed to that of a Non-citizen Assignee and, thereupon, such Non-citizen Assignee shall be subject of the Non-citizen Assignee's Limited Partner Interests. The General Partner shall be substituted for such Non-citizen Assignee as the Limited Partner or Assignee in respect of the Non-citizen Assignee's Limited Partner Interests and shall vote such Non-citizen Assignee as the Limited Partner or Assignee in respect of the Non-citizen Assignee's Limited Partner Interests. The General Partner shall be substituted for such Non-citizen Assignee as the Limited Partner or Assignee in respect of the Non-citizen Assignee's Limited Partner Interests and shall vote such Limited Partner Interests in accordance with Section 4.9(b).

(b) The General Partner shall, in exercising voting rights in respect of Limited Partner Interests held by it on behalf of Non-citizen Assignees, distribute the votes in the same ratios as the votes of Partners (including the General Partner) in respect of Limited Partner Interests other than those of Non-citizen Assignees are cast, either for, against or abstaining as to the matter.

(c) Upon dissolution of the Partnership, a Non-citizen Assignee shall have no right to receive a distribution in kind pursuant to Section 12.4 but shall be entitled to the cash equivalent thereof, and the Partnership shall provide cash in exchange for an assignment of the Non-citizen Assignee's share of any distribution in kind. Such payment and assignment shall be treated for Partnership purposes as a purchase by the Partnership from the Non-citizen Assignee's share of such Non-citizen Assignee's Limited Partner Interest (representing such Non-citizen Assignee's right to receive such Non-citizen Assignee's share of such distribution in kind).

(d) At any time after a Non-citizen Assignee can and does certify that such Non-citizen Assignee has become an Eligible Citizen, a Non-citizen Assignee may, upon application to the General Partner, request admission as a Substituted Limited Partner with respect to any Limited Partner Interests of such Non-citizen Assignee not redeemed pursuant to Section 4.10, and upon such Non-citizen Assignee's admission pursuant to Section 10.2, the General Partner shall cease to be deemed to be the Limited Partner in respect of the Non-citizen Assignee's Limited Partner Interests.

Section 4.10 Redemption of Partnership Interests of Non-citizen Assignees.

(a) If at any time a Limited Partner or Assignee fails to furnish a Citizenship Certification or other information requested within the 30-day period specified in Section 4.9(a), or if upon receipt of such Citizenship Certification or other information the General Partner determines, with the advice of counsel, that a Limited Partner or Assignee is not an Eligible Citizen, the Partnership may, unless the Limited Partner or Assignee establishes to the satisfaction of the

General Partner that such Limited Partner or Assignee is an Eligible Citizen or has transferred such Limited Partner's or Assignee's Partnership Interests to a Person who is an Eligible Citizen and who furnishes a Citizenship Certification to the General Partner prior to the date fixed for redemption as provided below, redeem the Limited Partner Interest of such Limited Partner or Assignee as follows:

(i) The General Partner shall, not later than the 30th day before the date fixed for redemption, give notice of redemption to the Limited Partner or Assignee, at such Limited Partner's or Assignee's last address designated on the records of the Partnership or the Transfer Agent, by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid. The notice shall be deemed to have been given when so mailed. The notice shall specify the Redeemable Interests, the date fixed for redemption, the place of payment, that payment of the redemption price will be made upon surrender of the Certificate evidencing the Redeemable Interests and that on and after the date fixed for redemption no further allocations or distributions to which the Limited Partner or Assignee would otherwise be entitled in respect of the Redeemable Interests will accrue or be made.

(ii) The aggregate redemption price for Redeemable Interests shall be an amount equal to the Current Market Price (the date of determination of which shall be the date fixed for redemption) of Limited Partner Interests of the class to be so redeemed multiplied by the number of Limited Partner Interests of each such class included among the Redeemable Interests. The redemption price shall be paid, as determined by the General Partner, in cash or by delivery of a promissory note of the Partnership in the principal amount of the redemption price, bearing interest at the rate of 5% annually and payable in three equal annual installments of principal together with accrued interest, commencing one year after the redemption date.

(iii) Upon surrender by or on behalf of the Limited Partner or Assignee, at the place specified in the notice of redemption, of the Certificate evidencing the Redeemable Interests, duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by an assignment duly executed in blank, the Limited Partner or Assignee or such Limited Partner's or Assignee's duly authorized representative shall be entitled to receive the payment therefor.

(iv) After the redemption date, Redeemable Interests shall no longer constitute issued and Outstanding Limited Partner Interests.

(b) The provisions of this Section 4.10 shall also be applicable to Limited Partner Interests held by a Limited Partner or Assignee as nominee of a Person determined to be other than an Eligible Citizen.

(c) Nothing in this Section 4.10 shall prevent the recipient of a notice of redemption from transferring such recipient's Limited Partner Interest before the redemption date if such transfer is otherwise permitted under this Agreement. Upon receipt of notice of such a transfer, the General Partner shall withdraw the notice of redemption, provided the transfere of such Limited Partner Interest certifies to the satisfaction of the General Partner in a Citizenship Certification delivered in connection with the Transfer Application that such transferee is an Eligible Citizen. If the transferee fails to make such certification, such redemption shall be effected from the transferee on the original redemption date.

Section 4.11 Taxation Certificates and Related Matters.

If at any time the General Partner determines, with the advice of counsel, that the Partnership's status as an entity not taxable as a corporation and not otherwise subject to an entity-level tax for federal, state or local income tax purposes, coupled with the tax status (or lack of proof of the federal income tax status) of one or more Limited Partners, has or will have a material adverse effect on the economic interests of the Partnership, then the General Partner may adopt such amendments to this Agreement, without the approval of any class or classes of Limited Partners, as it determines to be necessary or advisable to (i) obtain such proof of the federal income tax status of the Limited Partners and, to the extent relevant, their beneficial owners and thereby determine those Limited Partners whose federal income tax status has or will reasonably likely in the future have such a material adverse effect (such Limited Partners, together with any Limited Partner who fails to comply with the procedures instituted by the General Partner, an "*Ineligible Holder*") and (ii) permit the General Partner to redeem Units held by any Ineligible Holder, at the Current Market Price. Such amendments may include provisions requiring all Limited Partners to certify as to their federal income tax status upon demand and on a regular basis, as determined by the General Partner, and may require transferees of Units to so certify prior to being admitted to the Partnership as a Limited Partner.

ARTICLE V

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ISSUANCE OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS

Section 5.1 Organizational Contributions.

In connection with the formation of the Partnership under the Delaware Act, the General Partner made an initial Capital Contribution to the Partnership in the amount of \$20.00, for a General Partner Interest in the Partnership equivalent to a 2% Percentage Interest and has been admitted as the General Partner of the Partnership, and the Organizational Limited Partner made an initial Capital Contribution to the Partnership in the amount of \$980.00 for a Limited Partner Interest in the Partnership equivalent to a 98% Percentage Interest and has been admitted as a Limited Partner of the Partnership. As of the Closing Date, the interest of the Organizational Limited Partner shall be redeemed as provided in the Contribution Agreement; and the initial Capital Contribution of the Organizational Limited Partner shall thereupon be refunded. Ninety-eight percent of any interest or other profit that may have resulted from the investment or other use of such initial Capital Contributions prior to the Closing Date shall be allocated and distributed to the Organizational Limited Partner, and the balance thereof shall be allocated and distributed to the General Partner.

Section 5.2 *Contributions by the General Partner and its Affiliates.*

(a) On the Closing Date and pursuant to the Contribution Agreement: (i) the General Partner contributed to the Partnership, as a Capital Contribution, all of its ownership interests in Cheniere Energy Investments, LLC in exchange for (A) 3,302,045 General Partner Units representing a continuation of its 2% Percentage Interest, subject to all of the rights, privileges and duties of the General Partner under this Agreement, and (B) the Incentive Distribution

Rights, and (ii) Cheniere LNG Holdings contributed to the Partnership, as a Capital Contribution, all of its ownership interests in Cheniere Energy Investments, LLC in exchange for (A) 21,362,193 Common Units, (B) 135,383,831 Subordinated Units, (C) the right to receive distributions in certain circumstances from the Distribution Reserve Account pursuant to the terms of Section 5.11 and (D) the obligation to make contributions in certain circumstances to the Distribution Reserve Account pursuant to the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

(b) Upon the issuance of any additional Limited Partner Interests, except as provided in Section 5.12(b)(iii)(B) or Section 5.12(b) (vi)(E)5.12(b)(iii)(A), by the Partnership (other than the Common Units issued in the Initial Offering), the General Partner may, in exchange for a proportionate number of General Partner Units, make additional Capital Contributions in an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying (I) the quotient determined by dividing (A) the General Partner's Percentage Interest by (B) 100% minus the General Partner's Percentage Interest immediately prior to the issuance of such additional Limited Partner Interests by the Partnership times (II) the amount contributed to the Partnership by the Limited Partners in exchange for such additional Limited Partner Interests. Except as set forth in Article XII, the General Partner shall not be obligated to make any additional Capital Contributions to the Partnership.

Section 5.3 Contributions by Initial Limited Partners.

(a) On the Closing Date and pursuant to Underwriting Agreement, each Underwriter contributed to the Partnership cash in an amount equal to the Issue Price per Initial Common Unit, multiplied by the number of Common Units specified in the Underwriting Agreement to be purchased by such Underwriter on the Closing Date. In exchange for such Capital Contributions by the Underwriter, the Partnership issued Common Units to each Underwriter on whose behalf such Capital Contribution was made in an amount equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the cash contribution to the Partnership by or on behalf of such Underwriter by (ii) the Issue Price per Initial Common Unit.

(b) No Limited Partner Interests were issued or issuable as of or at March 26, 2007 other than (i) Common Units issuable pursuant to subparagraph (a) hereof in an aggregate number equal to 5,054,164, (ii) the 135,383,831 Subordinated Units issuable pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof, (iii) the 21,362,193 Common Units issuable pursuant to Section 5.2 and (iv) the Incentive Distribution Rights.

Section 5.4 Interest.

No interest shall be paid by the Partnership on Capital Contributions. No Partner or Assignee shall be entitled to the withdrawal or return of its Capital Contribution, except to the extent, if any, that distributions made pursuant to this Agreement or upon dissolution of the Partnership may be considered as such by law and then only to the extent provided for in this Agreement. Except to the extent expressly provided in this Agreement, no Partner or Assignee shall have priority over any other Partner or Assignee either as to the return of Capital Contributions or as to profits, losses or distributions. Any such return shall be a compromise to which all Partners and Assignees agree within the meaning of Section 17-502(b) of the Delaware Act.

Section 5.5 Capital

Accounts.

(a) The Partnership shall maintain for each Partner (or a beneficial owner of Partnership Interests held by a nominee in any case in which the nominee has furnished the identity of such owner to the Partnership in accordance with Section 6031(c) of the Code or any other method acceptable to the General Partner) owning a Partnership Interest a separate Capital Account with respect to such Partnership Interest in accordance with the rules of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv) and the related Proposed Treasury Regulation Sections regarding noncompensatory options. Such Capital Account shall be increased by (i) the amount of all Capital Contributions made to the Partnership interest to such Partnership Interest and (ii) all items of Partnership income and gain (including income and gain exempt from tax) computed in accordance with Section 5.5(b) and Section 5.5(d) and allocated to such Partner with respect to such Partnership Interest pursuant to Section 5.5(d), Section 5.12(b)(iv) and Section 5.5(b) and Section 5.5(d) and allocated to such Partnership Interest partnership Interest pursuant to Section 5.5(d), Section 5.5(d), Section 5.12(b)(iv) and Section 5.5(d) and allocated to such Partnership Interest and (y) all items of Partnership Interest pursuant to Section 5.5(d), Section 5.5(d), Section 5.12(b)(iv) and Section 5.5(d) and Section 5.5(d) and Section 5.5(d) and allocated to such Partnership Interest and (y) all items of Partnership Interest pursuant to Section 5.5(d), Section 5.12(b)(iv) and Section 5.5(d) and Section 5.5(d) and Section 5.5(d) and Section 5.5(d) and Section 5.12(b)(iv) and Section 5.12(b)(iv). For the avoidance of doubt, each Class B Unit will be treated as convertible equity as defined in Proposed Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-1, 1.721-2 and 1.761-3 at all times, including when the assets of the Partnership are reva

(b) For purposes of computing the amount of any item of income, gain, loss or deduction to be allocated pursuant to Article VI and reflected in the Partners' Capital Accounts, the determination, recognition and classification of any such item shall be the same as its determination, recognition and classification for federal income tax purposes (including any method of depreciation, cost recovery or amortization used for that purpose), *provided*, that:

(i) Solely for purposes of this Section 5.5, the Partnership shall be treated as owning directly its proportionate share (as determined by the General Partner based upon the provisions of the applicable Group Member Agreement) of all property owned by any other Group Member that is classified as a partnership for federal income tax purposes.

(ii) All fees and other expenses incurred by the Partnership to promote the sale of (or to sell) a Partnership Interest that can neither be deducted nor amortized under Section 709 of the Code, if any, shall, for purposes of Capital Account maintenance, be treated as an item of deduction at the time such fees and other expenses are incurred and shall be allocated

among the Partners pursuant to Section 6.1.

(iii) Except as otherwise provided in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), the computation of all items of income, gain, loss and deduction shall be made without regard to any election under Section 754 of the Code that may be made by the Partnership and, as to those items described in Section 705(a)(1)(B) or 705(a)(2)(B) of the Code, without regard to the fact that such items are not includable in gross income or are neither currently deductible nor capitalized for federal income tax purposes. To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted tax basis of any Partnership asset pursuant to Section 734(b) or 743(b) of the Code is required, pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts, the amount of such adjustment to the Capital Accounts shall be treated as an item of gain or loss.

(iv) Any income, gain or loss attributable to the taxable disposition of any Partnership property shall be determined as if the adjusted basis of such property as of such date of disposition were equal in amount to the Partnership's Carrying Value with respect to such property as of such date.

(v) In accordance with the requirements of Section 704(b) of the Code, any deductions for depreciation, cost recovery or amortization attributable to any Contributed Property shall be determined as if the adjusted basis of such property on the date it was acquired by the Partnership were equal to the Agreed Value of such property. Upon an adjustment pursuant to Section 5.5(d) to the Carrying Value of any Partnership property subject to depreciation, cost recovery or amortization, any further deductions for such depreciation, cost recovery or amortization attributable to such property shall be determined pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-3(d)(2) as if the adjusted basis of such property were equal to the Carrying Value of such property immediately following such adjustment.

(vi) If the Partnership's adjusted basis in a depreciable or cost recovery property is reduced for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 48(q)(1) or 48(q)(3) of the Code, the amount of such reduction shall, solely for purposes hereof, be deemed to be an additional depreciation or cost recovery deduction in the year such property is placed in service and shall be allocated among the Partners pursuant to Section 6.1. Any restoration of such basis pursuant to Section 48(q)(2) of the Code shall, to the extent possible, be allocated in the year of such restoration in the same manner to the Partners to whom such deemed deduction was allocated.

(c)

(i) A transferee of a Partnership Interest shall succeed to a pro rata portion of the Capital Account of the transferor relating to the Partnership Interest so transferred.

(ii) Subject to Section 6.7(c), immediately prior to the transfer of a Subordinated Unit or of a Subordinated Unit that hasconverted into a Common Unit pursuant to Section 5.7 by a holder thereof (other than a transfer to an Affiliate unless the General Partner elects to have this subparagraph Section 5.5(c)(ii) apply), the Capital Account maintained for such

Person with respect to its Subordinated Units or converted Subordinated Units will (A) *first*, be allocated to the Subordinated Units or converted Subordinated Units to be transferred in an amount equal to the product of (x) the number of such Subordinated Units or converted Subordinated Units to be transferred and (y) the Per Unit Capital Amount for a Common Unit, and (B) *second*, any remaining balance in such Capital Account will be retained by the transferor, regardless of whether it has retained any Subordinated Units or converted Subordinated Units (*"Retained Converted Subordinated Units"*). Following any such allocation, the transferor's Capital Account, if any, maintained with respect to the retained Subordinated Units or Retained Converted Subordinated Units, if any, will have a balance equal to the amount allocated under clause (B) hereinabove, and the transferee's Capital Account established with respect to the retained Units will have a balance equal to the amount allocated under clause (A) hereinabove.

(d)

(i) In accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(f) and Proposed Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(f) and 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s), on (A) an issuance of additional Partnership Interests for cash or Contributed Property, the issuance of Partnership Interests as consideration for the provision of services or the conversion of the General Partner's Combined Interest to Common Units pursuant to Section 11.3(b), or (B) the conversion of a Class B Unit and any related issuance of additional General Partner Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)(E), the Capital Accounts of all Partners and the Carrying Value of each Partnership property shall, immediately prior to an event described in clause (A) above or immediately after a conversion described in clause (B) above, as applicable, be adjusted upward or downward to reflect any Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss attributable to such Partnership property, as if such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss had been recognized on an actual sale of each such property for an amount equal to its fair market value at such time. Any such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss (or items thereof) shall (1) in the case of an event described in clause (A) above, be allocated among the Unitholders (other than the Unitholders holding Class B Units in respect of such Class B Units) pursuant to Section 6.1(c) in the same manner as any item of gain or loss actually recognized following an event giving rise to the allocated to the Partnership would have been allocated, and (2) in the case of a conversion described in clause (B) above, (aa) first be allocated to the Partners holding Converted Class B Units until the Capital Account of a Common Unit, (bb) second be allocated to the General Partner by (y) a percentage equal to 100% less such Percentage Interest and (II) the sum of the amounts allocated in clause (aa) above, and (cc) any remaining Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss shall be allocated among the Partners purs

Capital Account of each holder with respect to each Converted Class B Unit to equal the Per Unit Capital Amount of a Common Unit, then in accordance with Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s)(3), Capital Account balances shall be reallocated between the Partners holding Converted Class B Units and Common Units (other than Converted Class B Units) so as to cause the Capital Account of each holder of Converted Class B Units with respect to such Units to equal, on a per unit basis, the Per Unit Capital Amount of a Common Unit after taking into account the impact of such a reallocation of Capital Account balances on the Per Unit Capital Amount of a Common Unit. If Capital Account balances are reallocated pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence, the Partnership shall make corrective allocations so as to take into account the reallocation of Capital Account balances, as provided in Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(4)(x).

(ii) In determining such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss, the aggregate cash amount and fair market value of all Partnership assets (including cash or cash equivalents) immediately prior to the event described in clause (i)(A) above, or immediately after the conversion described in clause (i)(B) above, shall be determined by the General Partner using such method of valuation as it may adopt; *provided, however*, in accordance with the principles set forth in Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(h)(2), the General Partner, in arriving at such valuation, must take fully into account the fair market value of the Partnership Interests of all Partners at such time, and must reduce the fair market value of the Partnership's assets by the excess, if any, of the fair market value of all Outstanding Class B Units that have not yet been converted in a conversion described in clause (i)(B) above over the aggregate Issue Price of such Class B Units. The General Partner shall allocate such aggregate value among the assets of the Partnership (in such manner as it determines) to arrive at a fair market value for individual properties.

(iii) In accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(f), immediately prior to any distribution to a Partner (other than a distribution of cash that is not in redemption or retirement of a Partnership Interest), the General Partner may cause any Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss attributable to each Partnership property to be recognized and allocated in the same manner as that provided in Section 5.5(d)(i) as if there had been a sale of such property immediately prior to such distribution, in which event the Carrying Value of each Partnership property shall be adjusted as of the beginning of the next taxable period to an amount equal to the fair market value thereof; *provided* that the General Partner shall cause Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss to be recognized and Carrying Values to be adjusted if doing so would permit Corrective Allocations to be made pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(xii) and provided further, in accordance with the principles set forth in Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(h)(2), the General Partner, in arriving at such valuation, must take fully into account the fair market value of the Partnership Interests of all Partners at such time, and must reduce the fair market value of the Partnership's assets by the excess, if any, of the fair market value of all Outstanding Class B Units that have not yet been converted in a conversion described in clause (i)(B) above over the aggregate Issue Price of such Class B Units. In determining such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss, the aggregate cash amount and fair market value of all Partnership assets immediately prior to a distribution shall (A) in

the case of a distribution that is not made pursuant to Section 12.4 be determined and allocated in the same manner as that provided in Section 5.5(d)(i) or (B) in the case of a liquidating distribution pursuant to Section 12.4, be determined and allocated by the Liquidator using such reasonable method of valuation as it may adopt.

Section 5.6 Issuances of Additional Partnership Securities.

(a) The Partnership may issue additional Partnership Securities and options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights relating to the Partnership Securities for any Partnership purpose at any time and from time to time to such Persons for such consideration and on such terms and conditions as the General Partner shall determine, all without the approval of any Limited Partners; *provided, however*, that during the Subordination Period the Partnership must obtain Special Approval prior to issuing any additional Common Units or Units with designations, preferences, rights, powers and duties senior to or *pari passu* with the Common Units.

(b) Each additional Partnership Security authorized to be issued by the Partnership pursuant to Section 5.6(a) may be issued in one or more classes, or one or more series of any such classes, with such designations, preferences, rights, powers and duties (which, subject to the provision contained in Section 5.6(a), may be senior to existing classes and series of Partnership Securities), as shall be fixed by the General Partner, including (i) the right to share in Partnership profits and losses or items thereof; (ii) the right to share in Partnership distributions; (iii) the rights upon dissolution and liquidation of the Partnership; (iv) whether, and the terms and conditions upon which, the Partnership may or shall be required to redeem the Partnership Security (including sinking fund provisions); (v) whether such Partnership Security is issued with the privilege of conversion or exchange and, if so, the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange; (vi) the terms and conditions upon which, each Partnership Security will be issued, evidenced by certificates and assigned or transferred; (vii) the method for determining the Percentage Interest as to such Partnership Security; and (viii) the right, if any, of each such Partnership Security to vote on Partnership matters, including matters relating to the relative rights, preferences and privileges of such Partnership Security.

(c) The General Partner shall take all actions that it determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with (i) each issuance of Partnership Securities and options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights relating to Partnership Securities pursuant to this Section 5.6, (ii) the conversion of the General Partner Interest or any Incentive Distribution Rights into Units pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, (iii) the admission of Additional Limited Partners and (iv) all additional issuances of Partnership Securities. The General Partner shall determine the relative rights, powers and duties of the holders of the Units or other Partnership Securities being so issued. The General Partner shall do all things necessary to comply with the Delaware Act and is authorized and directed to do all things that it determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with any future issuance of Partnership Securities or in connection with the conversion of the General Partner Interest or any Incentive Distribution Rights into Units pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, including compliance with any statute, rule, regulation or guideline of any federal, state or other governmental agency or any National Securities Exchange on which the Units or other Partnership Securities are listed or admitted to trading.

Section 5.7 Conversion of Subordinated Units; Cancellation.

(a) All of the Subordinated Units will convert into Common Units on a one-for-one basis on the first Business Day following the distribution of Available Cash to Partners pursuant to Section 6.4(a) in respect of the earlier of any Quarter in respect of which:

(i) distributions of Available Cash from Operating Surplus under Section 6.4(a) on each of the Outstanding Common Units (assuming conversion of the Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)), Subordinated Units and any other Outstanding Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units with respect to each of the three consecutive, non-overlapping four-Quarter periods immediately preceding such date equaled or exceeded the sum of the Initial Quarterly Distribution on all of the Outstanding Common Units (assuming conversion of the Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)), Subordinated Units, General Partner Units and any other Outstanding Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units, and

(ii) the Adjusted Operating Surplus for each of the three consecutive, non-overlapping four-Quarter periods immediately preceding such date (which three consecutive, non-overlapping four-Quarter periods commence on or after the Closing Date) equaled or exceeded the sum of the Initial Quarterly Distribution on all of the Outstanding Common Units (assuming conversion of the Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)), Subordinated Units, General Partner Units and any other Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units that were Outstanding during such periods on a Fully Diluted Basis; and

(iii) there are no Cumulative Common Unit Arrearages.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 5.7(a), all of the Outstanding Subordinated Units will convert into Common Units on a one-for-one basis on the first Business Day following the distribution of Available Cash to Partners pursuant to Section 6.4 in respect of any Quarter in respect of which:

(i) in connection with distributions of Available Cash from Operating Surplus under Section 6.4(a), the amount of such distributions constituting Contracted Adjusted Operating Surplus on each of the Outstanding Common Units (assuming conversion of the Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)), Subordinated Units and any other Outstanding Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units with respect to each of the four consecutive Quarters immediately preceding such date equaled or exceeded the sum of the Third Target Distribution on all of the Outstanding Common Units (assuming conversion of the Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)), Subordinated Units, General Partner Units and any other Outstanding Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units; and

(ii) the Contracted Adjusted Operating Surplus for each of the four consecutive Quarters immediately preceding such date (which four consecutive Quarter period commences after the Closing Date) equaled or exceeded the sum of the Third Target Distribution on all of the Outstanding Common Units (assuming conversion of the Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)), Subordinated Units, General Partner Units, any other Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units and any other Equity Securities that are junior to the Subordinated Units that the Board of Directors deems to be appropriate for the calculation after consultation and the recommendation of management of the General Partner that were Outstanding during such periods on a Fully Diluted Basis with respect to such Quarter; and

(iii) there are no Cumulative Common Unit Arrearages.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, all the Subordinated Units will automatically convert into Common Units on a one-for-one basis as set forth in, and pursuant to the terms of, Section 11.4.

(d) A Subordinated Unit that has converted into a Common Unit shall be subject to the provisions of Section 6.7.

(e) In the event that either the Train 3 Condition or the Train 4 Condition is not satisfied on or prior to the Measurement Date, solely for purposes of subsections (i) and (ii) below the Partnership will estimate distributions for the first consecutive four-Quarter period following the commencement date of the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement with the most recent "Date of First Commercial Delivery" (as set forth in the respective LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements) based solely upon a good faith estimate by the Board of Directors of Contracted Adjusted Operating Surplus.

(i) In the event that the Train 3 Condition is not satisfied on or prior to the Measurement Date, then a number of Outstanding Subordinated Units shall be canceled by an amount necessary to permit the Partnership to distribute Available Cash solely from Contracted Adjusted Operating Surplus equal to \$0.50 per each Outstanding Common Unit, Subordinated Unit, Class B Unit (assuming conversion thereof pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)) and any other Outstanding Limited Partner Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units per Quarter for such consecutive four-Quarter period.

(ii) In the event that the Train 3 Condition is satisfied but the Train 4 Condition is not satisfied on or prior to the Measurement Date, then the following number of Outstanding Subordinated Units shall be canceled: (i) 67,500,000, plus (ii) the additional amount necessary, if any, to permit the Partnership to distribute Available Cash solely from Contracted Adjusted Operating Surplus equal to \$0.50 per each Outstanding Common Unit, Subordinated Unit, Class B Unit (assuming conversion thereof pursuant to Section 5.12(b) (vi)) and any other Outstanding Limited Partner Units that are senior or equal in right of distribution to the Subordinated Units per Quarter for such consecutive four-Quarter period.

Upon a cancellation of Subordinated Units Outstanding pursuant to this Section 5.7(e), the balance in the Capital Account maintained for each such holder of Subordinated Units in respect of its Subordinated Units that are Outstanding prior to such cancellation will be retained by such holder and will be allocated (A) equally among any of such holder's Subordinated Units that are Outstanding after such cancellation or (B) to such holder's remaining Partnership Interests if no such Subordinated Units are Outstanding after such cancellation.

Section 5.8 Limited Preemptive Right.

Except as provided in Section 5.2, this Section 5.8 and Section 5.12(b)(vii), no Person shall have any preemptive, preferential or other similar right with respect to the issuance of any Partnership Security, whether unissued, held in the treasury or hereafter created. The General Partner shall have the right, which it may from time to time assign in whole or in part to any of its Affiliates, to purchase Partnership Securities from the Partnership whenever, and on the same terms that, the Partnership issues Partnership Securities to Persons other than the General Partner and its Affiliates (including in connection with any issuances subject to Section 5.12(b)(vii)), to the extent necessary to maintain the Percentage Interests of the General Partner and its Affiliates equal to any or all of those Percentage Interests that existed immediately prior to the issuance of such Partnership Securities.

Section 5.9 Splits Combinations. and

(a) Subject to Section 5.9(d), Section 6.6 and Section 6.9 (dealing with adjustments of distribution levels), the Partnership may make a Pro Rata distribution of Partnership Securities to all Record Holders or may effect a subdivision or combination of Partnership Securities so long as, after any such event, each Partner shall have the same Percentage Interest in the Partnership as before such event, and any amounts calculated on a per Unit basis (including any Common Unit Arrearage or Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage) or stated as a number of Units are proportionately adjusted.

(b) Whenever such a Pro Rata distribution or a subdivision or combination of Partnership Securities is declared, the General Partner shall select a Record Date as of which the distribution, subdivision or combination shall be effective and shall send notice thereof at least 20 days prior to such Record Date to each Record Holder as of a date not less than 10 days prior to the date of such notice. The General Partner also may cause a firm of independent public accountants selected by it to calculate the number of Partnership Securities to be held by each Record Holder after giving effect to such distribution, subdivision or combination. In addition, with respect to any such a distribution, subdivision or combination of any class of Partnership Securities that is convertible into another class of Partnership Securities or into which any class of Partnership Securities is convertible or exchangeable, appropriate adjustment shall be made either to assure that the specified conversion or combination, as the case may be, as the General Partner determines to be appropriate. The General Partner shall be entitled to rely on any certificate provided by such firm as conclusive evidence of the accuracy of such calculation.

(c) Promptly following any such distribution, subdivision or combination, the Partnership may issue Certificates to the Record Holders of Partnership Securities as of the applicable Record Date representing the new number of Partnership Securities held by such Record Holders, or the General Partner may adopt such other procedures that it determines to be necessary or appropriate to reflect such changes. If any such combination results in a smaller total number of Partnership Securities Outstanding, the Partnership shall require, as a condition to the delivery to a Record Holder of such new Certificate, the surrender of any Certificate held by such Record Holder immediately prior to such Record Date.

(d) The Partnership shall not issue fractional Units upon any distribution, subdivision or combination of Units. If a distribution, subdivision or combination of Units would result in the issuance of fractional Units but for the provisions of this Section 5.9(d), each fractional Unit shall be rounded to the nearest whole Unit (and a 0.5 Unit shall be rounded to the next higher Unit).

Section 5.10 Fully Paid and Non-Assessable Nature of Limited Partner Interests.

All Limited Partner Interests issued pursuant to, and in accordance with the requirements of, this Article V shall be fully paid and nonassessable Limited Partner Interests in the Partnership, except as such non-assessability may be affected by Sections 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware Act and the other provisions of this Agreement.

Section 5.11 Distribution Reserve

Account.

(a) Immediately prior to the closing of the Initial Public Offering, the Partnership established an account with a financial institution organized under the laws of the United States of America, or any state thereof, and having total assets in excess of \$500,000,000 and a combined capital and surplus of at least \$100,000,000 (the "*Distribution Reserve Account*").

(b) All amounts held in the Distribution Reserve Account, including interest and any other income on the investments in the Distribution Reserve Account, (i) shall be segregated from all other assets of the Partnership, (ii) shall not be used to pay Operating Expenditures, Expansion Capital Expenditures, Investment Capital Expenditures or transaction expenses related to an Interim Capital Transaction or to repurchase Units, (iii) shall not be set aside as reserves against Available Cash or Operating Surplus and (iv) subject to Section 5.11(e), shall be used by the Partnership only to make distributions of Available Cash to holders of Common Units and General Partner Units pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(i) and Section 6.4(a)(ii). The Partnership will not enter into any agreement that restricts the ability of the Partnership to distribute funds from the Distribution Reserve Account.

(c) On the Closing Date and pursuant to the Contribution Agreement, the Partnership deposited into the Distribution Reserve Account \$98,442,481 in cash proceeds from the Initial Offering, which proceeds were used on the Closing Date to purchase Treasury Securities maturing as to principal and interest at such times and in such amounts as the General Partner determined would be sufficient to pay the Initial Quarterly Distribution on the Initial Common Units and on the General Partner Units issued pursuant to Section 5.2(a) through the Quarter

ending on June 30, 2009.

(d) Upon the issuance of any additional Common Units by the Partnership prior to the Record Date for distributions payable for the Quarter ending June 30, 2009, the Partnership deposited into the Distribution Reserve Account sufficient cash proceeds from such issuance to purchase Treasury Securities or Eligible Investments maturing as to principal and interest at such times and in such amounts as equaled the amount necessary to pay the Initial Quarterly Distribution on the additional Common Units and additional General Partner Units, if any, so issued by the Partnership for each Quarter in the period commencing with the Quarter in which such additional Common Units and General Partner Units, if any, were so issued through the Quarter ending on June 30, 2009.

(e) In August 2009, the General Partner determined, with Special Approval, that there were more than sufficient funds in the Distribution Reserve Account to pay the Initial Quarterly Distribution on all Common Units and General Partner Units then Outstanding through the Distribution Reserve Period Termination Date, and therefore, the Partnership, at the request of Cheniere LNG Holdings, distributed such excess to Cheniere LNG Holdings.

Section 5.12 Establishment of Class B Units.

(a) *General.* The General Partner hereby designates and creates a class of senior subordinated Units to be designated as "Class B Units", consisting of (i) the CEI Class B Units, (ii) the Purchaser Class B Units, (iii) the CTPL Class B Units and (iv) any other Class B Units contemplated to be issued by the Basic Documents, and fixes the designations, preferences, participation, optional or other special rights, powers and duties of holders of the Class B Units as set forth in this Section 5.12. The Class B Units have the same rights and preferences, and are subject to the same duties and obligations as the Common Units, except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement.

(b) *Rights of Class B Units*. During the period commencing upon the CEI Class B Initial Funding Date and ending on an Actual Conversion Date:

(i) *Allocations*.

(A) Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1(d)(v), in no event shall a Unitholder holding Class B Units be allocated any Net Income or Net Losses pursuant to Section 6.1(a) or (b) in respect of their Class B Units.

(B) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 6.1(c), Unitholders holding Class B Units shall receive only those allocations set forth in (x) Section 5.5(d), (y) Section 5.12(b)(iv) and Section 6.1(d)(v).

(ii) *Quarterly Accruals.*

(A) Commencing on the CEI Class B Initial Funding Date, the Class B Conversion Value of each Class B Unit shall increase and compound quarterly (each, a "*Class B Quarterly Accrual*"), in an amount equal to the Class B Accrual Rate.

Accruals shall be made on the last day of each Quarter except as provided in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(B) (each such date, a "Class B Accrual Date").

(B) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.12(b)(ii) to the contrary, with respect to Class B Units that are converted into Common Units, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to both a Class B Quarterly Accrual and a Common Unit distribution with respect to such Unit for the same period, but shall be entitled only to the accrual or distribution to be paid based upon the class of Units held as of the close of business on the applicable Record Date. For the avoidance of doubt, if a Class B Conversion Notice Date occurs prior to the close of business on a Record Date for payment of a distribution on the Common Units, but after the respective Class B Accrual Date for such Quarter, the applicable holder of Class B Units shall not receive the Common Unit distribution with respect to such Units.

(iii) Issuance of Class B Units.

(A) On the CEI Issuance Date, the CEI Class B Units shall be issued to the CEI Holder pursuant to the terms and conditions of the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and the CTPL Class B Units shall be issued to the CEI Holder pursuant to the terms and conditions of the CEI Subscription Agreement. On the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date, the Purchaser Initial Class B Units shall be issued to the Purchaser in accordance with the Unit Purchase Agreement. The Remaining Units shall be issued to the Purchaser in accordance with the Unit Purchase Agreement.

(B) Upon each issuance of Class B Units, the General Partner may, in exchange for a proportionate number of General Partner Units to maintain its Percentage Interest as of such date, make an additional Capital Contribution in an amount equal to the product of (x) the quotient obtained by dividing (1) the Percentage Interest of the General Partner immediately prior to such issuance, by (2) a percentage equal to 100%, less such Percentage Interest and (y) the amount contributed to the Partnership by the holders of Class B Units in exchange for such issuance of Class B Units.

(iv) Liquidation Value. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event of any liquidation and winding up of the Partnership under Section 12.4 or a Significant Event, the holders of the Class B Units shall be entitled to receive, out of the assets of the Partnership available for distribution to the Partners or any Assignees, equal in right to the holders of Common Units and prior and in preference to any distribution of any assets of the Partnership to the holders of Subordinated Units, the positive value in each such holder's Capital Account in respect of such Class B Units, determined after allocating items of income, gain, loss and deduction for the current tax period (and if necessary, any prior period(s) with respect to which IRS Form 1065 are not yet due, excluding extensions, and not yet filed and for which Schedule K-1s have not been distributed to any Partners for such period(s)) so that, to the maximum extent possible, each such holder's Capital Account is equal to the amount that would be distributed to such holder if the amounts were distributed

as follows:

(A) First, to each Class B Unit, an amount equal to the Class B Non-Converted Liquidation Accrual through such date; and

(B) Second, to each Class B Unit and each Common Unit, pro rata, on a per unit basis (not taking into account the number of Common Units into which each Class B Unit could be converted) until the amount distributed to each such Unit equals the Class B Issue Price.

(C) Subject to Section 5.12(b)(iv)(D) and (E), no other allocation pursuant to this Agreement shall reverse the effect of the allocations set forth in Section 5.12(b)(iv)(A) through (B) such that the Capital Account in respect of any Class B Unit or Common Unit then Outstanding would be less than its Capital Account immediately after the application of Section 5.12(b)(iv) (A) through (B).

(D) Immediately after such allocations pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(iv)(A) through (B) have been made, Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss shall be allocated to the Partners and Assignees pursuant to Section 6.1(c). At the time of the dissolution of the Partnership, subject to Section 17-804 of the Delaware Act, the holders of the Class B Units shall become entitled to receive any distributions in the amount of their Capital Account balances and shall have the status of, and shall be entitled to all remedies available to, an unsecured creditor of the Partnership, and, except as provided in Section 5.12(b)(iv)(E), such entitlement of the holders of the Class B Units shall have priority over any entitlement of any other Partners or Assignees; *provided, however*, that the General Partner, as such, will have no liability for any obligations with respect to such distributions to any holder or holders of Class B Units.

(E) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the allocations set forth in Section 5.12(b)(iv)(A) through (D) above would result in the holders of Common Units not being entitled to receive, in the aggregate, an amount equal to 3% of the assets of the Partnership available for distribution to the Partners upon any dissolution and winding up of the Partnership under Section 12.4 (the "<u>Common Minimum Allocation</u>"), items of income, gain, loss and deduction shall be reallocated to cause the Capital Accounts of the Common Units to equal, in the aggregate, the Common Minimum Allocation.

(v) *Voting Rights*. Prior to the Actual Conversion Date, Class B Units shall have voting rights that are identical to the voting rights of the Common Units and shall vote with the Common Units as a single class, so that each holder of a Class B Unit will be entitled to one vote for each Common Unit into which such Class B Units are convertible as of the Record Date for such vote with respect to which each holder of a Common Unit is entitled to vote. Each reference in this Agreement to a vote of holders of Common Units shall be deemed to be a reference to the holders of Common Units and Class B Units on an "as if"

converted basis, except where the Common Units are entitled to vote as a separate class. The approval of holders of a majority of the Class B Units shall be required to approve any matter for which the holders of the Class B Units are entitled to vote as a separate class. Each holder of a Class B Unit will be entitled to the number of votes equal to the number of Common Units into which a Class B Unit is convertible at the time of the Record Date for the vote or written consent on the matter.

(vi) Conversion.

(A) *Mandatory*. The Class B Units shall automatically convert into the number of Common Units (as adjusted for splits and combinations) as is determined by dividing the Class B Conversion Value by the Class B Conversion Price without any further action by the holders thereof and without the approval of any Partner effective as of the first Business Day following the Record Date with respect to the Partnership's first distribution of Available Cash from Operating Surplus under Section 6.4(a) (the *"Mandatory Conversion Date"*), after the earlier of (i) the Train 3 Substantial Completion Date or (ii) the fifth anniversary of the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date; *provided, however*, if the Train 3 Notice to Proceed has been issued prior to the fifth anniversary of the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date, the Mandatory Conversion Date shall be the date of the Train 3 Substantial Completion Date.

(B) At the Option of a Class B Unitholder. Subject to the terms of this Section 5.12, the holders of the Class B Units shall have the right to convert all or a portion of the Class B Units then Outstanding into the number of Common Units as determined in the manner set forth in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(A) at any of the following times: (1) at any time subsequent to the date that is 83 months after the issuance of the EPC Notice to Proceed, (2) prior to the Record Date for a Quarter in which the Partnership has generated sufficient Available Cash from Operating Surplus to distribute the Initial Quarterly Distribution on all Outstanding Common Units and a number of Common Units to be issued upon conversion, which number shall be set forth in a notice to be delivered by the Partnership to the holders of the Class B Units promptly after the declaration of the distribution by the Board of Directors, and the number of Common Units to be received upon conversion pursuant to this Section 5.12(b)(vi)(B) shall not exceed the number of Common Units set forth in such notice, and if the holders of Class B Units elect to convert and common Units shall receive the distribution of Available Cash from Operating Surplus for the Quarter, (3) at any time following thirty (30) days prior to the Mandatory Conversion Date or (4) at any time within the 30-day period prior to a Significant Event or a dissolution under Section 12.2 ("Optional Conversion Date").

(C) The date(s) on which Class B Units actually convert into Common Units via mandatory or optional conversion is referred to herein as the "*Actual*"

Conversion Date". To convert Class B Units into Common Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)(B), the holder shall provide irrevocable written notice (a "Class B Conversion Notice") to the Partnership in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto stating therein that such holder elects to so convert Class B Units into Common Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)(B), identifying the Actual Conversion Date(s) expected to occur during the seven (7) days following such Class B Conversion Notice, and with respect to each such Actual Conversion Date: (1) the number of Class B Units to be converted, (2) the name or names in which such holder wishes the certificate or certificates for Common Units to be issued, (3) the holder's computation of the number of Conversion Price on the Class B Conversion Notice Date. The date of any Class B Conversion Notice shall hereinafter be referred to as a "Class B Conversion Notice Date." The Partnership shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide written notification to each holder of Class B Units at least forty five (45) days prior to an event described in Section 5.12(b)(vi)(B)(3) or (4).

(D) All Class B Units to be converted by a holder on the Actual Conversion Date shall be aggregated together in order to avoid multiple fractional Common Units. If such aggregate conversion results in the issuance of a fractional Common Unit but for the provisions of this Section 5.12(b)(vi)(D), at the discretion of the General Partner such fractional Common Unit shall be either be rounded to the next higher Unit or such equivalent amount paid in cash.

(E) Upon the issuance of Common Units upon a conversion pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi)(A) or (B) of Class B Units with respect to which the General Partner made a Capital Contribution pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(iii)(B) upon issuance, the General Partner shall be allocated Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss (or items thereof) as specified in Section 5.5(d) and the Partnership shall issue to the General Partner that number of additional General Partner Units equal to the product of (x) the quotient obtained by dividing (1) the Percentage Interest of the General Partner immediately prior to such issuance, by (2) a percentage equal to 100% less such Percentage Interest and (y) the excess over (1) the number of Common Units issued upon such conversion and (2) the number of Class B Units subject to such conversion. The General Partner shall not be obligated to make any additional Capital Contribution to the Partnership in exchange for such issuance.

(vii) *Preemptive Rights*.

(A) During the Investor Approval Period, other than upon (w) any issuances from the Partnership's equity incentive plans in effect from time to time, (x) the conversion of the Class B Units, (y) adjustments pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(ix) or (z) the issuance of (1) General Partner Units pursuant to Section 5.2(b), (2) Units pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement, (3) the CEI Class B Units and (4) the CTPL Class B Units, the Partnership shall not issue or transfer any Equity

Securities other than in compliance with this Section 5.12(b)(vii), Section 5.8 and Section 5.12(b)(ix). If at any time the Partnership wishes to issue or transfer to any Person any Equity Securities, the Partnership shall (1) promptly, but not later than ten (10) days prior to the planned date of any such issuance or transfer, deliver a notice of such proposed issuance or transfer to the Purchaser (the "*Equity Securities Notice*") and (2) promptly deliver a notice to the Purchaser of approval of such issuance or transfer by the Board of Directors. The Equity Securities Notice shall include (x) a description of the Equity Securities, (y) the identity of the proposed recipient(s) of the Equity Securities if such proposed recipient(s) have been identified and (z) a description of the consideration and material terms and conditions upon which the proposed issuance or transfer is being made (*provided*, that in no event shall such terms and conditions include matters that would violate the Purchaser's rights pursuant to this Section 5.12(b)(vii)), together with a copy of any written agreements relating thereto.

(B) Beginning on the Purchaser Class B Initial Funding Date, the Purchaser and the General Partner (in connection with the exercise of any rights of the General Partner pursuant to Section 5.8 (each an "*Electing Party*") shall have an option for a period of three (3) Business Days from the date that the Board of Directors approves the issuance of the Equity Securities, which shall be no sooner than 13 days from the Equity Securities Notice, to elect to purchase, at the same price and on the same material terms and conditions as described in the Equity Securities Notice, some or all of the offered Equity Securities in an amount up to the Electing Party's Preemptive Share, by delivering to the Partnership irrevocable written notice within such period setting forth the number of Equity Securities which the Purchaser and CEI wish to purchase and an undertaking to pay in full at closing the purchase price for such Equity Securities.

(C) If the General Partner does not exercise its right set forth in Section 5.8 and this Section 5.12(b)(vii) to purchase its Preemptive Share of the Equity Securities stated in the Equity Securities Notice, then the Purchaser shall have an option for a period of three (3) Business Days after the Purchaser's receipt of notice that the General Partner has not exercised all or any portion of such right to elect to purchase an additional amount of such Equity Securities up to the aggregate amount of offered Equity Securities not committed to be purchased by the General Partner. The Purchaser desiring to exercise its option set forth in this Section 5.12(b)(vii)(C) shall deliver irrevocable written notice to the Partnership within such three (3) Business Day period setting forth the number of Equity Securities which the Purchaser wishes to purchase and an undertaking to pay in full at closing the purchase price for such Equity Securities.

(D) The closing of the Equity Securities offered pursuant to the Equity Securities Notice shall occur concurrently with the closing of the offering contemplated in the Equity Securities Notice. The Purchaser shall pay the same amount per Equity Security that the Partnership would receive from the underwriters

(to the extent the Equity Securities are contemplated being sold pursuant to an underwritten sale) in connection with any exercise of its preemptive rights pursuant to Section 5.8 and this Section 5.12(b)(vii).

(E) Any Equity Securities for which the Purchaser or the General Partner, as applicable, has not elected to purchase following the expiration of the applicable period(s) set forth in Section 5.12(b)(vii)(C) and Section 5.12(b)(vii)(D) may be sold or transferred to the proposed recipient(s) on substantially the same terms and conditions set forth in the Equity Securities Notice at any time during the period ending ninety (90) days after termination of the later of such applicable period. Any Equity Securities that the Partnership desires to issue or transfer following such ninety (90) day period or not on substantially the same terms and conditions set forth in the Equity Securities Notice must be offered to the Purchaser and the General Partner and its Affiliates with a new Equity Securities Notice pursuant to the terms of this Section 5.12(b)(vii).

(viii) *Significant Event.* In any transaction constituting a Significant Event involving the Transfer of Partnership Interests, the proceeds of such Significant Event shall be shared among the Partners as such proceeds would be distributed pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi) and Section 12.4 as if the Significant Event was a sale of the Partnership's assets.

(ix) Adjustment of the Class B Conversion Value

(A) Class B Dilutive Issuance. If the Partnership shall make a Class B Dilutive Issuance prior to the Train 4 Substantial Completion Date, then the Class B Conversion Value for each Outstanding Class B Unit shall be increased at such time by an amount equal to the quotient of (A) the product of the number of Common Unit Equivalents issued in such Class B Dilutive Issuance (excluding the aggregate number of Common Unit Equivalents issued in connection with all prior Class B Dilutive Issuances for which an adjustment has been made pursuant to this Section 5.12(b)(ix)(A)), multiplied by (y) 0.447 multiplied by (z) the Class B Issue Price divided by (B) 145,333,333.33 (as adjusted for splits and combinations).

(B) *Train 1 - 4 Debt Adjustment*. In the event the Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt (including any indebtedness already incurred) for Trains 1, 2, 3 and 4 incurred prior to the Measurement Date exceed the applicable Class B Debt Lower Adjustment Factor, then the Class B Conversion Value of each Class B Unit shall be increased on the Measurement Date as follows:

(i) to the extent the Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt is less than or equal to the Class B Debt Upper Adjustment Factor, an amount equal to the Class B Issue Price multiplied by 205,000 for each basis point increase in Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt above the Class B Debt Lower Adjustment Factor, divided by 145,333,333.33 (as adjusted for splits and combinations); plus

(ii) to the extent the Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt exceeds the Class B Debt Upper Adjustment Factor, an amount equal to the Class B Issue Price multiplied by 610,000 for each basis point increase in Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt above the Class B Debt Upper Adjustment Factor, divided by 145,333,333.33 (as adjusted for splits and combinations).

Purchaser Class B Weighted Average Funding Period	Class B Debt Lower Adjustment Factor	Class B Debt Upper Adjustment Factor
Less than 270 days	6.25%	7.75%
270 days or more but less than 360 days	6.5%	8%
360 days or more but less than 450 days	6.75%	8.25%
450 days or more but less than 540 days	7%	8.5%
540 days or more	7.5%	9%

(C) Train 1 and Train 2 Debt Adjustment. In the event that both the Train 3 Condition and the Train 4 Condition have not been satisfied prior to the Measurement Date, the adjustments set forth in Section 5.12(b)(ix)(B) shall apply solely to the Weighted Average Interest Rate of Debt for Train 1 and Train 2, and the Class B Conversion Value of each Class B Unit shall, if applicable, be increased on the Measurement Date accordingly.

(D) All adjustments to the Class B Conversion Value set forth in this Section 5.12(b)(ix) shall be applied regardless of whether the applicable Class B Units have then been issued, such that when issued, the Class B Conversion Value for such Class B Units shall have received such increases in their Class B Conversion Value as of the earlier applicable dates.

(x) *Tax Information.* Within ten (10) days after the date of receipt of any written request from any holder of Class B Units stating the number of Class B Units owned by such holder (which requests shall be made by each holder no more than four (4) times per calendar year), the Partnership shall provide such holder with a good faith estimate (and reasonable supporting calculations utilizing reasonable assumptions) of whether there is sufficient Unrealized Gain attributable to the Partnership property such that, if such holder converted its Class B Units pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vi) and such Unrealized Gain was allocated to such holder pursuant to Section 5.5(d)(i), such holder's Capital Account in respect of its Converted Class B Units would be equal, on a per unit basis, to the Per Unit Capital Amount of a Common Unit. The good faith estimate provided by the Partnership may be based on the calculations prepared by the Partnership and/or its outside tax advisors in connection with the tax returns most recently filed by the Partnership (with adjustments to reflect any material changes in the trading price of the Partnership's Common Units or fair market value of the Partnership's Assets).

ARTICLE VI

ALLOCATIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Section 6.1 Allocations for Capital Account Purposes.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.12(b)(iv), for purposes of maintaining the Capital Accounts and in determining the rights of the Partners among themselves, the Partnership's items of income, gain, loss and deduction (computed in accordance with Section 5.5(b)) shall be allocated among the Partners in each taxable year (or portion thereof) as provided herein below.

(a) *Net Income.* After giving effect to the special allocations set forth in Section 6.1(d), Net Income for each taxable year and all items of income, gain, loss and deduction taken into account in computing Net Income for such taxable year shall be allocated among the Partners (other than holders of Class B Units) as follows:

(i) *First*, 100% to the General Partner, in an amount equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to the General Partner pursuant to Section 6.1(b)(iii) for all previous taxable years until the aggregate Net Income allocated to the General Partner pursuant to this Section 6.1(a)(i) for the current taxable year and all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to the General Partner pursuant to Section 6.1(b)(iii) for all previous taxable years;

(ii) Second, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders, in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until the aggregate Net Income allocated to such Partners pursuant to this Section 6.1(a)(ii) for the current taxable year and all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to such Partners pursuant to Section 6.1(b)(ii) for all previous taxable years; and

(iii) *Third*, the balance, if any, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders, in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests.

(b) *Net Losses*. After giving effect to the special allocations set forth in Section 6.1(d), Net Losses for each taxable period and all items of income, gain, loss and deduction taken into account in computing Net Losses for such taxable period shall be allocated among the Partners (other than holders of Class B Units) as follows:

(i) First, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders, in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until the aggregate Net Losses allocated pursuant to this Section 6.1(b)(i) for the current taxable year and all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Income allocated to such Partners pursuant to Section 6.1(a)(iii) for all previous taxable years, provided that the Net Losses shall not be allocated pursuant to this Section 6.1(b)(i) to the extent that such allocation would cause any Unitholder to have a deficit balance in its Adjusted Capital Account at the end of such taxable year (or increase any existing deficit balance in its Adjusted Capital Account);

(ii) Second, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders, in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests; provided, that Net Losses shall not be allocated pursuant to this Section 6.1(b)(ii) to the extent that such allocation would cause any Unitholder to have a deficit balance in its Adjusted Capital Account at the end of such taxable year (or increase any existing deficit balance in its Adjusted Capital Account); and

(iii) *Third*, the balance, if any, 100% to the General Partner.

(c) Net Termination Gains and Losses. After giving effect to the special allocations set forth in Section 6.1(d), all items of income, gain, loss and deduction taken into account in computing Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss for such taxable period shall be allocated in the same manner as such Net Termination Gain or Net Termination Loss is allocated hereunder. All allocations under this Section 6.1(c) shall be made after Capital Account balances have been adjusted by all other allocations provided under this Section 6.1 and after all distributions of Available Cash provided under Section 6.4 and Section 6.5 have been made; provided, however, that solely for purposes of this Section 6.1(c), Capital Accounts shall not be adjusted for distributions made pursuant to Section 12.4.

(i) If a Net Termination Gain is recognized (or deemed recognized pursuant to Section 5.5(d)), such Net Termination Gain shall be allocated among the Partners in the following manner (and the Capital Accounts of the Partners shall be increased by the amount so allocated in each of the following subclauses, in the order listed, before an allocation is made pursuant to the next succeeding subclause):

(A) *First*, to each Partner having a deficit balance in its Capital Account, in the proportion that such deficit balance bears to the total deficit balances in the Capital Accounts of all Partners, until each such Partner has been allocated Net Termination Gain equal to any such deficit balance in its Capital Account;

(B) Second, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) to all Unitholders holding Common Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until the Capital Account in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding is equal to the sum of (1) its Unrecovered Initial Unit Price, (2) the Initial Quarterly Distribution for the Quarter during which the Liquidation Date occurs, reduced by any distribution pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(i) or (b)(i) with respect to such Common Unit for such Quarter (the amount determined pursuant to this clause (2) is hereinafter defined as the "Unpaid IQD") and (3) any then existing Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage;

(C) *Third*, if such Net Termination Gain is recognized (or is deemed to be recognized) prior to the conversion of the last Outstanding Subordinated Unit, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) all Unitholders holding Subordinated Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until the Capital Account in respect of each Subordinated Unit then Outstanding equals the sum of (1) its Unrecovered Initial Unit Price, determined for the taxable year (or portion thereof) to which this

allocation of gain relates, and (2) the Initial Quarterly Distribution for the Quarter during which the Liquidation Date occurs, reduced by any distribution pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(iii) with respect to such Subordinated Unit for such Quarter;

(D) Fourth, 100% to the General Partner and all Unitholders in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until the Capital Account in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding is equal to the sum of (1) its Unrecovered Initial Unit Price, (2) the Unpaid IQD, (3) any then existing Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage, and (4) the excess of (aa) the First Target Distribution less the Initial Quarterly Distribution for each Quarter of the Partnership's existence over (bb) the cumulative per Unit amount of any distributions of Available Cash that is deemed to be Operating Surplus made pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(iv) and Section 6.4(b)(ii) (the sum of (1), (2), (3) and (4) is hereinafter defined as the "First Liquidation Target Amount");

(E) *Fifth*, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest, (y) 13% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata, and (z) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclause (x) and (y) of this clause (E), until the Capital Account in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding is equal to the sum of (1) the First Liquidation Target Amount, and (2) the excess of (aa) the Second Target Distribution less the First Target Distribution for each Quarter of the Partnership's existence over (bb) the cumulative per Unit amount of any distributions of Available Cash that is deemed to be Operating Surplus made pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(v) and Section 6.4(b)(iii) (the sum of (1) and (2) is hereinafter defined as the "Second Liquidation Target Amount");

(F) Sixth, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest, (y) 23% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata, and (z) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclause (x) and (y) of this clause (F), until the Capital Account in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding is equal to the sum of (1) the Second Liquidation Target Amount, and (2) the excess of (aa) the Third Target Distribution less the Second Target Distribution for each Quarter of the Partnership's existence over (bb) the cumulative per Unit amount of any distributions of Available Cash that is deemed to be Operating Surplus made pursuant to Section 6.4(a)(vi) and Section 6.4(b)(iv) (the sum of (1) and (2) is hereinafter defined as the "*Third Liquidation Target Amount*"); and

(G) *Finally*, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest, (y) 48% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata, and (z) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclause (x) and (y) of this clause (G).

(ii) If a Net Termination Loss is recognized (or deemed recognized pursuant to Section 5.5(d)), such Net Termination Loss shall be allocated among the Partners in the following manner:

(A) *First*, if such Net Termination Loss is recognized (or is deemed to be recognized) prior to the conversion of the last Outstanding Subordinated Unit, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) to all Unitholders holding Subordinated Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until the Capital Account in respect of each Subordinated Unit then Outstanding has been reduced to zero;

(B) Second, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) to all Unitholders holding Common Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until the Capital Account in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding has been reduced to zero; and

(C) *Finally*, the balance, if any, 100% to the General Partner.

(d) *Special Allocations*. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.1, the following special allocations shall be made for such taxable period:

(i) Partnership Minimum Gain Chargeback. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.1, if there is a net decrease in Partnership Minimum Gain during any Partnership taxable period, each Partner shall be allocated items of Partnership income and gain for such period (and, if necessary, subsequent periods) in the manner and amounts provided in Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-2(f)(6), 1.704-2(g)(2) and 1.704-2(j)(2)(i), or any successor provision. For purposes of this Section 6.1(d), each Partner's Adjusted Capital Account balance shall be determined, and the allocation of income or gain required hereunder shall be effected, prior to the application of any other allocations pursuant to this Section 6.1(d) with respect to such taxable period (other than an allocation pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(vi) and Section 6.1(d)(vii)). This Section 6.1(d)(i) is intended to comply with the Partnership Minimum Gain chargeback requirement in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(f) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith.

(ii) Chargeback of Partner Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section 6.1 (other than Section 6.1(d)(i)), except as provided in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i)(4), if there is a net decrease in Partner Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain during any Partnership taxable period, any Partner with a share of Partner Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain at the beginning of such taxable period shall be allocated items of Partnership income and gain for such period (and, if necessary, subsequent periods) in the manner and amounts provided in Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-2(i)(4) and 1.704-2(j)(2)(i), or any successor provisions. For purposes of this Section 6.1(d), each Partner's Adjusted Capital Account balance shall be determined, and the allocation of income or gain required hereunder shall be effected, prior to the application of any other allocations pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(i) and other than an allocation

pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(vi) and Section 6.1(d)(vii), with respect to such taxable period. This Section 6.1(d)(ii) is intended to comply with the chargeback of items of income and gain requirement in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i)(4) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith.

(iii) *Priority Allocations*.

(A) At any time following the Distribution Reserve Period Termination Date, if the amount of cash or the Net Agreed Value of any property distributed (except cash or property distributed pursuant to Section 12.4) to any Unitholder with respect to its Units (other than to holders of Class B Units with respect to the Class B Units) for a taxable year is greater (on a per Unit basis) than the amount of cash or the Net Agreed Value of property distributed to the other Unitholders (other than the class of Unitholders holding Class B Units) with respect to their Units (on a per Unit basis), then (1) each Unitholder receiving such greater cash or property distribution shall be allocated gross income in an amount equal to the product of (aa) the amount by which the distribution (on a per Unit basis) to such Unitholder exceeds the distribution (on a per Unit basis) to the Unitholder exceeds the distribution (on a per Unit basis) to the Unitholder of Units owned by the Unitholder receiving the greater distribution; and (2) the General Partner shall be allocated gross income in an aggregate amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying (aa) the quotient determined by dividing (x) the General Partner's Percentage Interest at the time in which the greater cash or property distribution occurs times (bb) the sum of the amounts allocated in clause (1) above.

(B) After the application of Section 6.1(d)(iii)(A), all or any portion of the remaining items of Partnership gross income or gain for the taxable period, if any, shall be allocated (1) to the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata, until the aggregate amount of such items allocated to the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights pursuant to this paragraph Section 6.1(d)(iii)(B) for the current taxable year and all previous taxable years is equal to the cumulative amount of all Incentive Distributions made to the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights from the Closing Date to a date 60 days after the end of the current taxable year; and (2) to the General Partner an amount equal to the product of (aa) an amount equal to the quotient determined by dividing (x) the General Partner's Percentage Interest by (y) the sum of 100 less the General Partner's Percentage Interest times (bb) the sum of the amounts allocated in clause (1) above.

(iv) Qualified Income Offset. In the event any Partner unexpectedly receives any adjustments, allocations or distributions described in Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(5), or 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(6), items of Partnership income and gain shall be specially allocated to such Partner in an amount and manner sufficient to eliminate, to the extent required by the Treasury Regulations promulgated under Section 704(b) of the Code, the deficit balance, if any, in its Adjusted Capital Account created by such

adjustments, allocations or distributions as quickly as possible unless such deficit balance is otherwise eliminated pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(i).

(v) Capital Account Deficits. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 6.1(d)(v), the General Partner shall not be allocated its portion of any item of Net Losses to the extent that such allocation would cause or increase a deficit balance in the General Partner's Adjusted Capital Account. Any item of Net Losses or portion thereof which, but for the limitation in the first sentence of this Section 6.1(d)(v), would be allocated to the General Partner, shall be allocated Pro Rata to each holder of Class B Units having a positive balance in its Adjusted Capital Account, to the extent of such positive balance, provided that if the Adjusted Capital Accounts of all holders of Class B Units have been reduced to zero, any remaining Net Loss shall be allocated to the General Partner. If Net Losses have been allocated to any holder of Class B Units pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(v) for any taxable year, then Net Income for each subsequent taxable year and all items of income, gain, loss and deduction taken into account in computing Net Income for such taxable year shall be allocated to such holder of Class B Units and before any allocations of Net Income pursuant to Section 6.1(a)(v) for all previous taxable years until the aggregate Net Income allocated to such holder pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(v) for all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to such holder pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(v) for all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to such holder pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(v) for all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to such holder pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(v) for all previous taxable years is equal to the aggregate Net Losses allocated to such holder pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(v) for all previous taxable years.

(vi) Gross Income Allocations. In the event any Partner has a deficit balance in its Capital Account at the end of any Partnership taxable period in excess of the sum of (A) the amount such Partner is required to restore pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement and (B) the amount such Partner is deemed obligated to restore pursuant to Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-2(g) and 1.704-2(i)(5), such Partner shall be specially allocated items of Partnership gross income and gain in the amount of such excess as quickly as possible; provided, that an allocation pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(vi) shall be made only if and to the extent that such Partner would have a deficit balance in its Capital Account as adjusted after all other allocations provided for in this Section 6.1(d)(vi) were not in this Agreement.

(vii) *Nonrecourse Deductions*. Nonrecourse Deductions for any taxable period shall be allocated to the Partners in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests. If the General Partner determines that the Partnership's Nonrecourse Deductions should be allocated in a different ratio to satisfy the safe harbor requirements of the Treasury Regulations promulgated under Section 704(b) of the Code, the General Partner is authorized, upon notice to the other Partners, to revise the prescribed ratio to the numerically closest ratio that does satisfy such requirements.

(viii) *Partner Nonrecourse Deductions*. Partner Nonrecourse Deductions for any taxable period shall be allocated 100% to the Partner that bears the Economic Risk of Loss with respect to the Partner Nonrecourse Debt to which such Partner Nonrecourse Deductions are attributable in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(i). If more than one

Partner bears the Economic Risk of Loss with respect to a Partner Nonrecourse Debt, such Partner Nonrecourse Deductions attributable thereto shall be allocated between or among such Partners in accordance with the ratios in which they share such Economic Risk of Loss.

(ix) *Nonrecourse Liabilities*. For purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.752-3(a)(3), the Partners agree that Nonrecourse Liabilities of the Partnership in excess of the sum of (A) the amount of Partnership Minimum Gain and (B) the total amount of Nonrecourse Built-in Gain shall be allocated among the Partners in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests.

(x) Code Section 754 Adjustments. To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted tax basis of any Partnership asset pursuant to Section 734(b) or 743(b) of the Code is required, pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts, the amount of such adjustment to the Capital Accounts shall be treated as an item of gain (if the adjustment increases the basis of the asset) or loss (if the adjustment decreases such basis), and such item of gain or loss shall be specially allocated to the Partners in a manner consistent with the manner in which their Capital Accounts are required to be adjusted pursuant to such Section of the Treasury Regulations.

(xi) Economic Uniformity. At the election of the General Partner with respect to any taxable period ending upon, or after, the termination of the Subordination Period, all or a portion of the remaining items of Partnership gross income, gain, deduction or loss for such taxable period, after taking into account allocations pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(iii), shall be allocated 100% to each Partner with respect to such Partner's Subordinated Units that are Outstanding as of the termination of the Subordination Period ("*Final Subordinated Units*") or Common Units, as the case may be, in the proportion that the respective number of Common Units or Final Subordinated Units whet are allocated the amount of gross income, gain, deduction or loss with respect to such Partner's Common Units or Final Subordinated Units that causes the Capital Account maintained with respect to such Final Subordinated Units to equal an amount equal to the product of (A) the number of Final Subordinated Units held by such Partner and (B) the Per Unit Capital Amount for a Common Unit. The purpose of this allocation is to establish uniformity between the Capital Accounts underlying Final Subordinated Units and the Capital Accounts of such Final Subordinated Units and the Capital Accounts underlying Common Units after giving effect to any allocations to holders of Common Units pursuant to the section 6.1(d)(xi). This allocation method for establishing such economic uniformity will be available to the General Partner only if the method for allocating the Capital Account maintained with respect to the Subordinated Units between the transferred and retained Subordinated Units pursuant to Section 5.5(c)(ii) does not otherwise provide such economic uniformity to the Final Subordinated Units.

(xii) *Curative Allocation*.

(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.1, other than the Required Allocations, the Required Allocations shall be taken into account in making the Agreed Allocations so that, to the extent possible, the net amount of items of income, gain, loss and deduction allocated to each Partner pursuant to the Required Allocations and the Agreed Allocations, together, shall be equal to the net amount of such items that would have been allocated to each such Partner under the Agreed Allocations had the Required Allocations and the related Curative Allocation not otherwise been provided in this Section 6.1. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, Required Allocations relating to (1) Nonrecourse Deductions shall not be taken into account except to the extent that there has been a decrease in Partnership Minimum Gain and (2) Partner Nonrecourse Deductions shall not be taken into account except to the extent that there has been a decrease in Partner Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain. Allocations pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(xii)(A) shall only be made with respect to Required Allocations to the extent the General Partner determines that such allocations will otherwise be inconsistent with the economic agreement among the Partners. Further, allocations pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(xii)(A) shall be deferred with respect to allocations pursuant to clauses (1) and (2) hereof to the extent the General Partner determines that such allocations are likely to be offset by subsequent Required Allocations.

(B) The General Partner shall, with respect to each taxable period, (1) apply the provisions of Section 6.1(d)(xii)(A) in whatever order is most likely to minimize the economic distortions that might otherwise result from the Required Allocations, and (2) divide all allocations pursuant to Section 6.1(d)(xii)(A) among the Partners in a manner that is likely to minimize such economic distortions.

(xiii) *Corrective Allocations*. In the event of any allocation of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items or any Book-Down Event or any recognition of a Net Termination Loss, the following rules shall apply:

(A) In the case of any allocation of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items (other than an allocation of Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss under Section 5.5(d) hereof), the General Partner shall allocate additional items of gross income and gain away from the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights to the Unitholders and the General Partner, or additional items of deduction and loss away from the Unitholders and the General Partner to the holders of Incentive Distribution Rights, to the extent that the Additional Book Basis Derivative Items allocated to the Unitholders and the General Partner exceed their Share of Additional Book Basis Derivative Items. For this purpose, the Unitholders and the General Partner shall be treated as being allocated Additional Book Basis Derivative Items to the extent that such Additional Book Basis Derivative Items have been allocated to the Unitholders or the General Partner under the Partnership Agreement (*e.g.*, Additional Book Basis Derivative Items taken into account in computing cost of goods sold would reduce the amount of book income otherwise available for allocation among the Partners). Any allocation made

pursuant to this Section 6.1(d)(xiii)(A) shall be made after all of the other Agreed Allocations have been made as if this Section 6.1(d)(xiii)(A) were not in this Agreement and, to the extent necessary, shall require the reallocation of items that have been allocated pursuant to such other Agreed Allocations.

(B) In the case of any negative adjustments to the Capital Accounts of the Partners resulting from a Book-Down Event or from the recognition of a Net Termination Loss, such negative adjustment (1) shall first be allocated, to the extent of the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments, in such a manner, as determined by the General Partner, that to the extent possible the aggregate Capital Accounts of the Partners will equal the amount that would have been the Capital Account balance of the Partners if no prior Book-Up Events had occurred, and (2) any negative adjustment in excess of the Aggregate Remaining Net Positive Adjustments shall be allocated pursuant to Section 6.1(c) hereof.

(C) In making the allocations required under this Section 6.1(d)(xiii), the General Partner may apply whatever conventions or other methodology it determines will satisfy the purpose of this Section 6.1(d)(xiii).

Section 6.2 Allocations for Tax Purposes.

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein, for federal income tax purposes, each item of income, gain, loss and deduction shall be allocated among the Partners in the same manner as its correlative item of "book" income, gain, loss or deduction is allocated pursuant to Section 6.1.

(b) In an attempt to eliminate Book-Tax Disparities attributable to a Contributed Property or Adjusted Property, items of income, gain, loss, depreciation, amortization and cost recovery deductions shall be allocated for federal income tax purposes among the Partners as follows:

(i) (A) In the case of a Contributed Property, such items attributable thereto shall be allocated among the Partners in the manner provided under Section 704(c) of the Code that takes into account the variation between the Agreed Value of such property and its adjusted basis at the time of contribution; and (B) any item of Residual Gain or Residual Loss attributable to a Contributed Property shall be allocated among the Partners in the same manner as its correlative item of "book" gain or loss is allocated pursuant to Section 6.1.

(ii) (A) In the case of an Adjusted Property, such items shall (1) *first*, be allocated among the Partners in a manner consistent with the principles of Section 704(c) of the Code to take into account the Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss attributable to such property and the allocations thereof pursuant to Section 5.5(d)(i) or Section 5.5(d)(i), and (2) *second*, in the event such property was originally a Contributed Property, be allocated among the Partners in a manner consistent with Section 6.2(b)(i)(A); and (B) any item of Residual Gain or Residual Loss attributable to an Adjusted Property shall be allocated among the Partners in the same manner as its correlative item of "book" gain or loss is allocated pursuant to Section 6.1.

(iii) The General Partner shall apply the principles of Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-3(d) to eliminate Book-Tax Disparities, except as otherwise determined by the General Partner with respect to goodwill, if any.

(c) For the proper administration of the Partnership and for the preservation of uniformity of the Limited Partner Interests (or any class or classes thereof), the General Partner shall (i) adopt such conventions as it deems appropriate in determining the amount of depreciation, amortization and cost recovery deductions; (ii) make special allocations for federal income tax purposes of income (including gross income) or deductions; and (iii) amend the provisions of this Agreement as appropriate (x) to reflect the proposal or promulgation of Treasury Regulations under Section 704(b) or Section 704(c) of the Code or (y) otherwise to preserve or achieve uniformity of the Limited Partner Interests (or any class or classes thereof). The General Partner may adopt such conventions, make such allocations and make such amendments to this Agreement as provided in this Section 6.2(c) only if such conventions, allocations or amendments would not have a material adverse effect on the Partners, the holders of any class or classes of Limited Partner Interests issued and Outstanding or the Partnership, and if such allocations are consistent with the principles of Section 704 of the Code.

(d) The General Partner may determine to depreciate or amortize the portion of an adjustment under Section 743(b) of the Code attributable to unrealized appreciation in any Adjusted Property (to the extent of the unamortized Book-Tax Disparity) using a predetermined rate derived from the depreciation or amortization method and useful life applied to the Partnership's common basis of such property, despite any inconsistency of such approach with Treasury Regulation Section 1.167(c)-l(a)(6) or any successor regulations thereto. If the General Partner determines that such reporting position cannot reasonably be taken, the General Partner may adopt depreciation and amortization deductions, based upon the same applicable rate as if they had purchased a direct interest in the Partnership's property. If the General Partner chooses not to utilize such aggregate method, the General Partner may use any other depreciation and amortization stop reserve the uniformity of the intrinsic tax characteristics of any Limited Partner Interests, so long as such conventions would not have a material adverse effect on the Limited Partners or the Record Holders of any class or classes of Limited Partner Interests.

(e) Any gain allocated to the Partners upon the sale or other taxable disposition of any Partnership asset shall, to the extent possible, after taking into account other required allocations of gain pursuant to this Section 6.2, be characterized as Recapture Income in the same proportions and to the same extent as such Partners (or their predecessors in interest) have been allocated any deductions directly or indirectly giving rise to the treatment of such gains as Recapture Income.

(f) All items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit recognized by the Partnership for federal income tax purposes and allocated to the Partners in accordance with the provisions hereof shall be determined without regard to any election under Section 754 of the Code that may be made by the Partnership; *provided, however*, that such allocations, once made, shall be

adjusted (in the manner determined by the General Partner) to take into account those adjustments permitted or required by Sections 734 and 743 of the Code.

(g) If Capital Account balances are reallocated between the Partners in accordance with Section 5.5(d)(i) hereof and Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s)(4), beginning with the year of reallocation and continuing until the allocations required are fully taken into account, the Partnership shall make corrective allocations (allocations of items of gross income or gain or loss or deduction for federal income tax purposes that do not have a corresponding book allocation) to take into account the Capital Account reallocation, as provided in Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(4)(x).

(h) Each item of Partnership income, gain, loss and deduction shall for federal income tax purposes be determined on an annual basis and prorated on a monthly basis and shall be allocated to the Partners as of the opening of the American Stock Exchange or such other National Securities Exchange on which the Common Units may then be listed or admitted for trading on the first Business Day of each month; *provided, however*, that gain or loss on a sale or other disposition of any assets of the Partnership or any other extraordinary item of income or loss realized and recognized other than in the ordinary course of business, as determined by the General Partner, shall be allocated to the Partners as of the opening of the American Stock Exchange or such other National Securities Exchange on which the Common Units may then be listed or admitted for trading on the first Business Day of each month; *provided, however*, that gain or loss on a sale or other disposition of any assets of the Partnership or any other extraordinary item of income or loss realized and recognized other than in the ordinary course of business, as determined by the General Partner, shall be allocated to the Partners as of the opening of the American Stock Exchange or such other National Securities Exchange on which the Common Units may then be listed or admitted for trading on the first Business Day of the month in which such gain or loss is recognized for federal income tax purposes. The General Partner may revise, alter or otherwise modify such methods of allocation to the extent permitted or required by Section 706 of the Code and the regulations or rulings promulgated thereunder.

(i) Allocations that would otherwise be made to a Limited Partner under the provisions of this Article VI shall instead be made to the beneficial owner of Limited Partner Interests held by a nominee in any case in which the nominee has furnished the identity of such owner to the Partnership in accordance with Section 6031(c) of the Code or any other method determined by the General Partner.

Section 6.3 Requirement and Characterization of Cash Distributions; Cash Distributions to Record Holders.

(a) Within 45 days following the end of each Quarter commencing with the Quarter ending on March 31, 2007, an amount equal to 100% of Available Cash with respect to such Quarter shall, subject to the Delaware Act, be distributed in accordance with this Article VI by the Partnership to the Partners as of the Record Date selected by the General Partner. All amounts of Available Cash distributed by the Partnership on any date from any source shall be deemed to be Operating Surplus until the sum of all amounts of Available Cash theretofore distributed by the Partnership to the Partners pursuant to Section 6.4 equals the Operating Surplus from the Closing Date through the close of the immediately preceding Quarter. Any remaining amounts of Available Cash distributed on such date by the Partnership after giving effect to the two preceding sentences shall, except as otherwise provided in Section 6.5, be deemed to be "*Capital Surplus*." Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Partnership shall not make a distribution to any Partner on account of its

interest in the Partnership if such distribution would violate the Delaware Act or any other applicable law.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 6.3(a), in the event of the dissolution and liquidation of the Partnership, all receipts received during or after the Quarter in which the Liquidation Date occurs, other than from borrowings determined to be Available Cash in accordance with (a)(ii) of the definition of Available Cash, shall be applied and distributed solely in accordance with, and subject to the terms and conditions of, Section 12.4.

(c) The General Partner may treat taxes paid by the Partnership on behalf of, or amounts withheld with respect to, all or less than all of the Partners, as a distribution of Available Cash to such Partners.

(d) Each distribution in respect of a Partnership Interest shall be paid by the Partnership, directly or through the Transfer Agent or through any other Person or agent, only to the Record Holder of such Partnership Interest as of the Record Date set for such distribution. Such payment shall constitute full payment and satisfaction of the Partnership's liability in respect of such payment, regardless of any claim of any Person who may have an interest in such payment by reason of an assignment or otherwise.

Section 6.4 Distributions of Available Cash from Operating Surplus.

(a) *During Subordination Period*. Available Cash with respect to any Quarter within the Subordination Period that is deemed to be Operating Surplus pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.3 or Section 6.5 shall, subject to the Delaware Act, be distributed as follows, except as otherwise required by Section 5.6 in respect of other Partnership Securities issued pursuant thereto:

(i) *First*, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) to the Unitholders holding Common Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until there has been distributed in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the Initial Quarterly Distribution for such Quarter;

(ii) Second, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) to the Unitholders holding Common Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until there has been distributed in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage existing with respect to such Quarter;

(iii) *Third*, (x) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (y) to the Unitholders holding Subordinated Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until there has been distributed in respect of each Subordinated Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the Initial Quarterly Distribution for such Quarter;

(iv) *Fourth*, to the General Partner and all Unitholders, in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the excess of the First Target Distribution over the Initial Quarterly Distribution for such Quarter;

(v) Fifth, (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest; (B) 13% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata; and (C) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to sub-clauses (A) and (B) of this clause (v) until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the excess of the Second Target Distribution over the First Target Distribution for such Quarter;

(vi) Sixth, (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest, (B) 23% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata; and (C) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclauses (A) and (B) of this subclause (vi), until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the excess of the Third Target Distribution over the Second Target Distribution for such Quarter; and

(vii) *Thereafter*, (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest; (B) 48% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata; and (C) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclauses (A) and (B) of this clause (vii);

provided, however, if the Initial Quarterly Distribution, the First Target Distribution, the Second Target Distribution and the Third Target Distribution have been reduced to zero pursuant to the second sentence of Section 6.6(a), the distribution of Available Cash that is deemed to be Operating Surplus with respect to any Quarter will be made solely in accordance with Section 6.4(a)(vii).

(b) *After Subordination Period*. Available Cash with respect to any Quarter after the Subordination Period that is deemed to be Operating Surplus pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.3 or Section 6.5, subject to the Delaware Act, shall be distributed as follows, except as otherwise required by Section 5.6(b) in respect of additional Partnership Securities issued pursuant thereto:

(i) *First*, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the Initial Quarterly Distribution for such Quarter;

(ii) Second, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the excess of the First Target Distribution over the Initial Quarterly Distribution for such Quarter;

(iii) *Third*, (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest; (B) 13% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata; and (C) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclauses (A) and (B) of this clause (iii), until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the excess of the Second Target Distribution over the First Target Distribution for such Quarter;

(iv) *Fourth*, (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest; (B) 23% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata; and (C) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclauses (A) and (B) of this clause (iv), until there has been distributed in respect of each Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the excess of the Third Target Distribution over the Second Target Distribution for such Quarter; and

(v) *Thereafter*, (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest; (B) 48% to the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights, Pro Rata; and (C) to all Unitholders, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the sum of the percentages applicable to subclauses (A) and (B) of this clause (v);

provided, however, if the Initial Quarterly Distribution, the First Target Distribution, the Second Target Distribution and the Third Target Distribution have been reduced to zero pursuant to the second sentence of Section 6.6(a), the distribution of Available Cash that is deemed to be Operating Surplus with respect to any Quarter will be made solely in accordance with Section 6.4(b)(v).

Section 6.5 Distributions of Available Cash from Capital Surplus.

Available Cash that is deemed to be Capital Surplus pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.3(a) shall, subject to the Delaware Act, be distributed, unless the provisions of Section 6.3 require otherwise, 100% to the General Partner and the Unitholders in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, until a hypothetical holder of a Common Unit acquired in the Initial Public Offering has received with respect to such Common Unit during the period since the Closing Date through such date, distributions of Available Cash that are deemed to be Capital Surplus in an aggregate amount equal to the Initial Unit Price of such Common Unit. Available Cash that is deemed to be Capital Surplus shall then be distributed (A) to the General Partner in accordance with its Percentage Interest and (B) to all Unitholders holding Common Units, Pro Rata, a percentage equal to 100% less the General Partner's Percentage Interest, until there has been distributed in respect of each Common Unit then Outstanding an amount equal to the Cumulative Common Unit Arrearage. Thereafter, all Available Cash shall be distributed as if it were Operating Surplus and shall be distributed in accordance with Section 6.4.

Section 6.6 Adjustment of Initial Quarterly Distribution and Target Distribution Levels.

(a) The Initial Quarterly Distribution, First Target Distribution, Second Target Distribution, Third Target Distribution, Common Unit Arrearages and Cumulative Common Unit Arrearages shall be proportionately adjusted in the event of any distribution, combination or subdivision (whether effected by a distribution payable in Units or otherwise) of Units or



other Partnership Securities in accordance with Section 5.9. In the event of a distribution of Available Cash that is deemed to be from Capital Surplus, the then applicable Initial Quarterly Distribution, First Target Distribution, Second Target Distribution and Third Target Distribution, shall be adjusted proportionately downward to equal the product obtained by multiplying the otherwise applicable Initial Quarterly Distribution, Second Target Distribution, as the case may be, by a fraction of which the numerator is the Unrecovered Initial Unit Price of the Common Units immediately after giving effect to such distribution.

(b) The Initial Quarterly Distribution, First Target Distribution, Second Target Distribution and Third Target Distribution, shall also be subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 6.9.

Section 6.7 Special Provisions Relating to the Holders of Subordinated Units.

(a) Except with respect to the right to vote on or approve matters requiring the vote or approval of a percentage of the holders of Outstanding Common Units and the right to participate in allocations of income, gain, loss and deduction and distributions made with respect to Common Units, the holder of a Subordinated Unit shall have all of the rights and obligations of a Unitholder holding Common Units hereunder; *provided*, *however*, that immediately upon the conversion of Subordinated Units into Common Units pursuant to Section 5.7, the Unitholder holding a Subordinated Unit shall possess all of the rights and obligations of a Unitholder holding Common Units hereunder, including the right to vote as a Common Unitholder and the right to participate in allocations of income, gain, loss and deduction and distributions made with respect to Common Units; *provided*, *however*, that such converted Subordinated Units shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 5.5(c)(ii), Section 6.1(d)(xi) and Section 6.7(c).

(b) A Unitholder shall not be permitted to transfer a Subordinated Unit or a Subordinated Unit that has-converted into a Common Unit pursuant to Section 5.7 (other than a transfer to an Affiliate) if the remaining balance in the transferring Unitholder's Capital Account with respect to the retained Subordinated Units or Retained Converted Subordinated Units would be negative after giving effect to the allocation under Section 5.5(c)(ii)(B).

(c) A Unitholder holding a Subordinated Unit that has-converted into a Common Unit pursuant to Section 5.7 shall not be issued a Common Unit Certificate pursuant to Section 4.1, and shall not be permitted to transfer its converted Subordinated Units to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the holder until such time as the General Partner determines, based on advice of counsel, that a converted Subordinated Unit should have, as a substantive matter, like intrinsic economic and federal income tax characteristics, in all material respects, to the intrinsic economic and federal income tax characteristics of an Initial Common Unit. In connection with the condition imposed by this Section 6.7(c), the General Partner may take whatever steps are required to provide economic uniformity to the converted Subordinated Units in preparation for a transfer of such converted Subordinated Units, including the application of Section 5.5(c)(ii), Section 6.1(d)(xi) and Section 6.7(b), *provided, however*, that no such steps may be taken

that would have a material adverse effect on the Unitholders holding Common Units represented by Common Unit Certificates (for this purpose the allocation of income, gain, loss or deduction with respect to Subordinated Units or Common Units will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Unitholders holding Common Units).

Section 6.8 Special Provisions Relating to the Holders of Incentive Distribution Rights.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights (a) shall (i) possess the rights and obligations provided in this Agreement with respect to a Limited Partner pursuant to Article III and Article VII and (ii) have a Capital Account as a Partner pursuant to Section 5.5 and all other provisions related thereto and (b) shall not (i) be entitled to vote on any matters requiring the approval or vote of the holders of Outstanding Units, except as provided by law, (ii) be entitled to any distributions other than as provided in Section 6.4(a)(v), Section 6.4(a)(v), and Section 6.4(a)(vi), Section 6.4(b)(iii), (iv) and (v), and Section 12.4 or (iii) be allocated items of income, gain, loss or deduction other than as specified in this Article VI. In addition to the foregoing, if any distribution from Operating Surplus is made pursuant to Section 6.4 as a result of the refinancing of the Partnership's indebtedness for borrowed money, the holders of the Incentive Distribution Rights shall not be entitled to any distributions under Section 6.4 with respect thereto.

Section 6.9 Special Provisions Relating to the Holders of Class B Units.

(a) Subject to the transfer restrictions in Section 4.8, a Unitholder holding a Class B Unit shall be required to provide notice to the General Partner of the transfer of the Class B Unit at any time during the earlier of (i) thirty (30) days following such transfer and (ii) the last Business Day of the calendar year during which such transfer occurred, unless the transfer is to an Affiliate of the holder. Subject to the transfer restrictions in Section 4.8, a Unitholder holding a Converted Class B Unit shall be required to provide notice to the General Partner of the transfer of the Converted Class B Unit at any time during the earlier of (i) thirty (30) days following such transfer and (ii) the last Business Day of the calendar year during which such transfer occurred, unless (x) the transfer is to an Affiliate of the holder or (y) by virtue of the application of Section 5.5(d)(i), the General Partner has previously determined, based on advice of counsel, that the Converted Class B Unit is should have, as a substantive matter, like intrinsic economic and federal income tax characteristics of an Initial Common Unit. In connection with the condition imposed by this Section 6.9, the General Partner shall take whatever steps are required to provide economic uniformity to the Converted Class B Unit in preparation for a transfer of such Units; *provided, however*, that no such steps may be taken that would have a material adverse effect on the Unitholders holding Common Units; provided payments or reallocation of Capital Account balances among the Partners in accordance with Section 5.5(d)(i) hereof and Proposed Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s)(4) with respect to Class B Units or Common Units will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Unitholders holding Common Units).

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, the holders of the Class B Units (i) shall (A) possess the rights and obligations provided in this Agreement with respect to a Limited Partner pursuant to Article III and Article VII and (B) in accordance with Section 5.5(a), Section 5.5(d)(i) and Section 5.12, have a Capital Account as a Partner pursuant to Section 5.5 and all other provisions related thereto and (C) be entitled to vote on any matters requiring the approval or vote of the holders of Outstanding Units as provided in Section 5.12 and (ii) shall not (A) be entitled to any distributions other than as provided in Section 5.12 or (B) be allocated items of income, gain, loss or deduction other than as specified in Sections 5.12 or 6.1(d)(v).

Section 6.10 Entity-Level

Taxation.

If legislation is enacted or the interpretation of existing language is modified by a court of competent jurisdiction so that a Group Member is treated as an association taxable as a corporation or is otherwise subject to an entity-level tax for federal, state or local income tax purposes, then the General Partner may reduce the Initial Quarterly Distribution, the First Target Distribution, the Second Target Distribution and the Third Target Distribution by the amount of income taxes that are payable by reason of any such new legislation or interpretation (the "Incremental Income Taxes"), or any portion thereof selected by the General Partner, in the manner provided in this Section 6.10. If the General Partner elects to reduce the Initial Quarterly Distribution, the First Target Distribution, the Second Target Distribution and the Third Target Distribution for any Quarter with respect to all or a portion of any Incremental Income Taxes, the General Partner shall estimate for such Quarter the Partnership Group's aggregate liability (the "Estimated Incremental Quarterly Tax Amount") for all (or the relevant portion of) such Incremental Income Taxes; provided that any difference between such estimate and the actual tax liability for Incremental Income Taxes (or the relevant portion thereof) for such Quarter may, to the extent determined by the General Partner, be taken into account in determining the Estimated Incremental Quarterly Tax Amount with respect to each Quarter in which any such difference can be determined. For each such Quarter, the Initial Quarterly Distribution, First Target Distribution, Second Target Distribution and Third Target Distribution, shall be the product obtained by multiplying (a) the amounts therefor that are set out herein prior to the application of this Section 6.10 times (b) the quotient obtained by dividing (i) Available Cash with respect to such Quarter by (ii) the sum of Available Cash with respect to such Quarter and the Estimated Incremental Quarterly Tax Amount for such Quarter, as determined by the General Partner. For purposes of the foregoing, Available Cash with respect to a Quarter will be deemed reduced by the Estimated Incremental Quarterly Tax Amount for that Quarter.

ARTICLE VII

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF BUSINESS

Section 7.1 *Management*.

(a) The General Partner shall conduct, direct and manage all activities of the Partnership. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, all management powers over the business and affairs of the Partnership shall be exclusively vested in the General Partner, and no Limited Partner or Assignee shall have any management power over the business and affairs

of the Partnership. In addition to the powers now or hereafter granted a general partner of a limited partnership under applicable law or that are granted to the General Partner under any other provision of this Agreement, the General Partner, subject to Section 7.3, shall have full power and authority to do all things and on such terms as it determines to be necessary or appropriate to conduct the business of the Partnership, to exercise all powers set forth in Section 2.5 and to effectuate the purposes set forth in Section 2.4, including the following:

(i) the making of any expenditures, the lending or borrowing of money, the assumption or guarantee of, or other contracting for, indebtedness and other liabilities, the issuance of evidences of indebtedness, including indebtedness that is convertible into Partnership Securities, and the incurring of any other obligations;

(ii) the making of tax, regulatory and other filings, or rendering of periodic or other reports to governmental or other agencies having jurisdiction over the business or assets of the Partnership;

(iii) the acquisition, disposition, mortgage, pledge, encumbrance, hypothecation or exchange of any or all of the assets of the Partnership or the merger or other combination of the Partnership with or into another Person (the matters described in this clause (iii) being subject, however, to any prior approval that may be required by Section 7.3 and Article XIV);

(iv) the use of the assets of the Partnership (including cash on hand) for any purpose consistent with the terms of this Agreement, including the financing of the conduct of the operations of the Partnership Group; subject to Section 7.6(a), the lending of funds to other Persons (including other Group Members); the repayment or guarantee of obligations of any Group Member; and the making of capital contributions to any Group Member;

(v) the negotiation, execution and performance of any contracts, conveyances or other instruments (including instruments that limit the liability of the Partnership under contractual arrangements to all or particular assets of the Partnership, with the other party to the contract to have no recourse against the General Partner or its assets other than its interest in the Partnership, even if same results in the terms of the transaction being less favorable to the Partnership than would otherwise be the case);

(vi) the distribution of Partnership cash;

(vii) the selection and dismissal of employees (including employees having titles such as "president," "vice president," "secretary" and "treasurer") and agents, outside attorneys, accountants, consultants and contractors and the determination of their compensation and other terms of employment or hiring;

(viii) the maintenance of insurance for the benefit of the Partnership Group, the Partners and Indemnitees;

(ix) the formation of, or acquisition of an interest in, and the contribution of property and the making of loans to, any further limited or general partnerships, joint ventures,

corporations, limited liability companies or other relationships (including the acquisition of interests in, and the contributions of property to, any Group Member from time to time) subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 2.4;

(x) the control of any matters affecting the rights and obligations of the Partnership, including the bringing and defending of actions at law or in equity and otherwise engaging in the conduct of litigation, arbitration or mediation and the incurring of legal expense and the settlement of claims and litigation;

(xi) the indemnification of any Person against liabilities and contingencies to the extent permitted by law;

(xii) the entering into of listing agreements with any National Securities Exchange and the delisting of some or all of the Limited Partner Interests from, or requesting that trading be suspended on, any such exchange (subject to any prior approval that may be required under Section 4.8);

(xiii) the purchase, sale or other acquisition or disposition of Partnership Securities, or the issuance of options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights relating to Partnership Securities;

(xiv) the undertaking of any action in connection with the Partnership's participation in any Group Member; and

(xv) the entering into of agreements with any of its Affiliates to render services to a Group Member or to itself in the discharge of its duties as General Partner of the Partnership.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, the Delaware Act or any applicable law, rule or regulation, each of the Partners and the Assignees and each other Person who may acquire an interest in Partnership Securities hereby (i) approves, ratifies and confirms the execution, delivery and performance by the parties thereto of this Agreement, the Group Member Agreement of each other Group Member, and the Underwriting Agreement, Contribution Agreement, Letter Agreement, Management Services Agreements, Services Agreement, Secondment Agreement, O&M Agreement, Assignment Agreement, Crest Royalty Agreement, Tax Sharing Agreement and other agreements described in or filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement that are related to the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement to which the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries is a party as of the effective date of this Agreement; (ii) agrees that the General Partner (on its own or through any officer of the Partnership) is authorized to execute, deliver and perform the agreements referred to in clause (i) of this sentence and the other agreements, acts, transactions and matters described in or contemplated by the Registration Statement on behalf of the Partnership Securities; and (iii) agrees that the execution, delivery or performance by the General Partner, any Group Member or any Affiliate of any of them of this Agreement or any agreement authorized or permitted under this

Agreement (including the exercise by the General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner of the rights accorded pursuant to Article XV) shall not constitute a breach by the General Partner of any duty that the General Partner may owe the Partnership or the Limited Partners or any other Persons under this Agreement (or any other agreements) or of any other duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise.

Section 7.2 Certificate of Limited Partnership.

The General Partner has caused the Certificate of Limited Partnership to be filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as required by the Delaware Act. The General Partner shall use all reasonable efforts to cause to be filed such other certificates or documents that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate for the formation, continuation, qualification and operation of a limited partnership (or a partnership in which the limited partners have limited liability) in the State of Delaware or any other state in which the Partnership may elect to do business or own property. To the extent the General Partner determines such action to be necessary or appropriate, the General Partner shall file amendments to and restatements of the Certificate of Limited Partnership and do all things to maintain the Partnership as a limited partnership (or a partnership or other entity in which the limited partners have limited liability) under the laws of the State of Delaware or of any other state in which the Partnership may elect to do business or own property. Subject to the terms of Section 3.4(a), the General Partner shall not be required, before or after filing, to deliver or mail a copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership, any qualification document or any amendment thereto to any Limited Partner.

Section 7.3 *Restrictions on the General Partner's Authority.*

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the General Partner may not, without written approval of the specific act by holders of all of the Outstanding Limited Partner Interests or by other written instrument executed and delivered by holders of all of the Outstanding Limited Partner Interests subsequent to the date of this Agreement, take any action in contravention of this Agreement.

(b) Except as provided in Article XII and Article XIV, the General Partner may not sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership Group, taken as a whole, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions (including by way of merger, consolidation, other combination or sale of ownership interests of the Partnership's Subsidiaries) without the approval of holders of a Unit Majority; *provided, however*, that this provision shall not preclude or limit the General Partner's ability to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or grant a security interest in all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership Group and shall not apply to any forced sale of any or all of the assets of the Partnership Group pursuant to the foreclosure of, or other realization upon, any such encumbrance. Without the approval of holders of a Unit Majority, the General Partner shall not, on behalf of the Partnership, except as permitted under Section 4.6, Section 11.1 and Section 11.2, elect or cause the Partnership to elect a successor general partner of the Partnership.

Section 7.4 Reimbursement of the General Partner.

(a) Except as provided in this Section 7.4 and elsewhere in this Agreement, the General Partner shall not be compensated for its services as a general partner or managing member of any Group Member.

(b) The General Partner or Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., without duplication, shall be reimbursed on a monthly basis, or such other basis as the General Partner may determine, for (i) all direct expenses it incurs or payments it makes on behalf of the Partnership Group (including salary, bonus, incentive compensation and other amounts paid to any Person, including Affiliates of the General Partner, to perform services for the Partnership Group or for the General Partner in the discharge of its duties to the Partnership Group and including overhead allocated to the Partnership by Affiliates of the General Partner consistent with then-applicable accounting and allocation methodologies generally permitted by FERC for rate-making purposes (or in the absence of then-applicable methodologies permitted by FERC, consistent with the most-recently applicable methodologies) and past business practices, and including the fees and expenses payable by the Partnership pursuant to the O&M Agreement and the Services Agreement), and (ii) all other expenses allocated to the General Partner by its Affiliates). The General Partner shall determine the expenses that are allocable to the Partnership Group. Reimbursements pursuant to this Section 7.4 shall be in addition to any reimbursement to the General Partner as a result of indemnification pursuant to Section 7.7. The allocation of overhead to the Partnership by Affiliates of the General Partner consistent with then-applicable accounting and allocation methodologies generally permitted by FERC for rate-making purposes (or in the absence of then-applicable accounting and allocation pursuant to this Section 7.4 shall be in addition to any reimbursement to the General Partner as a result of indemnification pursuant to Section 7.7. The allocation of overhead to the Partnership by Affiliates of the General Partner consistent with then-applicable methodologies permitted by FERC for rate-making purposes (or in the absence of then-applicable methodologies permitted by FERC for rate-making

(c) The General Partner, without the approval of the Limited Partners (who shall have no right to vote in respect thereof), may propose and adopt on behalf of the Partnership Employee Benefit Plans, employee programs and employee practices (including plans, programs and practices involving the issuance of Partnership Securities or options to purchase or rights, warrants or appreciation rights relating to Partnership Securities), or cause the Partnership to issue Partnership Securities in connection with, or pursuant to, any Employee Benefit Plan, employee program or employee practice maintained or sponsored by the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, in each case for the benefit of employees of the General Partner or its Affiliates, or any Group Member or its Affiliates, or any of them, in respect of services performed, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of the Partnership Group. The Partnership agrees to issue and sell to the General Partner or any oi ts Affiliates any Partnership Securities that the General Partner or such Affiliates are obligated to provide to any employees pursuant to any such Employee Benefit Plans, employee programs or employee practices. Expenses incurred by the General Partner in connection with any such plans, programs and practices (including the net cost to the General Partner or such Affiliates of Partnership Securities

purchased by the General Partner or such Affiliates from the Partnership to fulfill options or awards under such plans, programs and practices) shall be reimbursed in accordance with Section 7.4(b). Any and all obligations of the General Partner under any Employee Benefit Plans, employee programs or employee practices adopted by the General Partner as permitted by this Section 7.4(c) shall constitute obligations of the General Partner hereunder and shall be assumed by any successor General Partner approved pursuant to Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 or the transferee of or successor to all of the General Partner's General Partner Interest pursuant to Section 4.6.

Section 7.5 Outside

Activities.

(a) After the Closing Date, the General Partner, for so long as it is the General Partner of the Partnership (i) agrees that its sole business will be to act as a general partner or managing member, as the case may be, of the Partnership and any other partnership or limited liability company of which the Partnership is, directly or indirectly, a partner or member and to undertake activities that are ancillary or related thereto (including being a limited partner in the Partnership) and (ii) shall not engage in any business or activity or incur any debts or liabilities except in connection with or incidental to (A) its performance as general partner or managing member, if any, of one or more Group Members or as described in or contemplated by the Registration Statement or (B) the acquiring, owning or disposing of debt or equity securities in any Group Member.

(b) Subject to Section 7.5(c), each Indemnitee (other than the General Partner) shall have the right to engage in businesses of every type and description and other activities for profit and to engage in and possess an interest in other business ventures of any and every type or description, whether in businesses engaged in or anticipated to be engaged in by any Group Member, independently or with others, including business interests and activities in direct competition with the business and activities of any Group Member, and none of the same shall constitute a breach of this Agreement or any other duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise to any Group Member or any Partner or Assignee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise, but subject to Section 7.5(c) (i) the engaging in competitive activities by any Indemnitees (other than the General Partner) in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7.5 is hereby approved by the Partnership and all Partners, (ii) it shall be deemed not to be breach of any duty including any fiduciary duty or any other obligation of any type whatsoever of the General Partner or of any Indemnitee for the Indemnitees (other than the General Partner) to engage in such business interests and activities in preference to or to the exclusion of the Partnership.

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise, the doctrine of corporate opportunity, or any analogous doctrine, shall not apply to an Indemnitee (including the General Partner). No Indemnitee (including the General Partner) who acquires knowledge of a potential transaction, agreement, arrangement or other matter that may be an opportunity for the Partnership shall have any duty to communicate or offer such opportunity to the Partnership, and it shall be deemed not to be breach of any duty including any fiduciary duty or any other obligation of any type whatsoever of the General Partner or of any Indemnitee for the Indemnitees (including the General Partner) to not

communicate or offer such opportunity to the Partnership, and such Indemnitee (including the General Partner) shall not be liable to the Partnership, to any Limited Partner or any other Person for breach of any fiduciary or other duty by reason of the fact that such Indemnitee (including the General Partner) pursues or acquires for itself, directs such opportunity to another Person or does not communicate such opportunity or information to the Partnership; *provided, however*, that the preceding terms of this Section 7.5(c) shall not apply to any business opportunity (i) of which any Person who is an employee of any member of the Partnership Group or an officer, director or employee and not acting in his capacity as such officer, director or employee of an entity that is not a member of the Partnership Group or (ii) taken by an Indemnitee who is an individual for such Indemnitee's personal benefit.

(d) The General Partner and each of its Affiliates may acquire Units or other Partnership Securities in addition to those acquired on the Closing Date and, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, shall be entitled to exercise, at their option, all rights relating to all Units or other Partnership Securities acquired by them. The term "*Affiliates*" when used in this Section 7.5(d) with respect to the General Partner shall not include any Group Member.

Section 7.6 Loans from the General Partner; Loans or Contributions from the Partnership or Group Members.

(a) The General Partner or any of its Affiliates may lend to any Group Member, and any Group Member may borrow from the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, funds needed or desired by the Group Member for such periods of time and in such amounts as the General Partner may determine; *provided*, *however*, that in any such case the lending party may not charge the borrowing party interest at a rate greater than the rate that would be charged the borrowing party or impose terms less favorable to the borrowing party than would be charged or imposed on the borrowing party by unrelated lenders on comparable loans made on an arm's-length basis (without reference to the lending party's financial abilities or guarantees), all as determined by the General Partner. The borrowing party shall reimburse the lending party for any costs (other than any additional interest costs) incurred by the lending party in connection with the borrowing of such funds. For purposes of this Section 7.6(a) and Section 7.6(b), the term "*Group Member*" shall include any Affiliate of a Group Member that is controlled by the Group Member.

(b) The Partnership may lend or contribute to any Group Member, and any Group Member may borrow from the Partnership, funds on terms and conditions determined by the General Partner. No Group Member may lend funds to the General Partner or any of its Affiliates (other than another Group Member).

(c) No borrowing by any Group Member or the approval thereof by the General Partner shall be deemed to constitute a breach of any duty of the General Partner or its Affiliates to the Partnership or the Limited Partners existing hereunder, or existing at law, in equity or otherwise by reason of the fact that the purpose or effect of such borrowing is directly or indirectly to (i) enable distributions to the General Partner or its Affiliates (including in their capacities as Limited Partners) to exceed the General Partner's Percentage Interest of the total amount

distributed to all partners or (ii) hasten the expiration of the Subordination Period or the conversion of any Subordinated Units into Common Units.

Section 7.7 Indemnification.

(a) To the fullest extent permitted by law but subject to the limitations expressly provided in this Agreement, all Indemnitees shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Partnership from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which any Indemnitee may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of the Indemnitee's serving or having served, or taking or having taken any action or inaction in any capacity that causes or caused the Indemnitee to be, an Indemnitee; *provided*, that the Indemnitee shall not be indemnified and held harmless if there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this Section 7.7, the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful; *provided*, *further*, no indemnification pursuant to this Section 7.7 shall be available to the General Partner or its Affiliates (other than a Group Member) with respect to its or their obligations incurred pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement or the Contribution Agreement (other than obligations incurred by the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership). Any indemnification pursuant to this Section 7.7 shall be made only out of the assets of the Partnership, it being agreed that the General Partner shall not be personally liable for such indemnification and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Partnership to enable it to effectuate such indemnification.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted by law, expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by an Indemnitee who is indemnified pursuant to Section 7.7(a) in defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Partnership prior to a determination that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified upon receipt by the Partnership of any undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnitee to repay such amount if it shall be determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized in this Section 7.7.

(c) The indemnification provided by this Section 7.7 shall be in addition to any other rights to which an Indemnitee may be entitled under any agreement, pursuant to any vote of the holders of Outstanding Limited Partner Interests, as a matter of law or otherwise, both as to actions in the Indemnitee's capacity as an Indemnitee and as to actions in any other capacity (including any capacity under the Underwriting Agreement), and shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to serve in such capacity and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns and administrators of the Indemnitee.

(d) The Partnership may purchase and maintain (or reimburse the General Partner or its Affiliates for the cost of) insurance, on behalf of the General Partner, its Affiliates and such other Persons as the General Partner shall determine, against any liability that may be asserted

against, or expense that may be incurred by, such Person in connection with the Partnership's activities or such Person's activities on behalf of the Partnership, regardless of whether the Partnership would have the power to indemnify such Person against such liability under the provisions of this Agreement.

(e) For purposes of this Section 7.7, the Partnership shall be deemed to have requested an Indemnitee to serve as fiduciary of an Employee Benefit Plan whenever the performance by it of its duties to the Partnership also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, it to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; excise taxes assessed on an Indemnitee with respect to an Employee Benefit Plan pursuant to applicable law shall constitute *"fines"* within the meaning of Section 7.7(a); and action taken or omitted by it with respect to any Employee Benefit Plan in the performance of its duties for a purpose reasonably believed by it to be in the best interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose that is in the best interests of the Partnership.

(f) In no event may an Indemnitee subject the Limited Partners to personal liability by reason of the indemnification provisions set forth in this Agreement.

(g) An Indemnitee shall not be denied indemnification in whole or in part under this Section 7.7 because the Indemnitee had an interest in the transaction with respect to which the indemnification applies if the transaction was otherwise permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

(h) The provisions of this Section 7.7 are for the benefit of the Indemnitees, their heirs, successors, assigns and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights for the benefit of any other Persons.

(i) No amendment, modification or repeal of this Section 7.7 or any provision hereof shall in any manner terminate, reduce or impair the right of any past, present or future Indemnitee to be indemnified by the Partnership, nor the obligations of the Partnership to indemnify any such Indemnitee under and in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7.7 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

Section 7.8 Liability of Indemnitees.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, no Indemnitee shall be liable for monetary damages to the Partnership, the Limited Partners, the Assignees or any other Persons who have acquired interests in the Partnership Securities, for losses sustained or liabilities incurred as a result of any act or omission of an Indemnitee unless there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter in question, the Indemnitee acted in bad faith or engaged in fraud, willful misconduct or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was criminal.

(b) Subject to its obligations and duties as General Partner set forth in Section 7.1(a), the General Partner may exercise any of the powers granted to it by this Agreement and perform any of the duties imposed upon it hereunder either directly or by or through its agents, and the General Partner shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such agent appointed by the General Partner in good faith.

(c) To the extent that, at law or in equity, an Indemnitee has duties (including fiduciary duties) and liabilities relating thereto to the Partnership or to the Partners, the General Partner and any other Indemnitee acting in connection with the Partnership's business or affairs shall not be liable to the Partnership or to any Partner for its good faith reliance on the provisions of this Agreement.

(d) Any amendment, modification or repeal of this Section 7.8 or any provision hereof shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnitees under this Section 7.8 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

(e) In exercising its authority under this Agreement, the General Partner is under no obligation to consider the separate interests of any Partner individually (including, without limitation, the particular tax consequences to any Partner individually) in deciding whether to cause the Partnership to take (or to decline to take) any action, and the General Partner shall not be liable for monetary damages for losses sustained, liabilities incurred or benefits not derived by Partners in connection with such decisions, *provided* that the General Partner has acted in good faith.

Section 7.9 Resolution of Conflicts of Interest; Standards of Conduct and Modification of Duties.

(a) Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement or any Group Member Agreement, whenever any actual or potential conflict of interest exists or arises between the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Partnership, any Group Member, any Partner or any Assignee, on the other, any resolution or course of action by the General Partner or its Affiliates in respect of such conflict of interest shall be permitted and deemed approved by all Partners, and shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement, of any Group Member Agreement, of any agreement contemplated herein or therein, or of any duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise, if the resolution or course of action in respect of such conflict of interest is (i) approved by Special Approval, (ii) approved by the vote of a majority of the Outstanding Common Units (excluding Common Units owned by the General Partner and its Affiliates), (iii) on terms no less favorable to the Partnership than those generally being provided to or available from unrelated third parties or (iv) fair and reasonable to the Partnership, taking into account the totality of the relationships between the parties involved (including other transactions that may be particularly favorable or advantageous to the Partnership). The General Partner shall be authorized but not required in connection with its resolution of such conflict of interest to seek Special Approval of such resolution, and the General Partner may also adopt a resolution or course of action that has not received Special Approval. If Special Approval is

sought, then it shall be presumed that, in making its decision, the Conflicts Committee acted in good faith, and if Special Approval is not sought and the Board of Directors of the General Partner determines that the resolution or course of action taken with respect to a conflict of interest satisfies either of the standards set forth in clauses (iii) or (iv) above, then it shall be presumed that, in making its decision, the Board of Directors acted in good faith, and, in either case, in any proceeding brought by any Limited Partner or Assignee or by or on behalf of such Limited Partner or Assignee or any other Limited Partner or Assignee or the Partnership challenging such approval, the Person bringing or prosecuting such proceeding shall have the burden of overcoming such presumption. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the existence of the conflicts of interest described in the Registration Statement are hereby approved by all Partners and shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement or of any other duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise.

(b) Whenever the General Partner makes a determination or takes or declines to take any other action, or any of its Affiliates causes it to do so, in its capacity as the general partner of the Partnership as opposed to in its individual capacity, whether under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby or otherwise, then, unless another express standard is provided for in this Agreement, the General Partner, or such Affiliates causing it to do so, shall make such determination or take or decline to take such other action in good faith and shall not be subject to any other or different standards imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity. In order for a determination or other action to be in "good faith" for purposes of this Agreement, the Person or Persons making such determination or taking or declining to take such other action must believe that the determination or other action is in the best interests of the Partnership.

(c) Whenever the General Partner makes a determination or takes or declines to take any other action, or any of its Affiliates causes it to do so, in its individual capacity as opposed to in its capacity as the general partner of the Partnership, whether under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby or otherwise, then the General Partner, or such Affiliates causing it to do so, are entitled, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to make such determination or to take or decline to take such other action free of any fiduciary or other duty or obligation whatsoever to the Partnership, any Limited Partner or Assignee; and the General Partner, or such Affiliates causing it to do so, shall not be required to act in good faith or pursuant to any other standard imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, any other agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity. By way of illustration and not of limitation, whenever the phrase, "at the option of the General Partner," or some variation of that phrase, is used in this Agreement, it indicates that the General Partner votes or transfers its Units, General Partner Units or Incentive Distribution Rights, as appropriate, or refrains from voting or transferring its Units, General Partner Units or Incentive Distribution Rights, to the extent permitted under this Agreement, it shall be acting in its individual capacity. The General Partner's organizational documents may provide that determinations to take or decline to take any action in its individual, rather than representative,

capacity may or shall be determined by its members, if the General Partner is a limited liability company, stockholders, if the General Partner is a corporation, or the members or stockholders of the General Partner's general partner, if the General Partner is a limited partnership.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the General Partner and its Affiliates shall have no duty or obligation, express or implied, to (i) sell or otherwise dispose of any asset of the Partnership Group other than in the ordinary course of business or (ii) permit any Group Member to use any facilities or assets of the General Partner and its Affiliates, except as may be provided in contracts entered into from time to time specifically dealing with such use. Any determination by the General Partner or any of its Affiliates to enter into such contracts shall be at its option.

(e) Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or required by the Delaware Act, neither the General Partner nor any other Indemnitee shall have any duties or liabilities, including fiduciary duties, to the Partnership or any Limited Partner or Assignee and the provisions of this Agreement, to the extent that they restrict, eliminate or otherwise modify the duties and liabilities, including fiduciary duties, of the General Partner or any other Indemnitee otherwise existing at law or in equity, are agreed by the Partners to replace such other duties and liabilities of the General Partner or such other Indemnitee.

(f) The Unitholders hereby authorize the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership as a partner or member of a Group Member, to approve actions by the general partner or managing member of such Group Member similar to those actions permitted to be taken by the General Partner pursuant to this Section 7.9.

Section 7.10 Other Matters Concerning the General Partner.

(a) The General Partner may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, bond, debenture or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties.

(b) The General Partner may consult with legal counsel, accountants, appraisers, management consultants, investment bankers and other consultants and advisers selected by it, and any act taken or omitted to be taken in reliance upon the advice or opinion (including an Opinion of Counsel) of such Persons as to matters that the General Partner reasonably believes to be within such Person's professional or expert competence shall be conclusively presumed to have been done or omitted in good faith and in accordance with such advice or opinion. The General Partner shall be fully protected from liability to the Partnership, the Partners or other Persons bound to this Agreement for such reliance made in good faith.

(c) The General Partner shall have the right, in respect of any of its powers or obligations hereunder, to act through any of its duly authorized officers, a duly appointed attorney or attorneys-in-fact or the duly authorized officers of the Partnership.



Section 7.11 Purchase or Sale of Partnership Securities.

The General Partner may cause the Partnership to purchase or otherwise acquire Partnership Securities; *provided* that, except as may be required pursuant to Section 4.10, the General Partner may not cause any Group Member to purchase Subordinated Units during the Subordination Period. As long as Partnership Securities are held by any Group Member, such Partnership Securities shall not be considered Outstanding for any purpose, except as otherwise provided herein. The General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner may also purchase or otherwise acquire and sell or otherwise dispose of Partnership Securities for its own account, subject to the provisions of Article IV and Article X.

Section 7.12 Registration Rights of the General Partner and its Affiliates.

(a) If, (i) the General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner (including for purposes of this Section 7.12, any Person that is an Affiliate of the General Partner at the date hereof notwithstanding that it may later cease to be an Affiliate of the General Partner) holds Partnership Securities that it desires to sell and (ii) Rule 144 of the Securities Act (or any successor rule or regulation to Rule 144) or another exemption from registration is not available to enable such holder of Partnership Securities (the "Holder") to dispose of the number of Partnership Securities it desires to sell at the time it desires to do so without registration under the Securities Act, then at the option and upon the request of the Holder, the Partnership shall file with the Commission as promptly as practicable after receiving such request, and use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause to become effective and remain effective for a period of not less than six months following its effective date or such shorter period as shall terminate when all Partnership Securities covered by such registration statement have been sold, a registration statement under the Securities Act registering the offering and sale of the number of Partnership Securities specified by the Holder; *provided, however*, that the Partnership and its Partners because such registration would (x) materially interfere with a significant acquisition, reorganization or other similar transaction involving the Partnership, (y) require premature disclosure of material information that the Partnership has al bons fide business purpose for preserving as confidential or (z) render the Partnership shall be deemed not to be utilized more than six months after receipt of the Holder's request, such right pursuant to this Section 7.12(a) and Section 7.12(b) not to be utilized more than six months after receipt of the Holder's request, such right pursuant to this Section 7.12(a) and Section 7.12(b) not to be utilized more than six months after receipt of the Hold

laws of such states as the Holder shall reasonably request; *provided*, *however*, that no such qualification shall be required in any jurisdiction where, as a result thereof, the Partnership would become subject to general service of process or to taxation or qualification to do business as a foreign corporation or partnership doing business in such jurisdiction solely as a result of such registration, and (B) such documents as may be necessary to apply for listing or to list the Partnership Securities subject to such registration on such National Securities Exchange as the Holder shall reasonably request, and (ii) do any and all other acts and things that may be necessary or appropriate to enable the Holder to consummate a public sale of such Partnership Securities in such states. Except as set forth in Section 7.12(d), all costs and expenses of any such registration and offering (other than the underwriting discounts and commissions) shall be paid by the Partnership, without reimbursement by the Holder.

(b) If, any Holder holds Partnership Securities that it desires to sell and Rule 144 of the Securities Act (or any successor rule or regulation to Rule 144) or another exemption from registration is not available to enable such Holder to dispose of the number of Partnership of the Holder, the Partnership shall file with the Commission as promptly as practicable after receiving such request, and use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause to become effective and remain effective for a period of not less than six months following its effective date or such shorter period as shall terminate when all Partnership Securities covered by such shelf registration statement covering the Partnership Securities specified by the Holder on an appropriate form under Rule 415 under the Securities Act, or any similar rule that may be adopted by the Commission, *provided*, *however*, that the Partnership shall not be required to effect more than five registrations pursuant to Section 7.12(a) and this Section 7.12(b); and *provided further*, *however*, that if the Comflicts Committee determines in good faith that any offering under, or the use of any prospectus forming a part of, the shelf registration involving the Partnership shall not be comply with requirements under applicable securities laws, then the Partnership shall have the right to suspend such offering or use for a period of not more than six months after receipt of the Holder's request, such right pursuant to Section 7.12(a) or this Section 7.12(b) or the Section 7.12(b) not to be utilized more than once in any twelve-month period. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, the Partnership shall be deemed not to have used all commercially reasonable efforts to keep the shelf registration statement effective during the applicable period if it voluntarily takes any action that would result in Holder's of Partnership Socurities covered thereby not being able to offer and sell sells the sell registration under fuele 415. Note the partnership shall be deemed to hav

taxation or qualification to do business as a foreign corporation or partnership doing business in such jurisdiction solely as a result of such shelf registration, and (B) such documents as may be necessary to apply for listing or to list the Partnership Securities subject to such shelf registration on such National Securities Exchange as the Holder shall reasonably request, and (ii) do any and all other acts and things that may be necessary or appropriate to enable the Holder to consummate a public sale of such Partnership Securities in such states. Except as set forth in Section 7.12(d), all costs and expenses of any such shelf registration and offering (other than the underwriting discounts and commissions) shall be paid by the Partnership, without reimbursement by the Holder.

(c) If the Partnership shall at any time propose to file a registration statement under the Securities Act for an offering of equity securities of the Partnership for cash (other than an offering relating solely to an Employee Benefit Plan), the Partnership shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to include such number or amount of securities held by any Holder in such registration statement as the Holder shall request; *provided*, that the Partnership is not required to make any effort or take any action to so include the securities of the Holder once the registration statement becomes or is declared effective by the Commission, including any registration statement providing for the offering from time to time of securities pursuant to Rule 415 of the Securities Act. If the proposed offering pursuant to this Section 7.12(c) shall be an underwritten offering, then, in the event that the managing underwriter or managing underwriters of such offering advise the Partnership and the Holder in writing that in their opinion the inclusion of all or some of the Holder's Partnership Securities would adversely and materially affect the success of the offering, the Partnership shall include in such offering only that number or amount, if any, of securities held by the Holder that, in the opinion of the managing underwriter or managing underwriters, will not so adversely and materially affect the offering. Except as set forth in Section 7.12(d), all costs and expenses of any such registration and offering (other than the underwriting discounts and commissions) shall be paid by the Partnership, without reimbursement by the Holder.

(d) If underwriters are engaged in connection with any registration referred to in this Section 7.12, the Partnership shall provide indemnification, representations, covenants, opinions and other assurance to the underwriters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such underwriters. Further, in addition to and not in limitation of the Partnership's obligation under Section 7.7, the Partnership shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify and hold harmless the Holder, its officers, directors and each Person who controls the Holder (within the meaning of the Securities Act) and any agent thereof (collectively, "*Indemnified Persons*") from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which any Indemnified Person may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, under the Securities Act or otherwise (hereinafter referred to in this Section 7.12(d) as a "*claim*" and in the plural as "*claims*") based upon, arising out of or resulting from any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in any registration statement under which any Partnership Securities were registered under the Securities Act or any state securities or Blue Sky laws, in any

preliminary prospectus (if used prior to the effective date of such registration statement), or in any summary or final prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto (if used during the period the Partnership is required to keep the registration statement current), or arising out of, based upon or resulting from the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements made therein not misleading; *provided*, *however*, that the Partnership shall not be liable to any Indemnified Person to the extent that any such claim arises out of, is based upon or results from an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or supplement, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership by or on behalf of such Indemnified Person specifically for use in the preparation thereof.

(e) The provisions of Section 7.12(a), Section 7.12(b) and Section 7.12(c) shall continue to be applicable with respect to the General Partner (and any of the General Partner's Affiliates) after it ceases to be a general partner of the Partnership, during a period of two years subsequent to the effective date of such cessation and for so long thereafter as is required for the Holder to sell all of the Partnership Securities with respect to which it has requested during such two-year period inclusion in a registration statement otherwise filed or that a registration statement be filed; *provided, however*, that the Partnership shall not be required to file successive registration statements covering the same Partnership Securities for which registration was demanded during such two-year period. The provisions of Section 7.12(d) shall continue in effect thereafter.

(f) The rights to cause the Partnership to register Partnership Securities pursuant to this Section 7.12 may be assigned (but only with all related obligations) by a Holder to a transferee or assignee of such Partnership Securities, provided (i) the Partnership is, within a reasonable time after such transfer, furnished with written notice of the name and address of such transferee or assignee and the Partnership Securities with respect to which such registration rights are being assigned; and (ii) such transferee or assignee agrees in writing to be bound by and subject to the terms set forth in this Section 7.12.

(g) Any request to register Partnership Securities pursuant to this Section 7.12 shall (i) specify the Partnership Securities intended to be offered and sold by the Person making the request, (ii) express such Person's present intent to offer such Partnership Securities for distribution, (iii) describe the nature or method of the proposed offer and sale of Partnership Securities, and (iv) contain the undertaking of such Person to provide all such information and materials and take all action as may be required in order to permit the Partnership to comply with all applicable requirements in connection with the registration of such Partnership Securities.

Section 7.13 *Reliance by Third Parties.*

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, any Person dealing with the Partnership shall be entitled to assume that the General Partner and any officer of the General Partner authorized by the General Partner to act on behalf of and in the name of the Partnership has full power and authority to encumber, sell or otherwise use in any manner any and all assets of the

Partnership and to enter into any authorized contracts on behalf of the Partnership, and such Person shall be entitled to deal with the General Partner or any such officer as if it were the Partnership's sole party in interest, both legally and beneficially. Each Limited Partner hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any and all defenses or other remedies that may be available against such Person to contest, negate or disaffirm any action of the General Partner or any such officer in connection with any such dealing. In no event shall any Person dealing with the General Partner or any such officer or its representatives be obligated to ascertain that the terms of this Agreement have been complied with or to inquire into the necessity or expedience of any act or action of the General Partner or any such officer or its representatives. Each and every certificate, document or other instrument executed on behalf of the Partnership by the General Partner or its representatives shall be conclusive evidence in favor of any and every Person relying thereon or claiming thereunder that (a) at the time of the execution and delivery of such certificate, document or instrument, this Agreement was in full force and effect, (b) the Person executing and delivering such certificate, document or instrument was duly authorized and empowered to do so for and on behalf of the Partnership and (c) such certificate, document or instrument was duly executed and delivered in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and is binding upon the Partnership.

ARTICLE VIII

BOOKS, RECORDS, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTS

Section 8.1 *Records and Accounting.*

The General Partner shall keep or cause to be kept at the principal office of the Partnership appropriate books and records with respect to the Partnership's business, including all books and records necessary to provide to the Limited Partners any information required to be provided pursuant to Section 3.4(a). Any books and records maintained by or on behalf of the Partnership in the regular course of its business, including the record of the Record Holders and Assignees of Units or other Partnership Securities, books of account and records of Partnership proceedings, may be kept on, or be in the form of, computer disks, hard drives, punch cards, magnetic tape, photographs, micrographics or any other information storage device; *provided*, that the books and records so maintained are convertible into clearly legible written form within a reasonable period of time. The books of the Partnership shall be maintained, for financial reporting purposes, on an accrual basis in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Section 8.2 Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the Partnership shall be a fiscal year ending December 31.

Section 8.3 *Reports*.

(a) As soon as practicable, but in no event later than 120 days after the close of each fiscal year of the Partnership, the General Partner shall cause to be mailed or made available, by any reasonable means (including posting on the Partnership's website), to each Record Holder of a Unit as of a date selected by the General Partner, an annual report containing financial statements of the Partnership for such fiscal year of the Partnership, presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, including a balance sheet and statements of operations, Partnership equity

and cash flows, such statements to be audited by a firm of independent public accountants selected by the General Partner.

(b) As soon as practicable, but in no event later than 90 days after the close of each Quarter except the last Quarter of each fiscal year, the General Partner shall cause to be mailed or made available, by any reasonable means (including posting on the Partnership's website), to each Record Holder of a Unit, as of a date selected by the General Partner, a report containing unaudited financial statements of the Partnership and such other information as may be required by applicable law, regulation or rule of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading, or as the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate.

ARTICLE IX

TAX MATTERS

Section 9.1 Tax Returns and Information.

The Partnership shall timely file all returns of the Partnership that are required for federal, state and local income tax purposes on the basis of the accrual method and the taxable year or years that it is required by law to adopt, from time to time, as determined in good faith by the General Partner. The tax information reasonably required by Record Holders for federal and state income tax reporting purposes with respect to a taxable year shall be furnished to them within 90 days of the close of the calendar year in which the Partnership's taxable year ends. The classification, realization and recognition of income, gain, losses and deductions and other items shall be on the accrual method of accounting for federal income tax purposes.

Section 9.2 Tax

Elections.

(a) The Partnership shall make the election under Section 754 of the Code in accordance with applicable regulations thereunder, subject to the reservation of the right to seek to revoke any such election upon the General Partner's determination that such revocation is in the best interests of the Limited Partners. Notwithstanding any other provision herein contained, for the purposes of computing the adjustments under Section 743(b) of the Code, the General Partner shall be authorized (but not required) to adopt a convention whereby the price paid by a transferee of a Limited Partner Interest will be deemed to be the lowest quoted closing price of the Limited Partner Interests on any National Securities Exchange on which such Limited Partner Interests are listed or admitted to trading during the calendar month in which such transfer is deemed to occur pursuant to Section 6.2(g) without regard to the actual price paid by such transferee.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, the General Partner shall determine whether the Partnership should make any other elections permitted by the Code.

Section 9.3 Tax

Controversies.

Subject to the provisions hereof, the General Partner is designated as the Tax Matters Partner

(as defined in the Code) and is authorized and required to represent the Partnership (at the Partnership's expense) in connection with all examinations of the Partnership's affairs by tax authorities, including resulting administrative and judicial proceedings, and to expend Partnership funds for professional services and costs associated therewith. Each Partner agrees to cooperate with the General Partner and to do or refrain from doing any or all things reasonably required by the General Partner to conduct such proceedings.

Section 9.4 Withholding.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the General Partner is authorized to take any action that may be required to cause the Partnership and other Group Members to comply with any withholding requirements established under the Code or any other federal, state or local law including pursuant to Sections 1441, 1442, 1445 and 1446 of the Code. To the extent that the Partnership is required or elects to withhold and pay over to any taxing authority any amount resulting from the allocation or distribution of income to any Partner or Assignee (including by reason of Section 1446 of the Code), the General Partner may treat the amount withheld as a distribution of cash pursuant to Section 6.3 in the amount of such withholding from such Partner.

ARTICLE X

ADMISSION OF PARTNERS

Section 10.1 Admission of Initial Limited Partners.

Upon the issuance by the Partnership of Common Units, Subordinated Units and Incentive Distribution Rights to the General Partner, and the Underwriters as described in Section 5.2 and Section 5.3 in connection with the Initial Offering, the General Partner shall admit such parties to the Partnership as Initial Limited Partners in respect of the Common Units, Subordinated Units or Incentive Distribution Rights issued to them.

Section 10.2 Admission of Substituted Limited Partners.

By transfer of a Limited Partner Interest in accordance with Article IV, the transferor shall be deemed to have given the transferee the right to seek admission as a Substituted Limited Partner subject to the conditions of, and in the manner permitted under, this Agreement. A transferor of a Certificate representing a Limited Partner Interest shall, however, only have the authority to convey to a purchaser or other transferee who does not execute and deliver a Transfer Application (a) the right to negotiate such Certificate to a purchaser or other transferee and (b) the right to transfer the right to request admission as a Substituted Limited Partner to such purchaser or other transferee in respect of the transferred Limited Partner Interests. No transferor of a Limited Partner Interest or other Person shall have any obligation or responsibility to provide a Transfer Application or Tax Certificate to a transferee or assist or participate in any way with respect to the completion or delivery thereof. Each transferee of a Limited Partner Interest (including any nominee holder or an agent acquiring such Limited Partner Interest for the account of another Person) who executes and delivers a properly completed Transfer Application shall, by virtue of such execution and delivery, be an Assignee. Such Assignee shall automatically be admitted to the Partnership as a Substituted Limited Partner with respect to the Limited Partner Interests so transferred to such Person at such time as



such transfer is recorded in the books and records of the Partnership, and until so recorded, such transferee shall be an Assignee. The General Partner shall periodically, but no less frequently than on the first Business Day of each Quarter, cause any unrecorded transfers of Limited Partner Interests with respect to which a properly completed, duly executed Transfer Application has been received to be recorded in the books and records of the Partnership. An Assignee shall have an interest in the Partnership equivalent to that of a Limited Partner with respect to allocations, including liquidating distributions, of the Partnership. With respect to voting rights attributable to Limited Partner Interests that are held by Assignees, the General Partner shall be deemed to be the Limited Partner with respect thereto and shall, in exercising the voting rights in respect of such Limited Partner Interests on any matter, vote such Limited Partner Interests at the written direction of the Assignee who is the Record Holder of such Limited Partner Interests. If no such written direction is received, such Limited Partner Interests will not be voted. An Assignee shall have no other rights of a Limited Partner.

Section 10.3 Admission of Successor General Partner.

A successor General Partner approved pursuant to Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 or the transferee of or successor to all of the General Partner Interest pursuant to Section 4.6 who is proposed to be admitted as a successor General Partner shall be admitted to the Partnership as the General Partner, effective immediately prior to the withdrawal or removal of the predecessor or transferring General Partner, pursuant to Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 or the transfer of the General Partner Interest pursuant to Section 4.6, *provided*, *however*, that no such successor shall be admitted to the Partnership until compliance with the terms of Section 4.6 has occurred and such successor has executed and delivered such other documents or instruments as may be required to effect such admission. Any such successor shall, subject to the terms hereof, carry on the business of the members of the Partnership Group without dissolution.

Section 10.4 Admission of Additional Limited Partners.

(a) A Person (other than the General Partner, an Initial Limited Partner or a Substituted Limited Partner) who makes a Capital Contribution to the Partnership in accordance with this Agreement shall be admitted to the Partnership as an Additional Limited Partner only upon furnishing to the General Partner:

(i) evidence of acceptance in form satisfactory to the General Partner of all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including the power of attorney granted in Section 2.6; and

(ii) such other documents or instruments as may be required by the General Partner to effect such Person's admission as an Additional Limited Partner.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 10.4, no Person shall be admitted as an Additional Limited Partner without the consent of the General Partner. The admission of any Person as an Additional Limited Partner shall become effective on the date upon which the name of such Person is recorded as such in the books and records of the Partnership, following the consent of the General Partner to such admission.

Section 10.5 Amendment of Agreement and Certificate of Limited Partnership.

To effect the admission to the Partnership of any Partner, the General Partner shall take all steps necessary or appropriate under the Delaware Act to amend the records of the Partnership to reflect such admission and, if necessary, to prepare as soon as practicable an amendment to this Agreement and, if required by law, the General Partner shall prepare and file an amendment to the Certificate of Limited Partnership, and the General Partner may for this purpose, among others, exercise the power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 2.6.

ARTICLE XI

WITHDRAWAL OR REMOVAL OF PARTNERS

Section 11.1 Withdrawal of the General Partner.

(a) The General Partner shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Partnership upon the occurrence of any one of the following events (each such event herein referred to as an "*Event of Withdrawal*");

- (i) The General Partner voluntarily withdraws from the Partnership by giving written notice to the other Partners;
- (ii) The General Partner transfers all of its General Partner Interest pursuant to Section 4.6;
- (iii) The General Partner is removed pursuant to Section 11.2;

(iv) The General Partner (A) makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; (B) files a voluntary bankruptcy petition for relief under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code; (C) files a petition or answer seeking for itself a liquidation, dissolution or similar relief (but not a reorganization) under any law; (D) files an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against the General Partner in a proceeding of the type described in clauses (A)-(C) of this Section 11.1(a)(iv); or (E) seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee (but not a debtor-in-possession), receiver or liquidator of the General Partner or of all or any substantial part of its properties;

(v) A final and non-appealable order of relief under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code is entered by a court with appropriate jurisdiction pursuant to a voluntary or involuntary petition by or against the General Partner; or

(vi) (A) in the event the General Partner is a corporation, a certificate of dissolution or its equivalent is filed for the General Partner, or 90 days expire after the date of notice to the General Partner of revocation of its charter without a reinstatement of its charter, under the laws of its state of incorporation; (B) in the event the General Partner is a partnership or a limited liability company, the dissolution and commencement of winding up of the General Partner; (C) in the event the General Partner is acting in such capacity by virtue

of being a trustee of a trust, the termination of the trust; (D) in the event the General Partner is a natural person, his death or adjudication of incompetency; and (E) otherwise in the event of the termination of the General Partner.

If an Event of Withdrawal specified in Section 11.1(a)(iv), Section 11.1(a)(v) or Section 11.1(a)(vi)(A), (B), (C) or (E) occurs, the withdrawing General Partner shall give notice to the Limited Partners within 30 days after such occurrence. The Partners hereby agree that only the Events of Withdrawal described in this Section 11.1 shall result in the withdrawal of the General Partner from the Partnership.

(b) Withdrawal of the General Partner from the Partnership upon the occurrence of an Event of Withdrawal shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement under the following circumstances: (i) at any time during the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending at 12:00 midnight, Central Time, on March 31, 2017, the General Partner voluntarily withdraws by giving at least 90 days' advance notice of its intention to withdraw to the Limited Partners; *provided*, that prior to the effective date of such withdrawal, the withdrawal is approved by Unitholders holding at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units (excluding Common Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates) and the General Partner delivers to the Partnership an Opinion of Counsel (*"Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel*") that such withdrawal (following the selection of the successor General Partner) would not result in the loss of the limited liability of any Limited Partner or any Group Member or cause any Group Member to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise to be taxed as an entity for federal income tax purposes (to the extent not already so treated or taxed); (ii) at any time after 12:00 midnight, Central Time, on March 31, 2017, the General Partner voluntarily withdraws by giving at least 90 days' advance notice to the Unitholders, such withdrawal to take effect on the date specified in such notice; (iii) at any time that the General Partner ceases to be the General Partner pursuant to Section 11.2; or (iv) notwithstanding clause (i) of this sentence, at any time that the General Partner and its Affiliates) own beneficially or of record or control at least 50% of the Outstanding Units. The withdrawal of the General Partner and its Affiliates) own beneficially or of record or control at least 50% of the Outstanding Units. The withdrawal and the General Partner romanaging member, if any, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members. If the General Partner such withdrawal shall also constitute the wi

12.1. Any successor General Partner elected in accordance with the terms of this Section 11.1 shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.3.

Section 11.2 Removal of the General Partner.

The General Partner may be removed if such removal is approved by the Unitholders holding at least 66³/₃%, of the Outstanding Limited Partner Units (including Limited Partner Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates) voting as a single class. Any such action by such holders for removal of the General Partner must also provide for the election of a successor General Partner by the Unitholders holding a majority of the Outstanding Common Units voting as a class and a majority of the Outstanding Subordinated Units voting as a class (including Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates). Such removal shall be effective immediately following the admission of a successor General Partner pursuant to Section 10.3. The removal of the General Partner shall also automatically constitute the removal of the General Partner or a managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members of which the General Partner is a general partner or a managing member. If a Person is elected as a successor General Partner in accordance with the terms of this Section 11.2, such Person shall, upon admission pursuant to Section 10.3, automatically become a successor general partner or managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members (to the extent permitted or required by their governing documents) of which the General Partner is a general partner or a managing member, and is hereby authorized to, and shall, continue the business of the Partnership and, to the extent applicable, the other Group Members, without dissolution. The right of the holders of Outstanding Units to remove the General Partner shall not exist or be exercised unless the Partnership has received an opinion opining as to the matters covered by a Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel. Any successor General Partner elected in accordance with the terms of this Section 11.2, shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.3.

Section 11.3 Interest of Departing General Partner and Successor General Partner.

(a) In the event of (i) withdrawal of the General Partner under circumstances where such withdrawal does not violate this Agreement or (ii) removal of the General Partner by the holders of Outstanding Units under circumstances where Cause does not exist, if the successor General Partner is elected in accordance with the terms of Section 11.1 or Section 11.2, the Departing General Partner shall have the option, exercisable prior to the effective date of the departure of such Departing General Partner, to require its successor to purchase its General Partner Interest and its general partner interest (or equivalent interest), if any, in the other Group Members and all of the Incentive Distribution Rights (collectively, the "*Combined Interest*") in exchange for an amount in cash equal to the fair market value of such Combined Interest, such amount to be determined and payable as of the effective date of its departure. If the General Partner is removed by the Unitholders under circumstances where Cause exists or if the General Partner withdraws under circumstances where such withdrawal violates this Agreement, and if a successor General Partner is elected in accordance with the terms of Section 11.2 (or if the business of the Partnership is continued pursuant to Section 12.2 and the successor General Partner is not the former General Partner), such successor shall have the option, exercisable prior to the effective date of the departure of such Departing General Partner (or, in the event the business of the Partnership is continued, prior to the date the business of the Partnership is continued, prior to the date the business of the Partnership is continued, prior to the date the business of the Partnership is continued, prior to the date the business of the Partnership is continued),



to purchase the Combined Interest for such fair market value of such Combined Interest of the Departing General Partner. In either event, the Departing General Partner shall be entitled to receive all reimbursements due such Departing General Partner pursuant to Section 7.4, including any employee-related liabilities (including severance liabilities), incurred in connection with the termination of any employees employed by the Departing General Partner or its Affiliates (other than any Group Member) for the benefit of the Partnership or the other Group Members.

For purposes of this Section 11.3(a), the fair market value of the Departing General Partner's Combined Interest shall be determined by agreement between the Departing General Partner and its successor or, failing agreement within 30 days after the effective date of such Departing General Partner's departure, by an independent investment banking firm or other independent expert selected by the Departing General Partner and its successor, which, in turn, may rely on other experts, and the determination of which shall be conclusive as to such matter. If such parties cannot agree upon one independent investment banking firm or other independent expert within 45 days after the effective date of such departure, then the Departing General Partner shall designate an independent investment banking firm or other independent expert, the Departing General Partner's successor shall designate an independent investment banking firm or other independent expert, and such firms or experts shall mutually select a third independent investment banking firm or independent expert, which third independent investment banking firm or other independent expert shall determine the fair market value of the Combined Interest of the Departing General Partner. In making its determination, such third independent investment banking firm or other independent expert may consider the then current trading price of Units on any National Securities Exchange on which Units are then listed or admitted to trading, the value of the Partnership's assets, the rights and obligations of the Departing General Partner and other factors it may deem relevant.

(b) If the Combined Interest is not purchased in the manner set forth in Section 11.3(a), the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) shall become a Limited Partner and its Combined Interest shall be converted into Common Units pursuant to a valuation made by an investment banking firm or other independent expert selected pursuant to Section 11.3(a), without reduction in such Partnership Interest (but subject to proportionate dilution by reason of the admission of its successor). Any successor General Partner shall indemnify the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) as to all debts and liabilities of the Partnership arising on or after the date on which the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) becomes a Limited Partner. For purposes of this Agreement, conversion of the Combined Interest of the Departing General Partner to Common Units will be characterized as if the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) contributed its Combined Interest to the Partnership in exchange for the newly issued Common Units.

(c) If a successor General Partner is elected in accordance with the terms of Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 (or if the business of the Partnership is continued pursuant to Section 12.2 and the successor General Partner is not the former General Partner) and the option described in Section 11.3(a) is not exercised by the party entitled to do so, the successor General Partner shall, at the effective date of its admission to the Partnership, contribute to the Partnership cash in the amount equal to the product of (x) the quotient obtained by dividing (A) the Percentage

Interest of the General Partner Interest of the Departing General Partner by (B) a percentage equal to 100% less the Percentage Interest of the General Partner Interest of the Departing General Partner and (y) the Net Agreed Value of the Partnership's assets on such date. In such event, such successor General Partner shall, subject to the following sentence, be entitled to its Percentage Interest of all Partnership allocations and distributions to which the Departing General Partner was entitled in respect of its General Partner Interest. In addition, the successor General Partner shall cause this Agreement to be amended to reflect that, from and after the date of such successor General Partner's admission, the successor General Partner's interest in all Partnership distributions and allocations shall be its Percentage Interest.

Section 11.4 Termination of Subordination Period, Conversion of Subordinated Units and Extinguishment of Cumulative Common Unit Arrearages.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, if the General Partner is removed as general partner of the Partnership under circumstances where Cause does not exist and no Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates are voted in favor of such removal, (i) the Subordination Period will end and all Outstanding Subordinated Units will immediately and automatically convert into Common Units on a one-for-one basis (*provided, however*, that such converted Subordinated Units shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 5.5(c)(ii), Section 6.1(d)(xi) and Section 6.7(c)), (ii) all Cumulative Common Unit Arrearages on the Common Units will be extinguished and (iii) the General Partner that is so removed will have the right to convert its General Partner Interest and its Incentive Distribution Rights into Common Units or to receive cash in exchange therefor, as provided in Section 11.3.

Section 11.5 Withdrawal of Limited Partners.

No Limited Partner shall have any right to withdraw from the Partnership; *provided*, *however*, that when a transferee of a Limited Partner's Limited Partner Interest becomes a Record Holder of the Limited Partner Interest so transferred, such transferring Limited Partner shall cease to be a Limited Partner with respect to the Limited Partner Interest so transferred.

ARTICLE XII

DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

Section 12.1 Dissolution.

The Partnership shall not be dissolved by the admission of Substituted Limited Partners or Additional Limited Partners or by the admission of a successor General Partner in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Upon the removal or other event of withdrawal of the General Partner, if a successor General Partner is elected pursuant to Section 11.1, Section 11.2 or Section 12.2, the Partnership shall not be dissolved and such successor General Partner is hereby authorized to, and shall, continue the business of the Partnership. Subject to Section 12.2, the Partnership shall dissolve, and its affairs shall be wound up, upon:

(a) an Event of Withdrawal of the General Partner as provided in Section 11.1(a) (other than Section 11.1(a)(ii)), unless a successor is elected and an Opinion of Counsel is received

as provided in Section 11.1(b) or Section 11.2 and such successor is admitted to the Partnership pursuant to this Agreement;

- (b) an election to dissolve the Partnership by the General Partner that is approved by the holders of a Unit Majority;
- (c) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the Partnership pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act; or

(d) at any time there are no Limited Partners, unless the Partnership is continued without dissolution in accordance with the Delaware Act.

Section 12.2 Continuation of the Business of the Partnership.

Upon (a) an Event of Withdrawal caused by the withdrawal or removal of the General Partner as provided in Section 11.1(a)(i) or Section 11.1(a)(iii) and the failure of the Partners to select a successor to such Departing General Partner pursuant to Section 11.1 or Section 11.2, then within 90 days thereafter, or (b) an event constituting an Event of Withdrawal as defined in Section 11.1(a)(iv), Section 11.1(a)(v) or Section 11.1(a)(vi), then, to the maximum extent permitted by law, within 180 days thereafter, the holders of a Unit Majority may elect to continue the business of the Partnership without dissolution on the same terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement by appointing as a successor General Partner a Person approved by the holders of a Unit Majority. Unless such an election is made within the applicable time period as set forth above, the Partnership shall dissolve and conduct only activities necessary to wind up its affairs. If such an election is so made, then:

(i) the Partnership shall continue without dissolution unless dissolved in accordance with this Article XII;

(ii) if the successor General Partner is not the former General Partner, then the interest of the former General Partner shall be treated in the manner provided in Section 11.3; and

(iii) the successor General Partner shall be admitted to the Partnership as General Partner, effective as of the Event of Withdrawal, by agreeing in writing to be bound by this Agreement; *provided*, that the right of the holders of a Unit Majority to approve a successor General Partner and to continue the business of the Partnership shall not exist and may not be exercised unless the Partnership has received an Opinion of Counsel that (x) the exercise of the right would not result in the loss of limited liability of any Limited Partner and (y) neither the Partnership nor any Group Member would be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise be taxable as an entity for federal income tax purposes upon the exercise of such right to continue (to the extent not already so treated or taxed).

Section 12.3 Liquidator.

Upon dissolution of the Partnership, the General Partner shall select one or more Persons to act as Liquidator. The Liquidator (if other than the General Partner) shall be entitled to receive



such compensation for its services as may be approved by holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units, and Subordinated Units voting as a single class. The Liquidator (if other than the General Partner) shall agree not to resign at any time without 15 days' prior notice and may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by notice of removal approved by holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units, and Subordinated Units voting as a single class. Upon dissolution, removal or resignation of the Liquidator, a successor and substitute Liquidator (who shall have and succeed to all rights, powers and duties of the original Liquidator) shall within 30 days thereafter be approved by holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Common Units and Subordinated Units voting as a single class. The right to approve a successor or substitute Liquidator in the manner provided herein shall be deemed to refer also to any such successor or substitute Liquidator approved in the manner herein provided. Except as expressly provided in this Article XII, the Liquidator approved in the manner provided herein shall have and may exercise, without further authorization or consent of any of the parties hereto, all of the powers conferred upon the General Partner under the terms of this Agreement (but subject to all of the applicable limitations, contractual and otherwise, upon the exercise of such powers, other than the limitation on sale set forth in Section 7.3) necessary or appropriate to carry out the duties and functions of the Liquidator hereunder for and during the period of time required to complete the winding up and liquidation of the Partnership as provided for herein.

Section 12.4 Liquidation.

The Liquidator shall proceed to dispose of the assets of the Partnership, discharge its liabilities, and otherwise wind up its affairs in such manner and over such period as determined by the Liquidator, subject to Section 17-804 of the Delaware Act and the following:

(a) The assets may be disposed of by public or private sale or by distribution in kind to one or more Partners on such terms as the Liquidator and such Partner or Partners may agree. If any property is distributed in kind, the Partner receiving the property shall be deemed for purposes of Section 12.4(c) to have received cash equal to its fair market value; and contemporaneously therewith, appropriate cash distributions must be made to the other Partners. The Liquidator may defer liquidation or distribution of the Partnership's assets for a reasonable time if it determines that an immediate sale or distribution of all or some of the Partnership's assets would be impractical or would cause undue loss to the Partners. The Liquidator may distribute the Partnership's assets, in whole or in part, in kind if it determines that a sale would be impractical or would cause undue loss to the Partners.

(b) Liabilities of the Partnership include amounts owed to the Liquidator as compensation for serving in such capacity (subject to the terms of Section 12.3) and amounts to Partners otherwise than in respect of their distribution rights under Article VI. With respect to any liability that is contingent, conditional or unmatured or is otherwise not yet due and payable, the Liquidator shall either settle such claim for such amount as it thinks appropriate or establish a reserve of cash or other assets to provide for its payment.

(c) All property and all cash in excess of that required to discharge liabilities as provided in Section 12.4(b) shall be distributed to the Partners in accordance with, and to the extent of, the positive balances in their respective Capital Accounts, as determined after taking into

account all Capital Account adjustments (other than those made by reason of distributions pursuant to this Section 12.4(c)) for the taxable year of the Partnership during which the liquidation of the Partnership occurs (with such date of occurrence being determined pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(i)(g)), and such distribution shall be made by the end of such taxable year (or, if later, within 90 days after said date of such occurrence).

Section 12.5 Cancellation of Certificate of Limited Partnership.

Upon the completion of the distribution of Partnership cash and property as provided in Section 12.4 in connection with the liquidation of the Partnership, the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all qualifications of the Partnership as a foreign limited partnership in jurisdictions other than the State of Delaware shall be canceled and such other actions as may be necessary to terminate the Partnership shall be taken.

Section 12.6 Return of Contributions.

The General Partner shall not be personally liable for, and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Partnership to enable it to effectuate, the return of the Capital Contributions of the Limited Partners or Unitholders, or any portion thereof, it being expressly understood that any such return shall be made solely from Partnership assets.

Section 12.7 Waiver of Partition.

To the maximum extent permitted by law, each Partner hereby waives any right to partition of the Partnership property.

Section 12.8 Capital Account Restoration.

No Limited Partner shall have any obligation to restore any negative balance in its Capital Account upon liquidation of the Partnership. The General Partner shall be obligated to restore any negative balance in its Capital Account upon liquidation of its interest in the Partnership by the end of the taxable year of the Partnership during which such liquidation occurs, or, if later, within 90 days after the date of such liquidation.

Section 12.9 Class B Conversion Rights.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, the holders of the Class B Units shall have the rights set forth in Section 5.12(b)(iv) upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Partnership pursuant to this Article VII.

ARTICLE XIII

AMENDMENT OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT; MEETINGS; RECORD DATE

Section 13.1 Amendments to be Adopted Solely by the General Partner.

Each Partner agrees that the General Partner, without the approval of any Partner or Assignee,

may amend any provision of this Agreement and execute, swear to, acknowledge, deliver, file and record whatever documents may be required in connection therewith, to reflect:

(a) a change in the name of the Partnership, the location of the principal place of business of the Partnership, the registered agent of the Partnership or the registered office of the Partnership;

(b) the admission, substitution, withdrawal or removal of Partners in accordance with this Agreement;

(c) a change that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate to qualify or continue the qualification of the Partnership as a limited partnership or a partnership in which the Limited Partners have limited liability under the laws of any state or to ensure that the Group Members will not be treated as associations taxable as corporations or otherwise taxed as entities for federal income tax purposes;

(d) a change that the General Partner determines, (i) does not adversely affect in any material respect the Limited Partners considered as a whole or any particular class of Partnership Interests as compared to other classes of Partnership Interests, (ii) to be necessary or appropriate to (A) satisfy any requirements, conditions or guidelines contained in any opinion, directive, order, ruling or regulation of any federal or state agency or judicial authority or contained in any federal or state statute (including the Delaware Act) or (B) facilitate the trading of the Units (including the division of any class or classes of Outstanding Units into different classes to facilitate uniformity of comply with any rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are or will be listed or admitted to trading, (iii) to be necessary or appropriate in connection with action taken by the General Partner pursuant to Section 5.9 or (iv) is required to effect the intent expressed in the Registration Statement or the intent of the provisions of this Agreement;

(e) a change in the fiscal year or taxable year of the Partnership and any other changes that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate as a result of a change in the fiscal year or taxable year of the Partnership including, if the General Partner shall so determine, a change in the definition of "Quarter" and the dates on which distributions are to be made by the Partnership;

(f) an amendment that is necessary, in the Opinion of Counsel, to prevent the Partnership, or the General Partner or its directors, officers, trustees or agents from in any manner being subjected to the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, or "plan asset" regulations adopted under ERISA, regardless of whether such are substantially similar to plan asset regulations currently applied or proposed by the United States Department of Labor;

(g) an amendment that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with the creation or authorization or issuance of any class or series of Partnership Securities pursuant to Section 5.6;

(h) any amendment expressly permitted in this Agreement to be made by the General Partner acting alone;

(i) an amendment effected, necessitated or contemplated by a Merger Agreement approved in accordance with Section 14.3 including any amendment permitted by Section 14.5;

(j) an amendment that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate to reflect and account for the formation by the Partnership of, or investment by the Partnership in, any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other entity, in connection with the conduct by the Partnership of activities permitted by the terms of Section 2.4;

- (k) a merger or conveyance pursuant to Section 14.3(d); or
- (1) any other amendments substantially similar to the foregoing.

Section 13.2 Amendment Procedures.

Except as provided in Section 13.1 and Section 13.3, all amendments to this Agreement shall be made in accordance with the following requirements. Amendments to this Agreement may be proposed only by the General Partner; *provided, however*, that, to the full extent permitted by law, the General Partner shall have no duty or obligation to propose any amendment to this Agreement and may decline to do so free of any fiduciary duty or obligation whatsoever to the Partnership, any Limited Partner or Assignee and, in declining to propose an amendment, to the fullest extent permitted by law shall not be required to act in good faith or pursuant to any other standard imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, any other agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity. A proposed amendment shall be effective upon its approval by the General Partner and the holders of a Unit Majority, unless a greater or different percentage is required under this Agreement or by Delaware law. The General Partner shall notify all Record Holders upon final adoption of any such proposed amendments.

Section 13.3 Amendment

Requirements.

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 13.1 and Section 13.2, no provision of this Agreement that requires the vote, consent or approval of holders of a percentage of Outstanding Units (including Units deemed owned by the General Partner) required to take any action shall be amended, altered, changed, repealed or rescinded in any respect that would have the effect of reducing such voting percentage unless such amendment is approved by the written consent or the affirmative vote of holders of Outstanding Units whose aggregate Outstanding Units constitute not less than the voting requirement sought to be reduced.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 13.1 and Section 13.2, no amendment to this Agreement may (i) enlarge the obligations of any Limited Partner without its consent, unless such shall be deemed to have occurred as a result of an amendment approved pursuant to Section 13.3(c) or (ii) enlarge the obligations of, restrict in any way any action by or rights of, or reduce in any way the amounts distributable, reimbursable or otherwise payable to, the General Partner

or any of its Affiliates without its consent, which consent may be given or withheld at its option.

(c) Except as provided in Section 14.3, and without limitation of the General Partner's authority to adopt amendments to this Agreement without the approval of any Partners or Assignees as contemplated in Section 13.1, any amendment that would have a material adverse effect on the rights or preferences of any class of Partnership Interests in relation to other classes of Partnership Interests must be approved by the holders of not less than a majority of the Outstanding Partnership Interests of the class affected.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, except for amendments pursuant to Section 13.1 and except as otherwise provided by Section 14.3(b), no amendments shall become effective without the approval of the holders of at least 90% of the Outstanding Limited Partner Units voting as a single class unless the Partnership obtains an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such amendment will not affect the limited liability of any Limited Partner under applicable law.

(e) Except as provided in Section 13.1, this Section 13.3 shall only be amended with the approval of the holders of at least 90% of the Outstanding Limited Partner Units.

Section 13.4 Special Meetings.

All acts of Limited Partners to be taken pursuant to this Agreement shall be taken in the manner provided in this Article XIII. Special meetings of the Limited Partners may be called by the General Partner or by Limited Partners owning 20% or more of the Outstanding Limited Partner Units of the class or classes for which a meeting is proposed. Limited Partners shall call a special meeting by delivering to the General Partner one or more requests in writing stating that the signing Limited Partners wish to call a special meeting and indicating the general or specific purposes for which the special meeting is to be called. Within 60 days after receipt of such a call from Limited Partners or within such greater time as may be reasonably necessary for the Partnership to comply with any statutes, rules, regulations, listing agreements or similar requirements governing the holding of a meeting or the solicitation of proxies for use at such a meeting shall be held at a time and place determined by the General Partner on a date not less than 10 days nor more than 60 days after the mailing of notice of the meeting. Limited Partners shall not vote on matters that would cause the Limited Partners to be deemed to be taking part in the management and control of the business and affairs of the Partnership so as to jeopardize the Limited Partners' limited liability under the Delaware Act or the law of any other state in which the Partnership is qualified to do business.

Section 13.5 Notice of a Meeting.

Notice of a meeting called pursuant to Section 13.4 shall be given to the Record Holders of the class or classes of Units for which a meeting is proposed in writing by mail or other means of written communication in accordance with Section 16.1 at least 10 days in advance of such meeting. The notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time when deposited in the mail or sent by other means of written communication.

Section 13.6 *Record Date.*

For purposes of determining the Limited Partners entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the Limited Partners or to give approvals without a meeting as provided in Section 13.11 the General Partner may set a Record Date, which shall not be less than 10 nor more than 60 days before (a) the date of the meeting (unless such requirement conflicts with any rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading, in which case the rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of such National Securities Exchange shall govern) or (b) in the event that approvals are sought without a meeting, the date by which Limited Partners are requested in writing by the General Partner to give such approvals. If the General Partner does not set a Record Date, then (a) the Record Date for determining the Limited Partners entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the Limited Partners shall be the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which notice is given, and (b) the Record Date for determining the Limited Partners entitled to give approvals without a meeting shall be the date the first written approval is deposited with the Partnership in care of the General Partner in accordance with Section 13.11.

Section 13.7 Adjournment.

When a meeting is adjourned to another time or place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting and a new Record Date need not be fixed, if the time and place thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, unless such adjournment shall be for more than 45 days. At the adjourned meeting, the Partnership may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than 45 days or if a new Record Date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given in accordance with this Article XIII.

Section 13.8 Waiver of Notice; Approval of Meeting; Approval of Minutes.

The transactions of any meeting of Limited Partners, however called and noticed, and whenever held, shall be as valid as if it had occurred at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum is present either in person or by proxy. Attendance of a Limited Partner at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting, except when the Limited Partner attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened; and except that attendance at a meeting is not a waiver of any right to disapprove the consideration of matters required to be included in the notice of the meeting, but not so included, if the disapproval is expressly made at the meeting.

Section 13.9 Quorum and Voting.

The holders of a majority of the Outstanding Units of the class or classes for which a meeting has been called (including Outstanding Units of such class or classes deemed owned by the General Partner, and calculating the Class B Units on an as-converted basis) represented in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of Limited Partners of such class or classes unless any



such action by the Limited Partners requires approval by holders of a greater percentage of such Units, in which case the quorum shall be such greater percentage. At any meeting of the Limited Partners duly called and held in accordance with this Agreement at which a quorum is present, the act of Limited Partners holding Outstanding Units that in the aggregate represent a majority of the Outstanding Units entitled to vote and be present in person or by proxy at such meeting shall be deemed to constitute the act of all Limited Partners, unless a greater or different percentage is required with respect to such action under the provisions of this Agreement, in which case the act of the Limited Partners holding Outstanding Units that in the aggregate represent at least such greater or different percentage shall be required. The Limited Partners present at a duly called or held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Limited Partners to leave less than a quorum, if any action taken (other than adjournment) is approved by the required percentage of Outstanding Units specified in this Agreement (including Outstanding Units deemed owned by the General Partner). In the absence of a quorum, any meeting of Limited Partners may be adjourned from time to time by the affirmative vote of holders of at least a majority of the Outstanding Units entitled to vote at such meeting (including Outstanding Units deemed owned by the General Partner) represented either in person or by proxy, but no other business may be transacted, except as provided in Section 13.7.

Section 13.10 Conduct of a Meeting.

The General Partner shall have full power and authority concerning the manner of conducting any meeting of the Limited Partners or solicitation of approvals in writing, including the determination of Persons entitled to vote, the existence of a quorum, the satisfaction of the requirements of Section 13.4, the conduct of voting, the validity and effect of any proxies and the determination of any controversies, votes or challenges arising in connection with or during the meeting or voting. The General Partner shall designate a Person to serve as chairman of any meeting and shall further designate a Person to take the minutes of any meeting. All minutes shall be kept with the records of the Partnership maintained by the General Partner. The General Partner may make such other regulations consistent with applicable law and this Agreement as it may deem advisable concerning the conduct of any meeting of the Limited Partners or solicitation of approvals in writing, including regulations in regard to the appointment of proxies, the appointment and duties of inspectors of votes and approvals, the submission and examination of proxies and other evidence of the right to vote, and the revocation of approvals in writing.

Section 13.11 Action Without a Meeting.

If authorized by the General Partner, any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Limited Partners may be taken without a meeting, without a vote and without prior notice if an approval in writing setting forth the action so taken is signed by Limited Partners owning not less than the minimum percentage of the Outstanding Units (including Units deemed owned by the General Partner) that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all the Limited Partners were present and voted (unless such provision conflicts with any rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading, in which case the rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of such National Securities Exchange shall govern). Prompt notice of the taking of action without a meeting shall

be given to the Limited Partners who have not approved in writing. The General Partner may specify that any written ballot submitted to Limited Partners for the purpose of taking any action without a meeting shall be returned to the Partnership within the time period, which shall be not less than 20 days, specified by the General Partner. If a ballot returned to the Partnership does not vote all of the Units held by the Limited Partners, the Partnership shall be deemed to have failed to receive a ballot for the Units that were not voted. If approval of the taking of any action by the Limited Partners is solicited by any Person other than by or on behalf of the General Partner, the written approvals shall have no force and effect unless and until (a) they are deposited with the Partnership in care of the General Partner, (b) approvals sufficient to take the action proposed are dated as of a date not more than 90 days prior to the date sufficient approvals are deposited with the Partnership and (c) an Opinion of Counsel is delivered to the General Partner to the effect that the exercise of such right and the action proposed to be taken with respect to any particular matter (i) will not cause the Limited Partners to be deemed to be taking part in the management and control of the business and affairs of the Partnership so as to jeopardize the Limited Partners' limited liability, and (ii) is otherwise permissible under the state statutes then governing the rights, duties and liabilities of the Partnership and the Partners.

Section 13.12 *Right to Vote and Related Matters.*

(a) Only those Record Holders of the Units on the Record Date set pursuant to Section 13.6 (and also subject to the limitations contained in the definition of "*Outstanding*") shall be entitled to notice of, and to vote at, a meeting of Limited Partners or to act with respect to matters as to which the holders of the Outstanding Units have the right to vote or to act. All references in this Agreement to votes of, or other acts that may be taken by, the Outstanding Units shall be deemed to be references to the votes or acts of the Record Holders of such Outstanding Units.

(b) With respect to Units that are held for a Person's account by another Person (such as a broker, dealer, bank, trust company or clearing corporation, or an agent of any of the foregoing), in whose name such Units are registered, such other Person shall, in exercising the voting rights in respect of such Units on any matter, and unless the arrangement between such Persons provides otherwise, vote such Units in favor of, and at the direction of, the Person who is the beneficial owner, and the Partnership shall be entitled to assume it is so acting without further inquiry. The provisions of this Section 13.12(b) (as well as all other provisions of this Agreement) are subject to the provisions of Section 4.3.

ARTICLE XIV

MERGER, CONSOLIDATION OR CONVERSION

Section 14.1 *Authority*.

The Partnership may merge or consolidate with or into one or more corporations, limited liability companies, statutory trusts or associations, real estate investment trusts, common law trusts or unincorporated businesses, including a partnership (whether general or limited (including a limited liability partnership or a limited liability limited partnership)) or convert into any such entity,

formed under the laws of the State of Delaware or any other state of the United States of America, pursuant to a written agreement of merger or consolidation ("Merger Agreement") or plan of conversion ("Plan of Conversion") in accordance with this Article XIV.

Section 14.2 Procedure for Merger, Consolidation or Conversion.

(a) Merger, consolidation or conversion of the Partnership pursuant to this Article XIV requires the prior consent of the General Partner; *provided, however*, that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the General Partner shall have no duty or obligation to consent to any merger, consolidation or conversion of the Partnership and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, may decline to do so free of any duty (including fiduciary duty) or obligation whatsoever to the Partnership, any Limited Partner or Assignee and, in declining to consent to a merger, consolidation or conversion, shall not be required to act in good faith or pursuant to any other standard imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, any other agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity.

(b) If the General Partner shall determine to consent to the merger or consolidation, the General Partner shall approve the Merger Agreement, which shall set forth:

(i) the names and jurisdictions of formation or organization of each of the business entities proposing to merge or consolidate;

(ii) the name and jurisdiction of formation or organization of the business entity that is to survive the proposed merger or consolidation (the *"Surviving Business Entity"*);

(iii) the terms and conditions of the proposed merger or consolidation;

(iv) the manner and basis of exchanging or converting the equity securities of each constituent business entity for, or into, cash, property or interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity; and (i) if any general or limited partner interests, securities or rights of any constituent business entity are not to be exchanged or converted solely for, or into, cash, property or interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity, the cash, property or general or limited partner interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity, the cash, property or general or limited partner interests, rights, securities or obligations of any general or limited partnership, corporation, trust, limited liability company, unincorporated business or other entity (other than the Surviving Business Entity) which the holders of such interests, securities or rights are to receive in exchange for, or upon conversion of, their interests, securities or rights, and (ii) in the case of securities represented by certificates, upon the surviving Business Entity or any general or limited partnership, corporation, trust, limited liability company, unincorporated business or other entity (other than the Surviving Business Entity or any general or limited partnership, corporation, trust, limited liability company, unincorporated business or other entity (other than the Surviving Business Entity), or evidences thereof, are to be delivered;

(v) a statement of any changes in the constituent documents or the adoption of new constituent documents (the articles or certificate of incorporation, articles of trust, declaration of trust, certificate or agreement of limited partnership, certificate of formation, limited liability company agreement or other similar charter or governing document) of the

Surviving Business Entity to be effected by such merger or consolidation;

(vi) the effective time of the merger, which may be the date of the filing of the certificate of merger pursuant to Section 14.4 or a later date specified in or determinable in accordance with the Merger Agreement (*provided*, that if the effective time of the merger is to be later than the date of the filing of such certificate of merger, the effective time shall be fixed at a date or time certain at or prior to the time of the filing of such certificate of merger and stated therein); and

(vii) such other provisions with respect to the proposed merger or consolidation that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate.

(c) If the General Partner shall determine to conversion of the Partnership, the General Partner shall approve the Plan of Conversion, which shall set forth:

(i) the name of the converting entity and the converted entity;

(ii) a statement that the Partnership is continuing its existence in the organizational form of the converted entity;

(iii) a statement as to the type of entity that the converted entity is to be and the state or country under the laws of which the converted entity is to be incorporated, formed or organized;

(iv) the manner and basis of exchanging or converting the equity securities of the converting entity for, or into, cash, property or interests, rights, securities or obligations of the converted entity;

(v) in an attachment or exhibit, the articles or certificate of incorporation, articles of trust, declaration of trust, certificate or agreement of limited partnership, certificate of formation, limited liability company agreement or other similar charter or governing documents of the converted entity;

(vi) the effective time of the conversion, which may be the date of the filing of the certificate of conversion pursuant to Section 14.4 or a later date specified in or determinable in accordance with the Plan of Conversion (*provided*, that if the effective time of the conversion is to be later than the date of the filing of such certificate of conversion, the effective time shall be fixed at a date or time certain at or prior to the time of the filing of such certificate of conversion and stated therein); and

(vii) such other provisions with respect to the proposed conversion that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate.

(d) In addition to any other consent required pursuant to this Article XIV, for so long as at least 25% of the Purchaser Class B Units remain outstanding as Class B Units, any Significant Event requires the prior consent of a majority of the Purchaser Directors.

Section 14.3 Approval by Limited Partners of Merger, Consolidation or Conversion.

(a) Except as provided in Section 14.3(d) and Section 14.3(e), the General Partner, upon its approval of the Merger Agreement or the Plan of Conversion and the merger, consolidation or conversion contemplated thereby, as the case may be, shall direct that the Merger Agreement or the Plan of Conversion and the merger, consolidation or conversion contemplated thereby, as the case may be, be submitted to a vote of Limited Partners, whether at a special meeting or by written consent, in either case in accordance with the requirements of Article XIII. A copy or a summary of the Merger Agreement or the Plan of Conversion, as the case may be, shall be included in or enclosed with the notice of a special meeting or the written consent.

(b) Except as provided in Section 14.3(d) and Section 14.3(e), the Merger Agreement or the Plan of Conversion, as the case may be, and the merger, consolidation or conversion contemplated thereby, shall be approved upon receiving the affirmative vote or consent of the holders of a Unit Majority.

(c) Except as provided in Section 14.3(d) and Section 14.3(e), after such approval by vote or consent of the Limited Partners, and at any time prior to the filing of the certificate of merger or certificate of conversion pursuant to Section 14.4, the merger, consolidation or conversion may be abandoned pursuant to provisions therefor, if any, set forth in the Merger Agreement or the Plan of Conversion, as the case may be.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained in this Article XIV or in this Agreement, the General Partner is permitted, without Limited Partner approval, to convert the Partnership or any Group Member into a new limited liability entity, to merge the Partnership or any Group Member into, or convey all of the Partnership's assets to, another limited liability entity which shall be newly formed and shall have no assets, liabilities or operations at the time of such conversion, merger or conveyance other than those it receives from the Partnership or other Group Member if (i) the General Partner has received an Opinion of Counsel that the conversion, merger or conveyance, as the case may be, would not result in the loss of the limited liability of any Limited Partner or cause the Partnership to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise to be taxed as an entity for federal income tax purposes (to the extent not previously treated as such), (ii) the sole purpose of such conversion, merger or conveyance is to effect a mere change in the legal form of the Partnership into another limited liability entity and (iii) the governing instruments of the new entity provide the Limited Partners and the General Partner with substantially the same rights and obligations as are herein contained.

(e) Additionally, notwithstanding anything else contained in this Article XIV or in this Agreement, the General Partner is permitted, without Limited Partner approval, to merge or consolidate the Partnership with or into another entity if (A) the General Partner has received an Opinion of Counsel that the merger or consolidation, as the case may be, would not result in the loss of the limited liability of any Limited Partner or cause the Partnership to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise to be taxed as an entity for federal income tax purposes (to the extent not previously treated as such), (B) the merger or consolidation would not result in an amendment to the Partnership Agreement, other than any amendments

that could be adopted pursuant to Section 13.1, (C) the Partnership is the Surviving Business Entity in such merger or consolidation, (D) each Unit Outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of the merger or consolidation is to be an identical Unit of the Partnership after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, and (E) the number of Partnership Securities to be issued by the Partnership in such merger or consolidation do not exceed 20% of the Partnership Securities Outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of such merger or consolidation.

Section 14.4 Certificate of Merger; Certificate of Conversion.

Upon the required approval by the General Partner and the Unitholders of a Merger Agreement or the Plan of Conversion, as the case may be, and the merger, consolidation or conversion contemplated thereby, a certificate of merger or certificate of conversion shall be executed and filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in conformity with the requirements of the Delaware Act.

Section 14.5 Amendment of Partnership Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 17-211(g) of the Delaware Act, an agreement of merger or consolidation approved in accordance with this Article XIV may (a) effect any amendment to this Agreement or (b) effect the adoption of a new partnership agreement for the Partnership if it is the Surviving Business Entity. Any such amendment or adoption made pursuant to this Section 14.5 shall be effective at the effective time or date of the merger or consolidation.

Section 14.6 Effect of Merger, Consolidation or Conversion.

(a) At the effective time of the certificate of merger:

(i) all of the rights, privileges and powers of each of the business entities that has merged or consolidated, and all property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due to any of those business entities and all other things and causes of action belonging to each of those business entities, shall be vested in the Surviving Business Entity and after the merger or consolidation shall be the property of the Surviving Business Entity to the extent they were of each constituent business entity;

(ii) the title to any real property vested by deed or otherwise in any of those constituent business entities shall not revert and is not in any way impaired because of the merger or consolidation;

(iii) all rights of creditors and all liens on or security interests in property of any of those constituent business entities shall be preserved unimpaired; and

(iv) all debts, liabilities and duties of those constituent business entities shall attach to the Surviving Business Entity and may be enforced against it to the same extent as if the debts, liabilities and duties had been incurred or contracted by it.

(b) At the effective time of the certificate of conversion, the nature and characteristics

of the converted entity will be determined by the Plan of Conversion, applicable laws of the State of Delaware and the laws of the jurisdiction to which the Partnership is converted.

(c) A merger, consolidation or conversion effected pursuant to this Article shall not be deemed to result in a transfer or assignment of assets or liabilities from one entity to another.

Section 14.7	Business	Combination
	Limitations.	

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, with respect to any "Business Combination" (as such term is defined in Section 203 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, 8 Del. C. Section 101, et seq. (the "DGCL"), the provisions of Section 203 of the DGCL shall be applied with respect to the Partnership as though (i) the Partnership is a Delaware corporation subject to Section 203 of the DGCL, (ii) the General Partner is the board of directors of such corporation, and (iii) the holders of Limited Partner Interests are stockholders of such corporation and the Limited Partner Interests are shares of stock and voting stock in such corporation.

(b) Amendments to, or actions to repeal or adopt provisions inconsistent with, Section 14.7(a) shall require the approval of the Unitholders holding at least $66\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Outstanding Limited Partner Units (including Limited Partner Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates).

(c) Neither the General Partner nor any of its Affiliates shall be considered an "interested stockholder" under Section 203 of the DGCL for purposes of this Section 14.7.

ARTICLE XV

RIGHT TO ACQUIRE LIMITED PARTNER INTERESTS

Section 15.1 *Right to Acquire Limited Partner Interests.*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if at any time the General Partner and its Affiliates hold more than 80% of the total Limited Partner Interests of any class then Outstanding, the General Partner shall then have the right, which right it may assign and transfer in whole or in part to the Partnership or any Affiliate of the General Partner, exercisable at its option, to purchase all, but not less than all, of such Limited Partner Interests of such class then Outstanding held by Persons other than the General Partner and its Affiliates, at the greater of (x) the Current Market Price as of the date three days prior to the date that the notice described in Section 15.1(b) is mailed and (y) the highest price paid by the General Partner or any of its Affiliates for any such Limited Partner Interest of such class purchased during the 90-day period preceding the date that the notice described in Section 15.1(b) is mailed.

(b) If the General Partner, any Affiliate of the General Partner or the Partnership elects to exercise the right to purchase Limited Partner Interests granted pursuant to Section 15.1(a), the General Partner shall deliver to the Transfer Agent notice of such election to purchase (the "*Notice of Election to Purchase*") and shall cause the Transfer Agent to mail a copy of such Notice of Election to Purchase to the Record Holders of Limited Partner Interests of such class

or classes (as of a Record Date selected by the General Partner) at least 10, but not more than 60, days prior to the Purchase Date. Such Notice of Election to Purchase shall also be published for a period of at least three consecutive days in at least two daily newspapers of general circulation printed in the English language and published in the Borough of Manhattan, New York. The Notice of Election to Purchase shall specify the Purchase Date and the price (determined in accordance with Section 15.1(a)) at which Limited Partner Interests will be purchased and state that the General Partner, its Affiliate or the Partnership, as the case may be, elects to purchase such Limited Partner Interests, upon surrender of Certificates representing such Limited Partner Interests in exchange for payment, at such office or offices of the Transfer Agent as the Transfer Agent may specify, or as may be required by any National Securities Exchange on which such Limited Partner Interests are listed. Any such Notice of Election to Purchase mailed to a Record Holder of Limited Partner Interests at his address as reflected in the records of the Transfer Agent shall be conclusively presumed to have been given regardless of whether the owner receives such notice. On or prior to the Purchase Date, the General Partner, its Affiliate or the Partnership, as the case may be, shall deposit with the Transfer Agent cash in an amount sufficient to pay the aggregate purchase price of all of such Limited Partner Interests to be purchased in accordance with this Section 15.1. If the Notice of Election to Purchase shall have been duly given as aforesaid at least 10 days prior to the Purchase Date, and if on or prior to the Purchase, all rights of the holders of such Limited Partner Interests (including any rights pursuant to Articles IV, V, VI, and XII) shall thereupon cease, except the right to receive the purchase price (determined in accordance with Section 15.1(a)) for Limited Partner Interests therefor, without interest, upon surrender to t

(c) At any time from and after the Purchase Date, a holder of an Outstanding Limited Partner Interest subject to purchase as provided in this Section 15.1 may surrender his Certificate evidencing such Limited Partner Interest to the Transfer Agent in exchange for payment of the amount described in Section 15.1(a) therefor without interest thereon.

ARTICLE XVI

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 16.1 *Addresses and Notices.*

Any notice, demand, request, report or proxy materials required or permitted to be given or made to a Partner or Assignee under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed given or made when delivered in person or when sent by first class United States mail or by other means of written communication to the Partner or Assignee at the address described below. Any notice, payment or report to be given or made to a Partner or Assignee hereunder shall be deemed conclusively to have been given or made, and the obligation to give such notice or report or to make such payment shall be deemed conclusively to have been fully satisfied, upon sending of such notice, payment or report to the Record Holder of such Partnership Securities at his address as shown on the records of the Transfer Agent or as otherwise shown on the records of the Partnership, regardless of any claim of any Person who may have an interest in such Partnership Securities by reason of any assignment or otherwise. An affidavit or certificate of making of any notice, payment or report in accordance with the provisions of this Section 16.1 executed by the General Partner, the Transfer Agent or the mailing organization shall be prima facie evidence of the giving or making of such notice, payment or report. If any notice, payment or report addressed to a Record Holder at the address of such Record Holder appearing on the books and records of the Transfer Agent or the Partnership is returned by the United States Postal Service marked to indicate that the United States Postal Service is unable to deliver it, such notice, payment or report and any subsequent notices, payments and reports shall be deemed to have been duly given or made without further mailing (until such time as such Record Holder or another Person notifies the Transfer Agent or the Partnership of a change in his address) if they are available for the Partner or Assignee at the principal office of the Partnership for a period of one year from the date of the giving or making of such notice, payment or report to the other Partners and Assignees. Any notice to the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership designated pursuant to Section 2.3. The General Partner may rely and shall be protected in relying on any notice or other document from a Partner, Assignee or other Person if believed by it to be genuine.

Section 16.2 Further Action.

The parties shall execute and deliver all documents, provide all information and take or refrain from taking action as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Agreement.

Section 16.3 *Binding Effect*.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, legal representatives and permitted assigns.



Section 16.4 Integration.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings pertaining thereto.

Section 16.5 Creditors.

None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of, or shall be enforceable by, any creditor of the Partnership.

Section 16.6 Waiver.

No failure by any party to insist upon the strict performance of any covenant, duty, agreement or condition of this Agreement or to exercise any right or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof shall constitute waiver of any such breach of any other covenant, duty, agreement or condition.

Section 16.7 Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, all of which together shall constitute an agreement binding on all the parties hereto, notwithstanding that all such parties are not signatories to the original or the same counterpart. Each party shall become bound by this Agreement immediately upon affixing its signature hereto or, in the case of a Person acquiring a Unit, upon accepting the certificate evidencing such Unit or executing and delivering a Transfer Application as herein described, independently of the signature of any other party.

Section 16.8 Applicable Law.

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

Section 16.9 Invalidity of Provisions.

If any provision of this Agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not be affected thereby.

Section 16.10 Consent of Partners.

Each Partner hereby expressly consents and agrees that, whenever in this Agreement it is specified that an action may be taken upon the affirmative vote or consent of less than all of the Partners, such action may be so taken upon the concurrence of less than all of the Partners and each Partner shall be bound by the results of such action.

Section 16.11 *Facsimile Signatures.*

The use of facsimile signatures affixed in the name and on behalf of the transfer agent and registrar of the Partnership on certificates representing Common Units is expressly permitted by

this Agreement.

Section 16.12 *Third* Party Beneficiaries.

Each Partner agrees that any Indemnitee shall be entitled to assert rights and remedies hereunder as a third-party beneficiary hereto with respect to those provisions of this Agreement affording a right, benefit or privilege to such Indemnitee.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

GENERAL PARTNER:

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC

By:

Name: Meg A. Gentle Title: Chief Financial Officer

LIMITED PARTNERS:

All Limited Partners now and hereafter admitted as Limited Partners of the Partnership, pursuant to powers of attorney now and hereafter executed in favor of, and granted and delivered to the General Partner.

Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC

By:

Name: Meg A. Gentle Title: Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT A to the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

Certificate Evidencing Common Units Representing Limited Partner Interests in Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

No. _____ Common Units

In accordance with Section 4.1 of the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time (the "*Partnership Agreement*"), Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), hereby certifies that _______ (the "*Holder*") is the registered owner of Common Units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "*Common Units*") transferable on the books of the Partnership, in person or by duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of this Certificate properly endorsed and accompanied by a properly executed application for transfer of the Common Units represented by this Certificate. The rights, preferences and limitations of the Common Units are set forth in, and this Certificate and the Common Units represented hereby are issued and shall in all respects be subject to the terms and provisions of, the Partnership Agreement. Copies of the Partnership Agreement are on file at, and will be furnished without charge on delivery of written request to the Partnership at, the principal office of the Partnership located at 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meanings given them in the Partnership Agreement.

The Holder, by accepting this Certificate, is deemed to have (i) requested admission as, and agreed to become, a Limited Partner and to have agreed to comply with and be bound by and to have executed the Partnership Agreement, (ii) represented and warranted that the Holder has all right, power and authority and, if an individual, the capacity necessary to enter into the Partnership Agreement, (iii) granted the powers of attorney provided for in the Partnership Agreement and (iv) made the waivers and given the consents and approvals contained in the Partnership Agreement.

THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY ACKNOWLEDGES FOR THE BENEFIT OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. THAT THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED IF SUCH TRANSFER WOULD (A) VIOLATE THE THEN APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS OR RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY WITH JURISDICTION OVER SUCH TRANSFER, (B) TERMINATE THE EXISTENCE OR QUALIFICATION OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, OR (C) CAUSE CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. TO BE TREATED AS AN ASSOCIATION TAXABLE AS A CORPORATION OR OTHERWISE TO BE TAXED AS AN ENTITY FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES (TO THE EXTENT NOT ALREADY SO TREATED OR TAXED). CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC, THE

GENERAL PARTNER OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P., MAY IMPOSE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IF IT RECEIVES AN OPINION OF COUNSEL THAT SUCH RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY TO AVOID A SIGNIFICANT RISK OF CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. BECOMING TAXABLE AS A CORPORATION OR OTHERWISE BECOMING TAXABLE AS AN ENTITY FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH ABOVE SHALL NOT PRECLUDE THE SETTLEMENT OF ANY TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THIS SECURITY ENTERED INTO THROUGH THE FACILITIES OF ANY NATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE ON WHICH THIS SECURITY IS LISTED OR ADMITTED TO TRADING.

This Certificate shall not be valid for any purpose unless it has been countersigned and registered by the Transfer Agent and Registrar.

Dated:		Cheniere	Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.		
Countersigned and Registered by:		By:	Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, its General Partner		
		By:			
	as Transfer Agent and Registrar				
		Name:			
By:		By:			
	Authorized Signature		Secretary		
		[Reverse of Cer	tificate]		

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Certificate, shall be construed as follows according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM -as tenants in common

TEN ENT -as tenants by the entireties

JT TEN -as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common FOR VALUE RECEIVED. UNIF GIFT/TRANSFERS MIN ACT Custodian

(Cust) (Minor)

under Uniform Gifts/Transfers to CD Minors Act (State) hereby assigns, conveys, sells and transfers unto

Additional abbreviations, though not in the above list, may also be used.

(Please print or typewrite name and address of Assignee)

(Please insert Social Security or other identifying number of Assignee)

Common Units representing limited partner interests evidenced by this Certificate, subject to the Partnership Agreement, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint ______ as its attorney-in-fact with full power of substitution to transfer the same on the books of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

Date:

THE SIGNATURE(S) MUST BE GUARANTEED BY AN ELIGIBLE GUARANTOR INSTITUTION (BANKS, STOCKBROKERS, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS AND CREDIT UNIONS WITH MEMBERSHIP IN AN APPROVED SIGNATURE GUARANTEE MEDALLION PROGRAM), PURSUANT TO S.E.C. RULE 17Ad-15 NOTE: The signature to any endorsement hereon must correspond with the name as written upon the face of this Certificate in every particular, without alteration, enlargement or change.

(Signature)

(Signature)

No transfer of the Common Units evidenced hereby will be registered on the books of the Partnership, unless the Certificate evidencing the Common Units to be transferred is surrendered for registration or transfer and an Application for Transfer of Common Units has been properly completed and executed by a transferee either (a) on the form set forth below or (b) on a separate application that the Partnership will furnish on request without charge. A transferor of the Common Units shall have no duty to the transferee with respect to execution of the Application for Transfer of Common Units in order for such transferee to obtain registration of the transfer of the Common Units.

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF COMMON UNITS

Transferees of Common Units must execute and deliver this application to Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., c/o Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002; Attn: CFO, to be admitted as limited partners to Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

The Assignee (a) requests admission as a Substituted Limited Partner and agrees to comply with and be bound by, and hereby executes, the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., as amended, supplemented or restated to the date hereof (the "*Partnership Agreement*"), (b) represents and warrants that the Assignee has all right, power and authority and, if an individual, the capacity necessary to enter into the Partnership Agreement, (c) appoints the General Partner of the Partnership and, if a Liquidator shall be appointed, the Liquidator of the Partnership as the Assignee's attorney-in-fact to execute, swear to, acknowledge and file any document, including the Partnership Agreement and any amendment thereto and the Certificate of Limited Partnership of the Partnership and any amendment thereto, necessary or appropriate for the Assignee's admission as a Substituted Limited Partner and as a party to the Partnership Agreement, (d) gives the powers of attorney provided for in the Partnership Agreement, and (e) makes the waivers and gives the consents and approvals contained in the Partnership Agreement. Capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Partnership Agreement.

Date:

Social Security or other identifying number

Signature of Assignee

Purchase Price including commissions, if any

Name and Address of Assignee

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this certification and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete and, if applicable, I further declare that I have authority to sign this document on behalf of:

Name of Interestholder

Signature and Date

Title (if applicable)

Note: If the Assignee is a broker, dealer, bank, trust company, clearing corporation, other nominee holder or an agent of any of the foregoing, and is holding for the account of any other person, this application should be completed by an officer thereof or, in the case of a broker or dealer, by a registered representative who is a member of a registered national securities exchange or a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., or, in the case of any other nominee holder, a person performing a similar function. If the Assignee is a broker, dealer, bank, trust company, clearing corporation, other nominee owner or an agent of any of the foregoing, the above certification as to any person for whom the Assignee will hold the Common Units shall be made to the best of the Assignee's knowledge.

EXHIBIT B

Class B Conversion Notice

Exhibit B-1

THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

OF

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC

(a Delaware Limited Liability Company)

[____], 2012

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THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

OF

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC

A Delaware Limited Liability Company

This THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT (as amended, restated or modified from time to time, the "*Agreement*") of CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*Company*"), dated as of [____], 2012, is adopted, executed and agreed to by Cheniere LNG Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("*Cheniere Holdings*"), and Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Purchaser*") (solely during the Investor Approval Period for the purposes of enforcing its rights hereunder).

RECITALS

1. The name of the Company is Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC.

2. The Company was originally formed as a Delaware limited liability company by the filing of a Certificate of Formation, dated as of November 21, 2006 (the "*Original Filing Date*"), with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, pursuant to the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, with Cheniere Holdings as the sole Member.

3. The Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Company was executed effective November 21, 2006, by its sole Member, Cheniere Holdings (the "*Original Agreement*").

4. The Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Company was executed effective March 26, 2007, by its sole Member, Cheniere Holdings.

5. The Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Company was executed effective August 6, 2007, by its sole Member, Cheniere Holdings (the "*Existing Agreement*").

6. Cheniere Holdings now deems it advisable to amend and restate the Existing Agreement in its entirety as set forth herein.

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01 Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below or set forth in the Sections referred to below (unless otherwise expressly provided herein):

"2011 EPC Contract" has the meaning given to such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Absent Party" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.06.

"*Act*" means the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (6 Delaware Code Sections 18-101, et seq.), as the same may be amended from time to time, and any corresponding provisions of succeeding law.

"Adjusted Capital Account" means, with respect to any Member, the balance, if any, in such Member's Capital Account as of the end of the relevant fiscal year, after giving effect to the following adjustments:

(i) credit to such Capital Account any amounts that such Member is obligated to restore pursuant to any provision of this Agreement or pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(c) or is deemed to be obligated to restore pursuant to the penultimate sentences of Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-2(g) and 1.704-2(i)(5); and

The foregoing definition of Adjusted Capital Account is intended to comply with the provisions of Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d) of the Allocation Regulations and shall be interpreted consistently therewith.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, any other Person, whether now in existence or hereafter created, directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. Any Affiliate of CEI shall not be deemed an Affiliate of the Purchaser for purposes of this Agreement.

"Agreement" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.

"*Allocation Regulations*" means Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-1(b), 1.704-2 and 1.704-3 (including temporary regulations), as such regulations may be amended and in effect from time to time and any corresponding provisions of succeeding regulations.

"AMEX" means the NYSE Amex LLC or such other national securities exchange on which the Common Units trade.

"Applicable Law" means (a) any United States federal, state, local or foreign law, statute, rule, regulation, order, writ, injunction, judgment, decree or permit of any Governmental Authority and (b) any rule or listing requirement of any applicable national securities exchange or listing requirement of any national securities exchange or Securities and Exchange Commission recognized trading market on which securities issued by the Partnership are listed or quoted.

"Audit Committee" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.08(b).

"Bankruptcy" or "Bankrupt" means, with respect to any Person, that (a) such Person (i) makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; (ii) files a voluntary bankruptcy petition; (iii) becomes the subject of an order for relief or is declared insolvent in any federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings; (iv) files a petition or answer seeking for such Person a reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution or similar relief under any Applicable Law; (v) files an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against such Person in a proceeding of the type described in subclauses (i) through (iv) of this clause (a); or (vi) seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, receiver or liquidator of such Person or of all or any substantial part of such Person's properties; or (b) a proceeding seeking reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, without such Person's consent or acquiescence, a trustee, receiver or liquidator of such Person or of all or any substantial part of such Person's properties has been appointed and 90 Days have expired without such Person or of all or any substantial part of such Person's properties has been appointed and 90 Days have expired without such appointment having been vacated or stayed, or 90 Days have expired after the date of expiration of a stay, if the appointment has not previously been vacated. The foregoing definition of "Bankruptcy" is intended to replace and shall supersede and replace the definition of "Bankruptcy" set forth in the Act.

"Basic Documents" has the meaning given such term in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Board" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.01.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day which is a nationally recognized holiday in the United States of America or when banks in New York, New York are authorized or required by Applicable Law to be closed.

"*Capital Account*" means, with respect to any Member, the account to be maintained by the Company for each Member in accordance with Section 4.04.

"*Capital Contribution*" means, with respect to any Member, the amount of money and the agreed fair value of any property (other than money) contributed to the Company by such Member in respect of the issuance of a Membership Interest to such Member. Any reference in this Agreement to the Capital Contribution of a Member shall include a Capital Contribution of its predecessors in interest.

"CEI" means Cheniere Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"*Certificate*" means the Certificate of Formation of the Company as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, as it shall be amended from time to time.

"Cheniere CQP Directors" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.07(a)(ii).

"Cheniere Holdings" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble, and its successors and assigns.

"Class B Units" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"*Code*" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time. Any reference to a section of the Code shall include a reference to any amendatory or successor provisions thereto.

"Common Units" means the common units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership.

"Company" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.

"*Company Property*" means any and all property, both real and personal, tangible and intangible, whether contributed or otherwise acquired, owned by the Company.

"Compensation Committee" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.08(d).

"Conflicts Committee" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Contribution Agreement" means the Contribution and Conveyance Agreement, dated as of March 26, 2007, among Cheniere Holdings, the Company, the Partnership and the other parties thereto.

"Day" means a calendar day; provided, however, that, if any period of Days referred to in this Agreement shall end on a Day that is not a Business Day, then the expiration of such period shall be automatically extended until the end of the next succeeding Business Day.

"Director" or "Directors" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.02.

"Dispute Resolution Committee" is a committee of the Board consisting of the Independent CQP Directors and the Directors appointed by Cheniere Holdings or the Purchaser, as applicable, which is not, or whose Affiliates are not (other than members of the Partnership Group), parties to the agreement being considered.

"Dissolution Event" has the meaning given such term in Section 12.01(a).

"EBITDA" means, with respect to the Partnership Group on a consolidated basis, the trailing twelve months earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization; *provided, however*, that if a Train has commenced commercial operations but commercial operations have been ongoing for less than twelve months, EBITDA shall be calculated on a pro forma basis in an amount equal to the EBITDA of such Train since commercial operations commenced multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is 365 and the denominator of which is the number of days since commercial operations commenced.

"EPC Contract" means a lump sum turnkey agreement for the engineering, procurement and construction of Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 or Train 4 (or any combination of the foregoing) of the Liquefaction Project (as defined in the Partnership Agreement).

"Equity Securities" has the meaning given to such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Executive Committee" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.08(i).

"Existing Agreement" has the meaning given such term in the Recitals.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles as applied in the United States.

"Governmental Authority" or "Governmental" means any federal, state, local or foreign court or governmental or regulatory agency or authority or any arbitration board, tribunal or mediator having jurisdiction over the Company or its assets or Members.

"Indebtedness" means any of the following: (a) the principal of and accrued interest, premium (if any) or penalties on and premiums or penalties that would arise as a result of prepayment of (i) any indebtedness for borrowed money, (ii) any obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, and (iii) obligations, contingent or otherwise, under banker's acceptance credit, letters of credit or similar facilities; (b) any obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of property, assets or services, except trade accounts payable and other current liabilities arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (c) any guaranty of any of the foregoing.

"Indemnitee" means (a) any Person who is or was an Affiliate of the Company, (b) any Person who is or was a member, partner, officer, director, employee, agent or trustee of the Company or any Affiliate of the Company and (c) any Person who is or was serving at the request of the Company or any Affiliate of the Company as an officer, director, employee, member, partner, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another Person; *provided, however*, that a Person shall not be an Indemnitee by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary or custodial services.

"Independent CQP Directors" has the meaning given such term in Section 6.07(a)(iii).

"Independent Director" shall mean a Director meeting the standards set forth in the definition of Conflicts Committee in the Partnership Agreement.

"Initial Capital Contribution" means the initial contribution to the capital of the Company made by the Member pursuant to the Original Agreement.

"Investor Approval Period" has the meaning given such term in the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Investor CQP Directors" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.07(a)(i).

"Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement" means the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among CEI, the Company, the Partnership, the Purchaser, Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and any investors party thereto, as amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Managing Member" means Cheniere Holdings, and any successor thereto.

"*Member*" means Cheniere Holdings as the sole member of the Company executing this Agreement and any Person hereafter admitted to the Company as a member as provided in this Agreement, but such term does not include any Person who has ceased to be a member in the Company. Reference to "Member" under this Agreement shall not be deemed to include the Purchaser.

"*Membership Interest*" means, with respect to any Member at any time, (a) that Member's status as a Member; (b) that Member's share of the income, gain, loss, deduction and credits of, and the right to receive distributions from, the Company; (c) all other rights, benefits and privileges enjoyed by that Member (under the Act, this Agreement or otherwise) in its capacity as a Member, including that Member's rights to vote, consent and approve and otherwise to participate in the management of the Company; and (d) all obligations, duties and liabilities imposed on that Member (under the Act, this Agreement or otherwise) in its capacity as a Member, including any obligations to make Capital Contributions.

"O&M Agreement" means (a) that certain Amended and Restated Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass LNG Facilities) by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. and Sabine Pass LNG. L.P., dated as of [____], 2012, (b) that certain Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities) by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, dated as of May 14, 2012 and (c) that certain Amended and Restated Operation and Maintenance Services Agreement by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., dated as of [____], 2012, each as amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Officer" means any person elected as an officer of the Company as provided in Section 7.01, but such term does not include any person who has ceased to be an officer of the Company.

"Ordinary Course" or "Ordinary Course of Business" means the conduct of the business of the Partnership Group in accordance with the Partnership Group's normal day-to-day customs, practices and procedures, conducted in accordance with past practice.

"Original Agreement" has the meaning given such term in the Recitals.

"Original Filing Date" has the meaning given such term in the Recitals.

"Partnership" means Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and any successors thereto.

"Partnership Agreement" means the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, dated as of the date hereof, as amended from time to time, or any successor agreement.

"Partnership Group" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"*Person*" means any natural person, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, joint-stock company, unincorporated organization, joint venture, trust, court, Governmental Authority or any political subdivision thereof, or any other legal entity.

"Purchaser" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.

"Registered Public Accountants" means a firm of independent registered certified public accountant selected from time to time by the Board.

"*Regulatory Allocations*" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.01(b)(v).

"Service Agreements" mean, collectively, (a) the O&M Agreements, (b) that certain Amended and Restated Services and Secondment Agreement by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. and the Company, dated as of May 14, 2012 (c) that certain Amended and Restated Management Services Agreement by and between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., and Sabine Pass LNG, L.P., dated as of [____], 2012, (d) that certain Management Services Agreement among Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, dated as of May 14, 2012 and (e) that certain amended and restated letter agreement regarding management and administrative services to be provided by Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. to the Partnership, dated as of [____], 2012, each as amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time

"Sharing Ratio" means, subject in each case to adjustments in accordance with this Agreement, (a) in the case of a Member executing this Agreement as of the date of this Agreement or a Person acquiring such Member's Membership Interest, the percentage specified for that Member as its Sharing Ratio on Exhibit A, and (b) in the case of Membership Interests issued pursuant to Section 3.01, the Sharing Ratio established pursuant thereto; *provided, however*, that the total of all Sharing Ratios shall always equal 100%.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation of which more than 50% of the voting power of shares entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors or other governing body of such corporation is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, (b) a partnership (whether general or limited) in which such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person is, at the date of determination, a general or limited partner of such partnership, but only if more than 50% of the partnership interests of such partnership (considering all of the partnership interests of the partnership as a single class) is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, or (c) any other Person (other than a corporation or a partnership) in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, has (i) at least a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of a majority of the directors or other governing body of such Person.

"Tax Matters Member" has the meaning given such term in Section 10.03.

"Term" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.05.

"Train 1" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Train 2" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Train 3" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Train 4" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Trains" has the meaning given such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Treasury Regulations" means the regulations (including temporary regulations) promulgated by the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to and in respect of provisions of the Code. All references herein to sections of the Treasury Regulations shall include any corresponding provision or provisions of succeeding, similar or substitute, temporary or final, Treasury Regulations.

"Unit Purchase Agreement" means that certain Unit Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 14, 2012, among the Partnership, CEI and the Purchaser.

Section 1.02 Construction.

Article and Section references in this Agreement are references to the corresponding Article and Section to this Agreement, unless otherwise specified. All references to instruments, documents, contracts and agreements are references to such instruments, documents, contracts and agreements as the same may be amended, supplemented and otherwise modified from time to time, unless otherwise specified. The word "including" shall mean "including but not limited to" and shall not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it. Any reference in this Agreement to "\$" shall mean U.S. dollars. Whenever any determination, consent or approval is to be made or given by the Purchaser, such action shall be in the Purchaser's sole discretion, unless otherwise specified in this Agreement. When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period shall be excluded. If the last day of such period is a non-Business Day, the period in question shall end on the next succeeding Business Day. Any words imparting the singular number only shall include the plural and vice versa. The words such as "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a subdivision in which such words appear unless the context otherwise requires. The provision of a Table of Contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in construing or interpreting this Agreement.

ARTICLE ORGANIZATION

Section 2.01 Formation.

The Company was formed as a Delaware limited liability company by the filing of the Certificate, dated as of the Original Filing Date, with the Secretary of State of Delaware pursuant to the Act.

Section 2.02 Name.

The name of the Company is "Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC" and all Company business must be conducted in that name or such other names that comply with Applicable Law as the Directors may select.

Section 2.03 <u>Registered Office; Registered Agent; Principal</u> Office.

The name of the Company's registered agent for service of process is Corporation Service Company, and the address of the Company's registered office in the State of Delaware is 2711 Centerville Road, Suite 400, Wilmington, Delaware 19808. The principal place of business of the Company shall be located at 700 Milam Street, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002. The Members may change the Company's registered agent or the location of the Company's registered office or principal place of business as the Members may from time to time determine. The Company may have such other offices as the Members may designate.

Section 2.04 Purposes.

The purposes of the Company are to act as the general partner of the Partnership as described in the Partnership Agreement and to engage in any lawful business or activity ancillary or related thereto. The Company shall possess and may exercise all of the powers and privileges granted by the Act, by any other Applicable Law or by this Agreement, together with any powers incidental thereto, including such powers and privileges as are necessary or appropriate to the conduct, promotion or attainment of the businesses, purposes or activities of the Company.

Section 2.05 Term.

The period of existence of the Company (the "*Term*") commenced on the Original Filing Date and shall end at such time as a certificate of cancellation is filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in accordance with Section 12.04.

Section 2.06 <u>No State Law</u> <u>Partnership</u>.

It is intended that the Company shall be a limited liability company formed under the Applicable Laws of the State of Delaware and shall not be a partnership (including a limited partnership) or joint venture, and that no Member (nor the Purchaser) shall be a partner or joint venturer of any other party for any purposes other than federal, state, local and foreign income tax purposes, and this Agreement may not be construed to suggest otherwise.

Section 2.07 <u>Title to Company</u> <u>Assets.</u>

Title to Company assets, whether real, personal or mixed and whether tangible or intangible, shall be deemed to be owned by the Company as an entity, and no Member (nor the Purchaser) shall have any ownership interest in such Company assets or portion thereof.

Section 2.08 <u>Liability of Members, Directors And</u> Officers.

(a) Neither the Purchaser nor any Member, Director or Officer, solely by reason of being the Purchaser, a Member, Director or Officer, shall be liable, under a judgment, decree or order of a court, or in any other manner, for a debt, obligation or liability of the Company or the Partnership, whether arising in contract, tort or otherwise, or for the acts or omissions of any other Member, Director, Officer, agent or employee of the Company or its Affiliates. The failure of the Company (acting in its own capacity or as the general partner of the Partnership) to observe any formalities or requirements relating to the exercise of its powers or management of its (or the Partnership's) business or affairs shall not be grounds for imposing liability for any such debts, obligations or liabilities of the Company or the Partnership.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 2.08(a) shall be deemed to limit (i) the obligations of any Person to the Purchaser or (ii) any of the Purchaser's rights pursuant to this Agreement or any of the other Basic Documents.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Section 3.01 <u>Membership Interests; Additional</u> Members.

Cheniere Holdings is the sole initial Member of the Company, as reflected on Exhibit A hereto. Additional Person(s) may be admitted to the Company as Members upon the unanimous approval of the existing Members, without any approval of the Board, on such terms and conditions as the Members determine at the time of such admission. The terms of admission or issuance must specify the Sharing Ratios applicable thereto and may provide for the creation of different classes or groups of Members having different rights, powers and duties. To the extent permitted by Section 14.05 (and otherwise in accordance with this Agreement), the Members may reflect the creation of any new class or group in an amendment to this Agreement, executed in accordance with Section 14.05, indicating the different rights, powers and duties thereof. Any such admission is effective only after such new Member has executed and delivered to the Members and the Company an instrument containing the notice address of the new Member and such new Member's ratification of this Agreement and agreement to be bound by it. Upon the admission of a new Member, Exhibit A will be updated to reflect such admission.

Section 3.02 <u>Access To</u> <u>Information</u>.

Each Member shall be entitled to receive any information that it may request concerning the Company; *provided, however*, that this Section 3.02 shall not obligate the Company to create any information that does not already exist at the time of such request (other than to convert existing

information from one medium to another, such as providing a printout of information that is stored in a computer database). Each Member shall also have the right, upon reasonable notice and at all reasonable times during usual business hours, to inspect the properties of the Company and to audit, examine and make copies of the books of account and other records of the Company. Such right may be exercised through any agent or employee of such Member designated in writing by it or by an independent public accountant, engineer, attorney or other consultant so designated. All costs and expenses incurred in any inspection, examination or audit made on such Member's behalf shall be borne by such Member.

Section 3.03 Liability.

Except as otherwise required under the Act, the debts, obligations and liabilities of the Company, whether arising in contract, tort or otherwise, shall be solely the debts, obligations and liabilities of the Company, and no Member (nor the Purchaser) or beneficial owner of any Membership Interest shall be personally liable for or otherwise obligated with respect to any such debt, obligation or liability of the Company by reason of being a Member or beneficial owner of such Membership Interest. The Members and beneficial owners agree that their rights, duties and obligations in their capacities as Members and beneficial owners are only as set forth in this Agreement and as otherwise arise under the Act. Furthermore, the Members and beneficial owners agree that the existence of any rights of a Member, the Purchaser or beneficial owner, or the exercise or forbearance from exercise of any such rights shall not create any duties or obligations of the Member, the Purchaser or beneficial owner in their capacities as such, nor shall such rights be construed to enlarge or otherwise alter in any manner the duties and obligations of the Member, the Purchaser or beneficial owner.

ARTICLE IV CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Section 4.01 <u>Initial Capital</u> <u>Contributions</u>.

At the time of the formation of the Company, as reflected on <u>Exhibit A</u>, Cheniere Holdings made a Capital Contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 in exchange for all of the Membership Interests in the Company. In addition, on March 26, 2007, Cheniere Holdings made such additional Capital Contributions to the Company as are described in the Contribution Agreement. Upon the admission of a subsequent Member, <u>Exhibit A</u> shall be updated to reflect the Capital Contribution attributable to such Member. After admission as a Member, no Member shall be obligated to make any additional capital contributions to the Company.

Section 4.02 Loans.

If the Company does not have sufficient cash to pay its obligations, any Member may advance all or part of the needed funds to or on behalf of the Company. An advance described in this Section 4.02 constitutes a loan from the Member to the Company, shall bear interest at a rate comparable to the rate the Company could obtain from third parties, from the date of the advance until the date of payment, and is not a Capital Contribution. In no event shall any such loans grant the Member (or any other Persons) rights that violate any of the Purchaser's rights pursuant to this Agreement or any of the other Basic Documents.

Section 4.03 <u>Return of</u> <u>Contributions.</u>

Except as expressly provided herein, no Member is entitled to the return of any part of its Capital Contributions or to be paid interest in respect of either its Capital Account or its Capital Contributions. An unrepaid Capital Contribution is not a liability of the Company or of any Member. A Member is not required to contribute or to lend any cash or property to the Company to enable the Company to return any Member's Capital Contributions.

Section 4.04 <u>Capital</u> <u>Accounts</u>.

A Capital Account shall be established and maintained for each Member in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-1(b) *et. seq.*, as such regulations may be amended and in effect from time to time and any corresponding provisions of succeeding regulations.

ARTICLE V DISTRIBUTIONS AND ALLOCATIONS

Section 5.01 <u>Allocations for Capital Account</u> <u>Purposes</u>.

(a) Except as otherwise set forth in Section 5.01(b), for purposes of maintaining the Capital Accounts and in determining the rights of the Members among themselves, the Company's items of income, gain, loss and deduction shall be allocated and charged to the Members in accordance with their respective Sharing Ratios.

(b) The following special allocations shall be made prior to making any allocations provided for in 5.01(a) above:

(i) Qualified Income Offset. Except as provided in Section 5.01(b)(ii), in the event any Member receives any adjustments, allocations or distributions described in Treasury Regulation Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(5) or 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(6), items of Company income and gain shall be specifically allocated to such Member in an amount and manner sufficient to eliminate, to the extent required by the Allocation Regulations, the deficit balance, if any, in such Member's Adjusted Capital Account created by such adjustments, allocations or distributions as quickly as possible.

(ii) *Nonrecourse Debt Allocations*. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 5.01, each Member shall be allocated items of Company income and gain in each fiscal year as necessary, in the Board's discretion, to comply with the Allocation Regulations relating to nonrecourse debt.

(iii) Gross Income Allocations. In the event any Member has a deficit balance in such Member's Adjusted Capital Account at the end of any Company taxable period, such Member shall be specially allocated items of Company gross income and gain in the amount of such excess as quickly as possible; *provided, however*, that an allocation pursuant to this Section 5.01(b)(iii) shall be made only if and to the extent that such Member would have a deficit balance in such Member's Adjusted Capital Account after

all other allocations provided in this Section 5.01 have been tentatively made as if this Section 5.01(b)(iii) were not in the Agreement.

(iv) *Code Section 754 Adjustment.* To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted tax basis of any Company asset pursuant to Section 734(b) or 743(b) of the Code is required, pursuant to the Allocation Regulations, to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts, the amount of such adjustment to the Capital Accounts shall be treated as an item of gain (if the adjustment increases the basis of the asset) or loss (if the adjustment decreases such basis), and such item of gain or loss shall be specially allocated to the Members in a manner consistent with the manner in which their Capital Accounts are required to be adjusted pursuant to the Allocation Regulations.

(v) *Curative Allocation.* The special allocations set forth in Section 5.01 (b)(i), (ii) and (iii) (the "*Regulatory Allocations*") are intended to comply with the Allocation Regulations. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 5.01, the Regulatory Allocations shall be taken into account in allocating items of income, gain, loss and deduction among the Members such that, to the extent possible, the net amount of allocations of such items and the Regulatory Allocations to each Member shall be equal to the net amount that would have been allocated to each Member if the Regulatory Allocations had not occurred.

Section 5.02 Distributions.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.04 or Section 12.02, cash may be distributed at such time and in such amounts as the Managing Member shall determine to the Members in accordance with their respective Sharing Ratios. Such distributions shall be made concurrently to the Members as reflected on the books of the Company on the date set for purposes of such distribution.

Section 5.03 <u>Varying</u> <u>Interests</u>.

All items of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit shall be allocated, and all distributions shall be made, to the Persons shown on the records of the Company to have been Members as of the last calendar day of the period for which the allocation or distribution is to be made. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if during any taxable year there is a change in any Member's Sharing Ratio, the Members agree that their allocable shares of such items for the taxable year shall be determined on any method determined by the Members in their sole discretion to be permissible under Code Section 706 and the related Treasury Regulations to take account of the Members' varying Sharing Ratios.

Section 5.04 <u>Limitations on</u> <u>Distributions.</u>

No distribution shall be declared and paid unless, if after the distribution is made, the value of assets of the Company would exceed the liabilities of the Company, except liabilities to the Members on account of their Capital Contributions. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Company shall not make a distribution to any Member on account of its interest in the Company if such distribution would violate any Applicable Law.

ARTICLE VI MANAGEMENT

Section 6.01 <u>Management by Board of</u> <u>Directors</u>.

Other than as expressly set forth in Section 6.15, all of the power and authority of the Company relating to the Company's management of the business and affairs of the Partnership Group, as the general partner of the Partnership, shall be fully vested in, and managed by, a Board of Directors (the "*Board*") and, subject to the discretion of the Board, Officers elected pursuant to Article VII. The Directors and Officers shall collectively constitute "managers" of the Company within the meaning of the Act. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement (including Section 6.14 and Section 6.15), no Member, by virtue of having the status of a Member, shall have or attempt to exercise or assert any management power over the business and affairs of the Company or shall have or attempt to exercise or assert actual or apparent authority to enter contracts on behalf of, or to otherwise bind, the Company or any member of the Partnership Group. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement (or as the Board may resolve with respect to determining the powers granted to the Officers), the authority and functions of the Board, on the one hand, and of the Officers, on the other hand, shall be identical to the authority and functions of the board of directors and officers, respectively, of a corporation organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. The Officers shall be vested with such powers and duties as are expressly set forth in Article VII and as are otherwise specified by the Board. Accordingly, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, the business and affairs of the Company's behalf by the Officers who shall be agents of the Company.

Section 6.02 <u>Number; Qualification;</u> <u>Tenure.</u>

Until the expiration of the Investor Approval Period, the number of directors constituting the Board shall be eleven (11) and thereafter shall not be less than one (1) nor more than nine (9) (each a "*Director*" and, collectively, the "*Directors*"). A Director need not be a Member nor a resident of the State of Delaware. During the Investor Approval Period, each Director shall be appointed pursuant to Section 6.07. Each Director shall serve until his or her death, resignation or removal from office or until his or her successor is appointed as provided in Section 6.07. Upon expiration of the Investor Approval Period, all Directors shall be appointed by the Member.

Section 6.03 Meetings.

A meeting of the Board or any committee thereof may be called by any member of the Board or a committee thereof on at least three (3) days notice to the other members of such Board or committee, either personally or by mail, telephone, telegraph or electronic mail. Any such notice, or waiver thereof, need not state the purpose of such meeting, except for amendments to this Agreement and as may otherwise be required by Applicable Law. Attendance of a Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where such Director attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 6.04 <u>Action By Consent of Board or Committee of</u> <u>Board.</u>

Subject to Article XIV, and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, so long as a consent or consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, are signed by all of the members of the Board or committee thereof.

Section 6.05 <u>Conference Telephone</u> <u>Meetings</u>.

Directors or members of any committee of the Board may participate in and hold a meeting of the Board or such committee by means of telephone conference, video conference or similar communications equipment by means of which all Persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and such participation in a meeting shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 6.06 <u>Quorum; Board</u> <u>Voting</u>.

(i) A majority of all Directors, which includes (ii) at least two (2) Investor CQP Directors, two (2) Cheniere CQP Directors and two (2) Independent Directors present in person or participating in accordance with Section 6.05 shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, unless a greater number is required by Applicable Law; but if at any meeting of the Board there shall be less than a quorum present, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice, other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall be present; *provided, however*, that clause (ii) shall not be required to constitute a quorum if (A) a meeting has been adjourned for at least three (3) days on two consecutive occasions due to failure of clause (ii) to be satisfied (the party that appointed the Directors whose absence caused a failure of quorum to be satisfied at a meeting and two consecutive re-convened meeting), the absence of Directors appointed by the Absent Party is the cause of clause (ii) not being satisfied; *provided, further*, that by unanimous decision of those Investor CQP Directors present, the requirement for Independent Directors to be present to constitute a quorum at a particular meeting may be waived. Except as otherwise required by Applicable Law or as otherwise set forth herein, all decisions of the Board shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board present at a meeting duly called in accordance with this Article VI. The Directors present at a duly organized meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Directors to leave less than a quorum.

Section 6.07 <u>Appointment of Directors; Vacancies; Increases in the Number of Directors.</u>

(a) During the Investor Approval Period:

(i) The Purchaser shall have the right to appoint three (3) Directors to the Board (the "*Investor CQP Directors*"). The initial Investor CQP Directors shall be: (A) [_____], (B) [____] and (C) [____];

(ii) Cheniere Holdings shall have the rig	tt to appoint four (4)	Directors to the Board (the	"Cheniere CQP	Directors"). The
initial Cheniere CQP Directors shall be: (A) [], (B) [], (C) [] and (D) []; and

(iii) The Board shall have four (4) Directors who are Independent Directors (the "*Independent CQP Directors*"). The initial Independent CQP Directors shall be: (A) [____], (B) [____], (C) [___] and (D) [___].

(b) During the Investor Approval Period any increase or decrease in the number of Directors shall require approval of the Managing Member and the Purchaser. After the Investor Approval Period, any vacancies and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of Directors shall be filled by the Members in their sole discretion.

(c) If the Board determines that a member of the Partnership Group should be managed by a board of managers or directors, then such board shall have as one of its members an Independent CQP Director, if during the Investor Approval Period, or other Independent Director following the Investor Approval Period.

Section 6.08 Committees.

(a) The Board may establish committees of the Board and may delegate any of its responsibilities, except as otherwise prohibited by Applicable Law, to such committees. As of the date hereof, there are no committees other than the Conflicts Committee, the Executive Committee and the Audit Committee. Any additional committees of the Board created after the date hereof shall include at least one Investor CQP Director and one Cheniere CQP Director.

(b) The Board shall have an audit committee (the "Audit Committee") consisting of three (3) Independent CQP Directors selected by the Board. Such Audit Committee shall establish a written audit committee charter in accordance with the rules of the AMEX, as amended from time to time.

(c) The Board shall have a Conflicts Committee consisting of three (3) or more Directors selected by the Board that satisfy the criteria set forth in the definition of Conflicts Committee in the Partnership Agreement; *provided, however*, that if a vacancy thereon exists, the Conflicts Committee may continue to act by action of such remaining two (2) members. During the Investor Approval Period, the Directors serving on the Conflicts Committee shall consist solely of Independent CQP Directors. The Conflicts Committee shall function in the manner described in the Partnership Agreement. If requested by any Investor CQP Director or Cheniere CQP Director, the Conflicts Committee shall review and recommend to a Dispute Resolution Committee whether the Conflicts Committee believes that there has been a breach of an agreement between the Partnership Group, on the one hand, and either CEI and its Affiliates (other than any member of the Partnership Group), on the other hand, and if there is a recommendation that there has been such a breach, the Dispute Resolution Committee shall consider what actions, if any, to be taken with respect thereto, and (subject to Section 6.15) shall be empowered to cause the members of the Partnership Group to take any such actions.

(d) The Board may elect to have a compensation committee (the "*Compensation Committee*") comprised of three (3) Independent CQP Directors selected by the Board. Such Compensation Committee shall establish a written compensation committee charter in accordance with the applicable rules of AMEX, as amended from time to time.

(e) A majority of any committee, present in person or participating in accordance with Section 6.05, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of such committee, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the committee members present shall be necessary for the adoption by it of any resolution, unless the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of any such committee is required by Applicable Law or otherwise; *provided, however*, that the affirmative vote of four out of five of the members of the Executive Committee shall be necessary for the adoption by such committee of any resolution.

(f) A majority of any committee may determine its action and fix the time and place of its meetings unless the Board shall otherwise provide. Notice of such meetings shall be given to each member of the committee in the manner provided for in Section 14.02. The Board shall have power at any time to fill vacancies in, to change the membership of, or to dissolve any such committee.

(g) Any committee designed pursuant to this Section 6.08 shall choose its own chairman and keep regular minutes of its proceedings and report the same to the Board when requested.

(h) The Board may designate one or more Directors as alternate members of any committee (other than the Executive Committee) who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of such committee; *provided, however*, that any such designated alternate of the Conflicts Committee must be appointed pursuant to Section 6.08(c); *provided, further*, that any such designated alternate of the Audit Committee or Compensation Committee or Conflicts Committee must meet the standards for an Independent Director. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Board from establishing one or more committees consisting in whole or in part of persons who are not Directors; *provided, however*, that no such committee shall have or may exercise any authority of the Board.

(i) At all times until it is dissolved in accordance with this Section 6.08(i), the Board shall have an executive committee (the *"Executive Committee"*) consisting of five (5) Directors. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of (i) the three (3) Investor CQP Directors; (ii) one (1) Independent CQP Director, who shall be selected by the Independent CQP Directors; and (iii) one (1) Cheniere CQP Director, who shall be selected by the Cheniere CQP Directors. During the Investor Approval Period, any increase or decrease in the number of Directors serving on the Executive Committee shall require approval of the Board, including the approval of at least one Cheniere CQP Director and one Investor CQP Director. The Executive Committee shall be dissolved and this Section 6.08 shall be null and void from and after the end of the Investor Approval Period without any further action by the Members, the Board or the members of the Executive Committee. Subject to Section 6.15, the following actions proposed to be taken by the applicable member of the Partnership Group, or by the Partnership Group as a whole, as specified below, shall be subject to (A) review and approval by the Executive Committee before they are taken, and (B) if approved by the Executive Committee, subsequent approval by the Board (unless in the case of clause (B) such actions do not otherwise require Board approval) before they are taken:

(i) with respect to any member of the Partnership Group, winding-up, dissolving or filing or authorizing the filing of any petition seeking to reorganize, or to obtain relief under, any federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency law, or to agree to do any of the foregoing, or to agree to an out-of-court restructuring or reorganization;

(ii) changing or making any election for any member of the Partnership Group to be classified as other than a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, other than necessary tax elections necessary to ensure that at least 90% of the combined gross income of the Partnership for any taxable year is "qualifying income" within the meaning of Section 7704 of the Code;

(iii) the issuance by the Partnership of (A) Common Units or Common Unit Equivalents at a price less than \$10.00 per unit or (B) Class B Units at a price less than \$15.00 per Class B Unit or with a compound annual paid-in-kind rate or similar accreting feature of more than 3.5% per quarter, in each case, as such per unit price may be adjusted to take into account any unit split, combination, reclassification, reorganization or recapitalization or similar transaction;

(iv) the incurrence by the Partnership Group, on a consolidated basis, of aggregate Indebtedness to finance the construction and commencement of commercial operations of Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 or Train 4, and all related facilities, equipment and activities, in excess of the following thresholds (each of which shall be an aggregate threshold for the applicable Train(s)): (A) \$4.1 billion to finance the construction and commencement of commercial operations, of Train 1 and Train 2, and all related facilities, equipment and activities; (B) \$7.5 billion to finance the construction and commencement of commercial operations, of both Train 1 and Train 2, and all related facilities, equipment and activities, and the construction and commencement of commercial operations, of Train 3, and all related facilities, equipment and activities; and (C) \$10.0 billion to finance the construction and commencement of commercial operations of Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 and Train 4, and all related facilities, equipment and activities; *provided, however*, that if the Executive Committee approves the incurrence of Indebtedness in excess of the foregoing amounts, any such excess amounts shall be segregated into a separate bank account and not used for purposes other than expenditures for the applicable Train(s); *provided, further*, that if the Partnership Group desires to incur additional short-term Indebtedness for working capital to purchase natural gas for purposes of commissioning any Train, which would be expected to be repaid within 90 days from working capital and would result in any of the foregoing amounts being exceeded by up to \$300.0 million, then the Executive Committee shall consider the incurrence of such Indebtedness;

(v) the incurrence by the Partnership Group, on a consolidated basis, of aggregate Indebtedness (including to finance the construction and commencement of commercial operations of Train 1, Train 2, Train 3 and Train 4, and all related facilities, equipment and activities) that would exceed \$12.3 billion outstanding at any time prior to commercial operations of Train 4, and all related facilities, equipment and activities to facilitate commercial operation of the Liquefaction Project;

(vi) the incurrence by the Partnership Group, on a consolidated basis, of aggregate Indebtedness that would result in: (A) the Partnership Group's ratio of consolidated Indebtedness to EBITDA exceeding 6.0 to 1.0 (with Indebtedness excluding any Indebtedness incurred for Trains or other projects that have not commenced commercial operations); or (B) the Partnership Group's ratio of consolidated Indebtedness to EBITDA exceeding 6.0 to 1.0 (with Indebtedness incurred for Trains or other projects that have not commenced commercial operations); or (B) the Partnership Group's ratio of consolidated Indebtedness to EBITDA exceeding 6.0 to 1.0 (with Indebtedness incurred for Trains or other projects that have not commenced commercial operations, and EBITDA to include projected EBITDA (as confirmed by the Board) for Trains or other projects for which financing has been consummated or will be consummated concurrent with the Indebtedness to be incurred);

(vii) any member of the Partnership Group entering into an EPC Contract for Train 3 or Train 4 if such EPC Contract is not on a lump sum turnkey basis with at least 80% of the aggregate contract price on a fixed price basis (excluding any currency exchange and commodity price fluctuations and inflation adjustments, which shall be considered variable costs) and no more than \$100 million of risk exposure for labor costs; *provided, however*, that approval thereof shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed;

(viii) the issuance by the Partnership of any Equity Securities (other than Common Units) that are in any manner senior to the Class B Units; *provided* that this Section 6.08(i)(viii) shall not prevent the Company from being permitted to exercise its rights pursuant to Section 5.2(b) of the Partnership Agreement;

(ix) other than change orders caused by Applicable Law and change orders required by the contractor thereunder to maintain the project schedule and reach commercial operation, any member of the Partnership Group approving any material change orders to an EPC Contract, with such approval not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed more than five (5) Business Days after receipt of written notice setting forth and describing in reasonable detail such change order and the explanation as to why such change order is reasonable under the circumstances (provided that in no event shall any determination about whether such information is reasonable affect the timing of such approval so long as it is prima facie provided in good faith), including (A) change orders increasing the cost of such EPC Contract by more than \$40 million in a single change order or by more than \$150 million in cumulative change orders for each of (1) Train 1 and Train 2 and (2) Train 3 and Train 4, and all related facilities, equipment and activities, are not subject to the same EPC Contract, then such change order thresholds shall be determined on a pro rata basis in respect of the particular Train); and (B) any change order causing either (x) the Guaranteed Substantial Completion Date (as defined in the 2011 EPC Contract) for Train 1 or Train 2 or (y) the date determined pursuant to such similar term set forth in the applicable EPC Contract for Train 3 or Train 4 to be delayed by more than six (6) months from the original date set forth in such EPC Contract, as of its effective date;

(x) any member of the Partnership Group approving (x) any material change in the nature of the Partnership Group's business taken as a whole, (y) the consummation of material asset dispositions or acquisitions or (z) the commencement or pursuit of any capital projects other than Train 1, Train 2, Train 3, Train 4 and the CTPL (as defined in the Unit Purchase Agreement);

(xi) any member of the Partnership Group creating any direct or indirect Subsidiaries, other than Subsidiaries that are directly or indirectly wholly owned by the Partnership;

(xii) any member of the Partnership Group issuing or selling equity interests (including any option, right, warrant or appreciation right) in the Partnership's Subsidiaries, other than to direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiaries of a member of the Partnership Group;

(xiii) any member of the Partnership Group approving the issuance of or issuing a notice to proceed on construction of Train 3 or Train 4 prior to consummating one or more closings to finance 100% of the then-current estimate of the funds (as determined by the Board) required to complete such Train or Trains, as the case may be;

(xiv) any amendment to a Service Agreement or entering into any other agreement with CEI to provide services to any member of the Partnership Group; and

(xv) any member of the Partnership Group (A) materially amending, terminating (other than terminating in accordance with its existing terms in the ordinary course of business) or entering into, any material commercial agreement, terminal use agreement, construction management agreement, operating and maintenance agreement, debt financing agreement, underwriting agreement, indenture or other agreement relating to Indebtedness (to the extent any of the foregoing would not otherwise be permitted without Executive Committee approval under other clauses of this Section 6.08(i)) or any material license, permit or other agreement with any Governmental Authority, in each case, in a manner that could reasonably be deemed to adversely affect the Purchaser or any Affiliate of the Purchaser in any material respect with regard to its Class B Units or Common Units or any of its rights with respect to the Company, the Partnership Group or any of the Basic Documents or (b) hiring employees or paying compensation to officers or other employees of members of the Partnership Group, other than employees hired and compensation paid by CEI or its Affiliates in accordance with the Partnership Agreement and the Services Agreements.

Section 6.09 <u>Resignation or</u> <u>Removal</u>.

(a) Any Director may resign at any time upon written notice to the Board. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified in such written notice, and unless otherwise specified therein, no acceptance of such resignation shall be necessary to make it effective.

(b) Any Director may be removed by a majority of the other Directors then serving on the Board (or other applicable governing body) for "cause" (as defined below); and any vacancy in such position shall be filled as set forth in Section 6.09(c). As used herein, "cause" means that the applicable Director (i) is prohibited from serving as a director of the Company under any rule or regulation of the Securities and Exchange Commission or the AMEX or (ii) has been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.

(c) During the Investor Approval Period, in addition to removals by the Board pursuant to Section 6.09(a) and Section 6.09(b), Directors may be removed and the corresponding vacancies filled as follows:

(i) Cheniere Holdings shall be entitled to cause the removal of any Cheniere CQP Director, at any time, with or without cause, and any vacancies with respect to the Cheniere CQP Directors shall be filled by Cheniere Holdings.

(ii) The Purchaser shall be entitled to cause the removal of any Investor CQP Director, at any time, with or without cause, and any vacancies with respect to Investor CQP Directors shall be filled by the Purchaser.

(iii) Either the Purchaser or Cheniere Holdings shall be entitled to cause the removal of any Independent CQP Director, with or without cause, by delivering notice thereof in accordance with Section 6.09(d).

(iv) Any vacancy of an Independent CQP Director (whether by death, resignation or removal) shall be filled by mutual agreement of Cheniere Holdings and the Purchaser, pursuant to the following procedure:

(A) if the Purchaser, which may propose a replacement Independent Director, does not deliver a notice proposing a replacement Independent Director within thirty (30) days after a notice of removal is delivered pursuant to Section 6.09(d) or the death or resignation of such Person, as applicable, then Cheniere Holdings may appoint a replacement Independent CQP Director; and

(B) if the Purchaser delivers a notice proposing a replacement Independent Director within thirty (30) days after the notice of removal is delivered pursuant to Section 6.09(d) or the death or resignation of such Person, as applicable, then the following procedure shall be followed (with any Independent Director designee agreed to by Cheniere Holdings or determined by the Independent CQP Directors to be an Independent CQP Director, as applicable, being appointed to the Board by Cheniere Holdings promptly after such determination): (I) Cheniere Holdings shall decide, within fourteen (14) days after receiving such notice of a proposed replacement Independent Director, whether to appoint or reject such designee as an Independent CQP Director;

(II) if Cheniere Holdings rejects such designee as an Independent CQP Director, then the Purchaser may deliver a notice proposing another replacement Independent Director within seven (7) days after Cheniere Holding's delivers to the Purchaser a notice rejecting the previously proposed designee;

(III) Cheniere Holdings shall decide within seven (7) days after receiving notice of the immediately foregoing proposed replacement Independent Director whether to appoint or reject such designee as an Independent CQP Director;

(IV) if Cheniere Holdings rejects such Person as an Independent CQP Director, then the Independent CQP Directors not subject to the notice of removal pursuant to Section 6.09(c)(iv)(B) shall decide whether such Person is an Independent Director and otherwise qualified to serve on the Board; and

(V) if a majority of the Independent CQP Directors (other than the Independent CQP Director subject to being removed) reject such Person as an Independent CQP Director, then the process set forth in this Section 6.09(c)(iv) shall be restarted; *provided, however*, that if either the Purchaser or Cheniere Holdings initially initiated the procedures set forth in Section 6.09(c)(ii) and the other Person subsequently submits a notice of removal pursuant to Section 6.09(c)(iii), the procedures set forth in this Section 6.09(c)(iv) shall not be followed more than twice with respect to the initiating Person's notice of removal before following the procedures set forth in this Section 6.09(c)(iv) with respect to the other Person's subsequent notice of removal.

(v) Notwithstanding Section 6.09(c)(iii), an Independent CQP Director to be removed pursuant to Section 6.09(c)(iii) shall continue to serve as an Independent CQP Director until his or her successor is appointed in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 6.09(c)(iv).

(d) Any action by Cheniere Holdings or the Purchaser to designate, remove or replace a Cheniere CQP Director, Investor CQP Director or Independent CQP Director shall be evidenced in writing furnished to the Company, the Member and the Purchaser.

Section 6.10 Compensation.

The members of the Board who are neither Officers nor employees of either the Company or the Purchaser or any Affiliate thereof shall be entitled to compensation for their service as directors

and committee members at rates established from time to time by resolution of the Board. All members of the Board shall be reimbursed for actual and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with attending meetings of the Board or committees thereof.

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Section 6.11 <u>Affiliate Transaction</u>
<u>Approval</u>.
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(a) During the Investor Approval Period, any transactions (or modifications or waivers of existing contracts) (other than transactions subject to Section 6.08(i)(xiv)) between (x) the Partnership Group, on the one hand, and (y) either (A) CEI and its Affiliates (other than any member of the Partnership Group) or (B) the Purchaser and its Affiliates (other than any member of the Partnership Group), on the other hand, that: (i) are on terms less favorable to the Partnership Group than those generally being provided to or available from unrelated third parties; or (ii) involve consideration of more than \$1.0 million individually or \$5.0 million cumulatively per annum, shall require the following approval: (1) transactions proposed by or for the benefit of CEI or its Affiliates (other than the Partnership Group) shall require the approval of the Board, including at least one Investor CQP Director and (2) transactions proposed by or for the benefit of the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates (other than the Partnership Group) shall require the approval of the Board, including at least one Investor CQP Director and (2) transactions proposed by or for the benefit of the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates (other than the Partnership Group) shall require the approval of the Board, including at least one Investor CQP Director.

(b) In addition, if requested by any Investor CQP Director or Cheniere CQP Director, the transactions contemplated by Section 6.11(a) shall be submitted to the Conflicts Committee for consideration.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such approval contemplated by this Section 6.11 shall be required in respect of (a) any transactions relating to the exercise of any of the Purchaser or its Affiliates rights pursuant to any of the Basic Documents (*e.g.*, the Purchaser's exercise of its rights pursuant to Section 5.12(b)(vii) of the Partnership Agreement), (b) the approval of budgets contemplated by a Service Agreement or payments made pursuant to the terms thereof or (c) the exercise of preemptive rights that any Person holds.

Section 6.12 Duties.

Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or required by the Act, no Director shall have any duties or liabilities, including fiduciary duties, to the Company or any Member except to act in good faith and in the best interest of the Partnership when the Company acts as the general partner of the Partnership, and the provisions of this Agreement, to the extent that they restrict, eliminate or otherwise modify the duties and liabilities, including fiduciary duties, of a Director otherwise existing under Applicable Law or in equity, are agreed by the Members to replace such other duties and liabilities of the Directors.

Section 6.13 <u>Corporate</u> <u>Opportunities</u>.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any duty existing under Applicable Law, in equity or otherwise, the doctrine of corporate opportunity, or any analogous doctrine, shall not apply to any Director or Officer. No Director or Officer who acquires knowledge of a potential transaction, agreement, arrangement or other matter that may be an opportunity for

the Company or for any member of the Partnership Group shall have any duty to communicate or offer such opportunity to any Member, the Company or the Partnership Group, and it shall be deemed not to be breach of any duty, including any fiduciary duty, or any other obligation of any type whatsoever of any Director or Officer to not communicate or offer such opportunity to any Member, the Company or the Partnership Group, and such Director or Officer shall not be liable to the Company, any member of the Partnership Group, to any Member or any other Person for breach of any fiduciary or other duty by reason of the fact that such Director or Officer pursues or acquires for itself or its Affiliates, directs such opportunity to another Person or does not communicate such opportunity or information to any Member, the Company or the Partnership Group; *provided, however*, that the preceding terms of this Section 6.13 shall not apply to any business opportunity (i) of which any Person who is an Officer, Director or employee of the Company or any member of the Partnership Group acquires knowledge while acting in his capacity as such Officer, Director or employee, and not while acting in his capacity as an officer, director or employee of an entity that is not the Company or a member of the Partnership Group or (ii) taken by a Director or Officer for such Director's or Officer's personal benefit.

Section 6.14	Managing	Member
	Authority.	

Except for any power and authority specifically delegated to the Board herein, the Managing Member will have the exclusive authority over the other business and affairs of the Company that do not relate to the Partnership Group. Without limiting the general delegation of power to the Managing Member in the previous sentence (and to the extent not otherwise prohibited by the Basic Documents), the powers granted to the Managing Member shall include:

(a) transferring the Company's General Partner Interest (as defined in the Partnership Agreement) pursuant to Section 4.6(b) of the Partnership Agreement or the Company's Incentive Distribution Rights (as defined in the Partnership Agreement), subject to the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement;

(b) voting any Units (as defined in the Partnership Agreement) held by the Company;

(c) making any distributions by the Company to the Members to the extent permitted by this Agreement;

(d) issuing or repurchasing any equity interests in the Company;

(e) prosecuting, settling, and managing any claims made directly against the Company to the extent such claims do not relate to any member of the Partnership Group;

(f) selling, conveying, transferring or pledging any assets of the Company;

(g) entering into agreements and incurring obligations on behalf of the Company not contrary to or inconsistent with the terms of the Partnership Agreement;

(h) making additional capital contributions to the Partnership pursuant to the Partnership Agreement;

(i) exercising preemptive rights in the Partnership pursuant to the Partnership Agreement;

(j) acquiring Units or Partnership Securities (each as defined in the Partnership Agreement) pursuant to the Partnership Agreement and exercising rights pursuant thereto;

(k) lending funds to the Partnership Group pursuant to the Partnership Agreement;

(1) exercising rights as an "Indemnitee" pursuant to the Partnership Agreement to the extent such claims do not relate to any member of the Partnership Group;

(m) purchasing and selling Partnership Securities for its own account pursuant to the Partnership Agreement;

(n) exercising registration rights pursuant to the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement;

(o) after the Investor Approval Period, withdrawing as the general partner of the Partnership pursuant to Section 11.1 of the Partnership Agreement;

(p) transferring the interest of a Departing General Partner (as defined in the Partnership Agreement) pursuant to the Partnership Agreement; and

(q) selecting and appointing the Independent CQP Director or other Independent Director of the Board, as the case may be, to a board of managers or similar governing body of a member of the Partnership Group to fill any vacancy or position created pursuant to Section 6.07(c);

provided, that none of the foregoing shall be interpreted to grant the Managing Member the power to manage the business and affairs of the Partnership Group or exercise any of the rights of the Partnership Group.

Section 6.15 <u>Sabine Pass Control</u> <u>Rights</u>.

The Managing Member shall exercise all power and authority of the Company, whether direct or indirect, with respect to acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of the equity interests of the general partner of Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. (presently, Sabine Pass LNG-GP, LLC). Neither the Board, nor the Executive Committee, nor any Director, nor the Purchaser shall have or exercise any power or authority with respect to the general partner of Sabine Pass LNG, L.P.

ARTICLE VII OFFICERS

Section 7.01 <u>Elected</u> <u>Officers</u>.

The Officers of the Company shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. Such Officers shall have the authority and duties delegated to each of them, respectively, by the Board from time to time. No Officer need be a Member or Director. Any number of offices may be held by the same Person. The Officers of the Company shall be a Chairman of the Board, a Chief Executive Officer, a Chief Financial Officer, a Secretary and a Treasurer and may include such other officers (including,

without limitation, a President, a Chief Operating Officer, Executive Vice Presidents, Senior Vice Presidents and Vice Presidents) as the Board from time to time may deem proper.

The Chairman of the Board shall be chosen from among the Directors. All Officers elected by the Board shall each have such powers and duties as generally pertain to their respective offices, subject to the specific provisions of this Article VII (and any resolutions of the Board modifying such duties) and shall perform such additional duties as the Board may, from time to time, delegate to them. The Board or any committee thereof may from time to time elect or appoint, as the case may be, such other Officers (including one or more Vice Presidents, Controllers, Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers) and agents, as may be necessary or desirable for the conduct of the business of the Company. Such other Officers and agents shall have such duties and shall hold their offices for such terms as shall be provided in this Agreement or as may be prescribed by the Board or such committee, as the case may be.

In no event shall any of the Officers take any action requiring Executive Committee approval under Section 6.08(i) unless such action has been approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 7.02 <u>Election and Term of</u> <u>Office</u>.

The Officers of the Company shall be elected annually by the Board at the regular meeting of the Board held after the annual meeting of the Members or at such time and for such term as the Board shall determine. Each Officer shall hold office until such Person's successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until such Person's death or until he or she shall resign or be removed pursuant to Section 7.14.

Section 7.03 <u>Chairman of the</u> <u>Board.</u>

The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board. If the Chairman is unable to preside at a meeting of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer is also unable to preside at such meeting pursuant to Section 7.04, then the Directors may appoint another Director to preside at such meeting. The Directors also may elect a Vice-Chairman to act in the place of the Chairman upon his absence or inability to act.

Section 7.04 <u>Chief Executive</u> <u>Officer</u>.

The Chief Executive Officer shall be responsible for the general management of the affairs of the Company and shall perform all duties incidental to such Person's office that may be required by Applicable Law and all such other duties as are properly required of him or her by the Board. The Chief Executive Officer shall supervise generally the affairs of the Company, its other Officers, employees and agents and may take all actions that the Company may legally take. He or she shall make reports to the Board and the Members and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board and of any committee thereof are carried into effect. The Chief Executive Officer shall have full authority to execute all deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, documents or other instruments, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board to some other Officer or agent of the Company or shall be required by Applicable Law to be otherwise executed. The Chairman of the Board may serve in the capacity of Chief Executive Officer. If the Chairman of

the Board does not so serve, then the Chief Executive Officer, if he or she is also a Director, shall, in the absence of or because of the inability of the Chairman of the Board to act, perform all duties of the Chairman of the Board and preside at all meetings of the Board.

Section 7.05 President.

The Chief Executive Officer may serve in the capacity as President. If the Chief Executive Officer does not so serve, then the President shall assist the Chief Executive Officer in the administration and operation of the Company's business and general supervision of its policies and affairs. The President shall have full authority to execute all deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, documents or other instruments, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board to some other Officer or agent of the Company or shall be required by Applicable Law to be otherwise executed. In the absence of the Chairman of the Board and a Chief Executive Officer, the President, if he or she is also a Director, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.

Section 7.06 <u>Chief Financial</u> <u>Officer</u>.

The Chief Financial Officer shall be responsible for financial reporting for the Company and shall perform all duties incidental to such Person's office that may be required by Applicable Law and all such other duties as are properly required by of him or her by the Board. He or she shall make reports to the Board and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board and any committee thereof relating to financial reporting are carried into effect. He or she shall also render to the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, whenever any of them request it, an account of all of his or her transactions as Chief Executive Officer and of the financial condition of the Company. The Chief Financial Officer shall have the same power as the Chief Executive Officer to execute documents on behalf of the Company.

Section 7.07 <u>Chief</u> Operating <u>Officer</u>.

The Chief Operating Officer of the Company shall assist the President and Chief Executive Officer in the administration and operation of the Company's business and general supervision of its policies and affairs.

Section 7.08 Vice

Presidents.

Each Executive Vice President and Senior Vice President and any Vice President shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to him or her by the Board, the President or the Chief Executive Officer.

Section 7.09 Treasurer.

(a) The Treasurer shall exercise general supervision over the receipt, custody and disbursement of Company funds. The Treasurer shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and shall have such further powers and duties and shall be subject to such directions as may be granted or imposed from time to time by the Board and the Chief Financial Officer.

(b) Assistant Treasurers shall have such authority and perform such duties of the Treasurer as may be provided in this Agreement or assigned to them by the Board or the Treasurer. Assistant Treasurers shall assist the Treasurer in the performance of the duties assigned to the Treasurer and, in assisting the Treasurer, each Assistant Treasurer shall for such purpose have the powers of the Treasurer. During the Treasurer's absence or inability or refusal to act, the Treasurer's authority and duties shall be possessed by such Assistant Treasurer or Assistant Treasurers as the Board may designate.

Section 7.10 Secretary.

(a) The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, in one or more books provided for that purpose, the minutes of all meetings or actions of the Board, the committees of the Board and the Members. The Secretary shall (i) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and as required by Applicable Law; (ii) be custodian of the records and the seal of the Company and affix and attest the seal to all documents to be executed on behalf of the Company under its seal; (iii) see that the books, reports, statements, certificates and other documents and records required by Applicable Law to be kept and filed are properly kept and filed; and (iv) in general, perform all of the duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Secretary by the Board.

(b) Assistant Secretaries shall have such authority and perform such duties of the Secretary as may be provided in this Agreement or assigned to them by the Board or the Secretary. Assistant Secretaries shall assist the Secretary in the performance of the duties assigned to the Secretary, and in assisting the Secretary, each Assistant Secretary shall for such purpose have the powers of the Secretary. During the Secretary's absence or inability or refusal to act, the Secretary's authority and duties shall be possessed by such Assistant Secretary or Assistant Secretaries as the Board may designate.

Section 7.11 <u>Powers of</u> <u>Attorney.</u>

The Company may grant powers of attorney or other authority as appropriate to establish and evidence the authority of the Officers and other Persons.

Section 7.12 <u>Delegation of</u> <u>Authority</u>.

Unless otherwise provided by this Agreement or by resolution of the Board, no Officer shall have the power or authority to delegate to any Person such Officer's rights and powers as an Officer to manage the business and affairs of the Company.

Section 7.13 <u>Compensation and</u> <u>Expenses.</u>

The salaries or other compensation, if any, of the Officers and agents of the Company shall be fixed from time to time by the Board; *provided, however,* that no such Officer or agent shall have any contractual rights against the Company for compensation by virtue of such election or appointment beyond the date of the election or appointment of such Person's successor, such Person's death, such Person's resignation or such Person's removal, whichever event shall first occur, except as otherwise provided in an employment contract or under an employee deferred compensation plan.

The Officers and agents shall be entitled to be reimbursed for out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in the course of their service hereunder.

Section 7.14 <u>Removal</u>.

Any Officer elected, or agent appointed, by the Board may be removed, either with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board whenever, in their judgment, the best interests of the Company would be served thereby.

Section 7.15 Vacancies.

A newly created elected office and a vacancy in any elected office because of death, resignation or removal may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term at any meeting of the Board.

ARTICLE MEMBER MEETINGS

Section 8.01 Meetings.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all acts of the Members to be taken hereunder shall be taken in the manner provided in this Article VIII. An annual meeting of the Members for the transaction of business as may properly come before the meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Board shall specify from time to time. Special meetings of the Members may be called by the Board or by any Member. A Member shall call a meeting by delivering to the Board one or more requests in writing stating that the signing Member wishes to call a meeting and indicating the general or specific purposes for which the meeting is to be called.

Section 8.02 <u>Notice of a</u> <u>Meeting</u>.

Notice of a meeting called pursuant to Section 8.01 shall be given to the Members in writing by mail or other means of communication in accordance with Section 14.02. The notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time when deposited in the mail or sent by other means of communication.

Attendance of a Member at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Member attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 8.03 <u>Action by Consent of</u> <u>Members.</u>

Notwithstanding any provision contained in this Article VIII, any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Members may be taken without a meeting if a written consent setting forth such action is signed by the Members holding not less than the minimum percentage of the Membership Interests that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all of the Members entitled to vote on such matter were present and voted.

Section 8.04 <u>Member</u> <u>Vote</u>.

Unless a provision of this Agreement specifically provides otherwise, any provision of this Agreement requiring the authorization of, or action taken by, the Members shall require the approval of the Members holding a majority of the Membership Interests.

Section 8.05 <u>In the Event of a Sole</u> <u>Member</u>.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, at any time at which there is only a single Person serving as a Member of the Company, any provision herein that requires a Member to make a delivery to, or to obtain the consent of, the other Members of the Company shall be disregarded until such time as an additional Person is admitted as Member of the Company.

ARTICLE IX INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS

Section 9.01 Indemnification.

(a) To the fullest extent permitted by Applicable Law, but subject to the limitations expressly provided in this Agreement, all Indemnitees shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, whether joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which any Indemnitee may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of the Indemnitee's serving or having served, or taking or having taken any action or inaction, in such capacity on behalf of or for the benefit of the Company or the Partnership or any other member of the Partnership Group; *provided, however*, that the Indemnitee shall not be indemnified and held harmless if there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this Section 9.01, the Indemnitee acted in bad faith, engaged in fraud or willful misconduct or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful. Any indemnification pursuant to this Section 9.01 shall be made only out of the assets of the Company, it being agreed that the Members shall not be liable for such indemnification and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Company to enable it to effectuate such indemnification. The indemnification and advancement of expenses and any other indemnification or similar rights of an Indemnitee shall be secondary to the Company's obligations under this Section 9.01.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted by Applicable Law, expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by an Indemnitee who is indemnified pursuant to Section 9.01(a) in defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Company prior to the final disposition of such claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding, upon receipt by the

Company of any undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnitee to repay such amount if it shall be determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized in this Section 9.01.

(c) The indemnification provided by this Section 9.01 shall be in addition to any other rights to which an Indemnitee may be entitled under any agreement, as a matter of law or otherwise, both as to actions in the Indemnitee's capacity as an Indemnitee and as to actions in any other capacity, and shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to serve in such capacity and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns and administrators of the Indemnitee.

(d) The Company shall purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of the Company, its Affiliates, the Board, the Officers and such other Persons as the Board shall determine, against any liability that may be asserted against, or expense that may be incurred by, such Person in connection with the Company's activities or such Person's activities on behalf of the Company, regardless of whether the Company would have the power to indemnify such Person against such liability under the provisions of this Agreement.

(e) For purposes of this Section 9.01, (i) the Company shall be deemed to have requested an Indemnitee to serve as fiduciary of an employee benefit plan whenever the performance by the Indemnitee of its duties to the Company also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, the Indemnitee to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; (ii) excise taxes assessed on an Indemnitee with respect to an employee benefit plan pursuant to Applicable Law shall constitute "fines" within the meaning of Section 9.01(a); and (iii) action taken or omitted by the Indemnitee with respect to any employee benefit plan in the performance of the Indemnitee's duties for a purpose reasonably believed by such Indemnitee to be in the best interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose that is in the best interests of the Company.

(f) An Indemnitee shall not be denied indemnification in whole or in part under this Section 9.01 because the Indemnitee had an interest in the transaction with respect to which the indemnification applies if the transaction was otherwise permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

(g) The provisions of this Section 9.01 are for the benefit of the Indemnitees, their heirs, successors, assigns and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights for the benefit of any other Persons.

(h) No amendment, modification or repeal of this Section 9.01 or any provision hereof shall in any manner terminate, reduce or impair the right of any past, present or future Indemnitee to be indemnified by the Company, nor the obligations of the Company to indemnify any such Indemnitee under and in accordance with the provisions of this Section 9.01 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

(i) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, no Indemnitee shall be liable for monetary damages to the Company, the Members or any other Persons who have acquired limited liability company interests in the Company, for losses sustained or liabilities incurred as a result of any act or omission of an Indemnitee unless there has been a final and non-

appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter in question, the Indemnitee acted in bad faith or engaged in fraud, willful misconduct or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was criminal.

(j) Subject to its obligations and duties as set forth in Article VI, the Board and any committee thereof may exercise any of the powers granted to it by this Agreement and perform any of the duties imposed upon it hereunder either directly or by or through the Company's Officers or agents, and neither the Board nor any committee thereof shall be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such Officer or agent appointed by the Board or any committee thereof in good faith.

(k) To the extent that, at law or in equity, an Indemnitee has duties (including fiduciary duties) and liabilities relating thereto to the Company, such Indemnitee, acting in connection with the Company's business or affairs, shall not be liable to the Company or to any Member for its good faith reliance on the provisions of this Agreement. The provisions of this Agreement, to the extent that they restrict or otherwise modify the duties and liabilities of an Indemnitee otherwise existing at law or in equity, are agreed by the Members to replace such other duties and liabilities of such Indemnitee.

(1) Any amendment, modification or repeal of subsections (i), (j) (k) or (l) of this Section 9.01 shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on liability under such subsections as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

ARTICLE TAXES

Section 10.01 <u>Tax</u> <u>Returns</u>.

The Tax Matters Member of the Company (as defined in Section 10.03) shall prepare and timely file (on behalf of the Company) all federal, state, local and foreign tax returns required to be filed by the Company. Each Member shall furnish to the Company all pertinent information in its possession relating to the Company's operations that is necessary to enable the Company's tax returns to be timely prepared and filed. The Company shall bear the costs of the preparation and filing of its returns.

Section 10.02 Tax

Elections.

(a) The Company shall make the following elections on the appropriate tax returns:

- (i) to adopt the calendar year as the Company's fiscal year;
- (ii) to adopt the accrual method of accounting;

(iii) if a distribution of the Company's property as described in Section 734 of the Code occurs, or upon a transfer of Membership Interest as described in Section 743 of the Code occurs, on request by notice from any Member, to elect, pursuant to Section 754 of the Code, to adjust the basis of the Company's properties; and

(iv) any other election that the Members, in their sole discretion, may deem appropriate.

(b) Neither the Company nor any Member shall make an election for the Company to be excluded from the application of the provisions of subchapter K of chapter 1 of subtitle A of the Code or any similar provisions of applicable state, local or foreign law, and no provision of this Agreement (including Section 2.06) shall be construed to sanction or approve such an election.

Section 10.03 <u>Tax Matters</u> <u>Member</u>.

Cheniere Holdings shall be the "tax matters partner" of the Company pursuant to Code Section 6231(a)(7) (the "*Tax Matters Member*"). Any cost or expense incurred by the Tax Matters Member in connection with its duties, including the preparation for or pursuance of administrative or judicial proceedings, shall be paid by the Company. The Tax Matters Member shall take all actions with respect to taxes (including, but not limited to, (a) making, changing or revoking a material tax election, (b) taking a significant position in any tax return, (c) settling or otherwise resolving any audit or other proceeding relating to taxes and (d) extending the statute of limitations with respect to taxes) in its sole discretion.

ARTICLE XI BOOKS, RECORDS, REPORTS AND BANK ACCOUNTS

Section 11.01 <u>Maintenance of</u> <u>Books</u>.

(a) The Company shall (i) maintain books and records, bank accounts and financial statements separate from any other Person, including the Members, (ii) not commingle its assets with those of any other Person, including the Members, (iii) conduct its business in its own name, (iv) pay its own expenses and liabilities out of its own funds, (v) observe all organizational formalities required under the Act, (vi) not guarantee or become obligated for, or pledge its assets for, the debts or liabilities of the Members, or hold out its credit as being available to satisfy the obligations of the Members and (vii) be duly qualified and in good standing as a foreign entity under Applicable Law in each state in which its assets are located and such qualification is necessary or advisable, maintain adequate capital for its operation and business purposes at all times. In addition, the Company shall cause Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, to maintain its separate existence as an entity.

(b) The books of account of the Company shall be (i) maintained on the basis of a fiscal year that is the calendar year, (ii) maintained on an accrual basis in accordance with GAAP, consistently applied and (iii) audited by the Registered Public Accountants at the end of each calendar year.

Section 11.02 Reports.

With respect to each calendar year, the Board shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, and deliver, or cause to be delivered, to each Member such reports, forecasts, studies, budgets and other information as the Members may reasonably request from time to time.

Section 11.03 Bank

Accounts.

Funds of the Company shall be deposited in such banks or other depositories as shall be designated from time to time by the Board. All withdrawals from any such depository shall be made only as authorized by the Board and shall be made only by check, wire transfer, debit memorandum or other written instruction.

ARTICLE DISSOLUTION, WINDING-UP, TERMINATION AND CONVERSION

Section 12.01 Dissolution.

(a) The Company shall dissolve and its affairs shall be wound up on the first to occur of the following events (each, a "Dissolution Event"):

- (i) the unanimous consent of the Board; or
- (ii) entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the Company under Section 18-802 of the Act.
- (b) No other event shall cause a dissolution of the Company.

(c) Upon the occurrence of any event that causes there to be no Members of the Company, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the personal representative of the last remaining Member is hereby authorized to, and shall, within 90 days after the occurrence of the event that terminated the continued membership of the last remaining Member in the Company, agree in writing (i) to continue the Company and (ii) to the admission of the personal representative or its nominee or designee, as the case may be, as a substitute Member of the Company, effective as of the occurrence of the event that terminated the continued membership of the last remaining Member in the Company.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Bankruptcy of a Member shall not cause such Member to cease to be a member of the Company and, upon the occurrence of such an event, the Company shall continue without dissolution.

Section 12.02 <u>Winding-Up</u> and <u>Termination</u>.

(a) On the occurrence of a Dissolution Event of the type described in Section 12.01, the Board shall select one or more Persons to act as liquidator. The liquidator shall proceed diligently to wind up the affairs of the Company and make final distributions as provided herein and in the Act. The costs of winding up shall be borne as a Company expense. Until final distribution, the liquidator shall continue to operate the Company properties with all of the power and authority of the Board. The steps to be accomplished by the liquidator are as follows:

(i) as promptly as possible after dissolution and again after final winding up, the liquidator shall cause a proper accounting to be made by a recognized firm of certified public accountants of the Company's assets, liabilities and operations through the last Day of the month in which the dissolution occurs or the final winding up is completed, as applicable;

(ii) the liquidator shall discharge from Company funds all of the debts, liabilities and obligations of the Company (including all expenses incurred in winding up) or otherwise make adequate provision for payment and discharge thereof (including the establishment of a cash escrow fund for contingent liabilities in such amount and for such term as the liquidator may reasonably determine); and

(iii) all remaining assets of the Company shall be distributed to the Members as follows:

(A) the liquidator may sell any or all Company Property, including to Members, and any resulting gain or loss from each sale shall be computed and allocated to the Capital Accounts of the Members in accordance with the provisions of Article V;

(B) with respect to all Company Property that has not been sold, the fair market value of that property shall be determined and the Capital Accounts of the Members shall be adjusted to reflect the manner in which the unrealized income, gain, loss and deduction inherent in property that has not been reflected in the Capital Accounts previously would be allocated among the Members if there were a taxable disposition of that property for the fair market value of that property on the date of distribution; and

(C) Company Property (including cash) shall be distributed to the Members in accordance with their relative positive Capital Account balances after the allocations pursuant to Section 5.01 have been made.

(b) The distribution of cash or property to a Member in accordance with the provisions of this Section 12.02 constitutes a complete return to the Member of its Capital Contributions and a complete distribution to the Member of its Membership Interest and all of the Company's property and constitutes a compromise to which all Members have consented pursuant to Section 18-502(b) of the Act. To the extent that a Member returns funds to the Company, it has no claim against any other Member for those funds.

Section 12.03 Deficit Capital Accounts.

No Member will be required to pay to the Company, to any other Member or to any third party any deficit balance that may exist from time to time in the Member's Capital Account.

Section 12.04 <u>Certificate of</u> <u>Cancellation</u>.

Upon completion of the distribution of Company assets as provided herein, the Members (or such other Person or Persons as the Act may require or permit) shall file a certificate of cancellation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware and take such other actions as may be necessary to terminate the existence of the Company. Upon the filing of such certificate of cancellation, the existence of the Company shall terminate (and the Term shall end), except as may be otherwise provided by the Act or by Applicable Law.

ARTICLE XIII TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP INTEREST

Section 13.01 Transfers.

(a) The Member may sell, assign or otherwise transfer all or any portion of the Member's Membership Interest at any time to any Person except to the extent prohibited by the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement. Any such transfer shall only be effective upon such transferee executing a joinder to this Agreement.

(b) Any successor to the Company (and any successor general partner of the Partnership) shall be required to assume the obligations of the Company set forth herein and agree to abide by the terms hereof, and to execute legally binding documentation confirming such agreement for the benefit of the Partnership and the Purchaser.

ARTICLE XIV GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 14.01 Offset.

Whenever the Company is to pay any sum to any Member, any amounts that Member owes the Company may be deducted from that sum before payment.

Section 14.02 Notices.

Except as expressly set forth to the contrary in this Agreement, all notices, demands, requests, consents, approvals or other communications required or permitted to be given hereunder or that are given with respect to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally served, delivered by reputable air courier service with charges prepaid, or transmitted by hand delivery, telegram, telex, facsimile or electronic mail, addressed as set forth below, or to such other address as such party shall have specified most recently by written notice. Notice shall be deemed given on the date of service or transmission if personally served or transmitted by telegram, telex, facsimile or electronic mail. Notice otherwise sent as provided herein shall be deemed given upon delivery of such notice:

To the Company:

Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Attn: President Telephone: (713) 375-5000 Fax: (713) 375-6000

To Cheniere LNG Holdings, LLC:

Cheniere LNG Holdings, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Attn: President Telephone: (713) 375-5000 Fax: (713) 375-6000

To the Purchaser:

Blackstone CQP Holdco LP 345 Park Avenue, 44th Floor New York, New York 10154 Attn: David Foley Sean Klimczak Telephone: (212) 583-5000 Fax: (646) 253-7517

with a copy to:

Latham & Watkins LLP 885 Third Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attn: David S. Allinson Charles E. Carpenter Telephone: (212) 906-1200 Fax: (212) 751-4864

Whenever any notice is required to be given by Applicable Law, the Certificate or this Agreement, a written waiver thereof, signed by the Person entitled to notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

Section 14.03 Entire Agreement; Superseding Effect.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the Members, in such capacity, relative to the formation, operation and continuation of the Company and supersedes all prior contracts or agreements with respect to such subject matter, whether oral or written.

Section 14.04 Effect of Waiver or Consent.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, a waiver or consent, express or implied, to or of any breach or default by any Person in the performance by that Person of its obligations with respect to the Company is not a consent or waiver to or of any other breach or default in the performance by that Person of the same or any other obligations of that Person with respect to the Company. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, failure on the part of a Person to complain of any act of any Person or to declare any Person in default with respect to the Company, irrespective of how long that failure continues, does not constitute a waiver by that Person of its rights with respect to that default until the applicable statute-of-limitations period has run.

Section 14.05 <u>Amendment or</u> <u>Restatement</u>.

No amendment, alteration or modification of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless such amendment, alteration or modification is approved in writing by each Member and, during the Investor Approval Period, with respect to any amendment, alteration or modification that could reasonably be expected to adversely affect the Purchaser in any material respect, the Purchaser's prior written approval shall be required (which shall specifically include any changes to Article VI and Article IX). Furthermore, Cheniere Holdings and any other Members shall require that any new or amended limited liability company agreement, operating agreement or document of similar effect of the Company (including any successor thereto and any successor general partner of the Partnership) shall contain all of the rights granted to the Purchaser contemplated by this Agreement, including the existence of the Executive Committee (and the corresponding rights of the Executive Committee) and the size and composition of the Board.

Section 14.06 <u>Binding</u> <u>Effect</u>.

This Agreement is binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the Members, the Purchaser and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

Section 14.07 <u>Governing Law;</u> <u>Severability</u>.

THIS AGREEMENT IS GOVERNED BY AND SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, EXCLUDING ANY CONFLICT-OF-LAWS RULE OR PRINCIPLE THAT MIGHT REFER THE GOVERNANCE OR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS AGREEMENT TO THE LAW OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION. In the event of a direct conflict between the provisions of this Agreement and any mandatory, non-waivable provision of the Act, such provision of the Act shall control. If any provision of the Act provides that it may be varied or superseded in a limited liability company agreement (or otherwise by agreement of the members or managers of a limited liability company), such provision shall be deemed superseded and waived in its entirety if this Agreement contains a provision addressing the same issue or subject matter. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance is held invalid or unenforceable to any extent, (a) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of that provision to other Person or circumstances is not affected thereby and that provision shall be enforced to the greatest extent permitted by Applicable Law, and (b) the Members and the Purchaser shall negotiate in good faith to replace that provision with a new provision that is valid and enforceable and that puts the Members and the Purchaser in substantially the same economic, business and legal position as they would have been in if the original provision had been valid and enforceable.

Section 14.08 <u>Further</u> <u>Assurances</u>.

In connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, each Member and the Purchaser shall execute and deliver any additional documents and instruments and perform any additional acts that may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and perform the provisions of this Agreement and those transactions applicable to such Person.

Section 14.09 Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts with the same effect as if all signing parties had signed the same document. All counterparts shall be construed together and constitute the same instrument.

Section 14.10 <u>Purchaser</u> <u>Assignment</u>

During the Investor Approval Period, upon written notice to the Company, the Purchaser shall be permitted to assign any of its rights hereunder to any Person to whom the Purchaser has transferred any of its Class B Units or Registrable Securities (as defined in the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement) in compliance with the Basic Documents and such transferor shall become "Purchaser" hereunder upon its execution of a written joinder hereto; *provided*, that such successor "Purchaser" must be an Affiliate controlled by Blackstone Management Partners L.L.C. or the Blackstone Group L.P.

Section 14.11 Good Faith

The parties shall act promptly and in good faith when exercising any approval rights contained herein, and no such approvals shall be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the sole Member and the Purchaser have executed this Agreement as of the date first set forth above.

MEMBER

CHENIERE LNG HOLDINGS, LLC

By:

Name:	
Title:	

PURCHASER:

BLACKSTONE CQP HOLDCO LP

By: CQP HOLDCO GP LLC, its general partner

By:

Name: _______Title: ______

EXHIBIT A

<u>MEMBER</u> Cheniere LNG Holdings, LLC MEMBERSHIP INTEREST 100% CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION \$1,000.00

INVESTORS' AND REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

among

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC., CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC, CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P., CHENIERE LNG TERMINALS, INC.,

and

BLACKSTONE CQP HOLDCO LP

and

the other INVESTORS named herein

Dated as of [____], 2012

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INVESTORS' AND REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This **Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement** (this "**Agreement**") is made and entered into as of [_____], 2012, by and among (i) Cheniere Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), (ii) Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "**General Partner**"), (iii) Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**CQP**"), (iv) Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and (v) Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "**Purchaser**" or the "**Investor**" and together with all assignees of Investor's rights pursuant to <u>Section 4.4.6</u>, collectively the "**Investors**").

WITNESSETH:

This Agreement is made in connection with the sale of Class B Units of CQP to (i) the Purchaser pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 14, 2012, by and among CQP, the Company and the Purchaser (the "**Unit Purchase Agreement**"), (ii) to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. pursuant to the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 14, 2012, by and among CQP, the Company and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. (the "**CEI Unit Purchase Agreement**") and (iii) to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. pursuant to the Subscription Agreement, dated as of May 14, 2012, by and among CQP, the Company and Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. (the "**CEI Unit Purchase Agreement**") and (iii) to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. (the "**Subscription Agreement**").

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by each party hereto, the parties hereby agree (in the case of the Investors, severally and not jointly) as follows:

1 Definitions

1.1 Definitions of Certain Terms

For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the indicated meanings:

"Actual Conversion Date" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, any other Person, whether now in existence or hereafter created, directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by Contract or otherwise. Any Affiliate of the Company, the General Partner or the Partnership Group shall not be deemed an Affiliate of the Purchaser for purposes of this Agreement.

"Agreement" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"AMEX" means the NYSE Amex Equities.

"Automatic Shelf Registration Statement" is defined in Section 3.1.1.

"Banking Regulations" means all federal, state and foreign Laws applicable to banks, bank holding companies and their Affiliates, including the Bank Holding Company Act and the Federal Reserve Act.

"Basic Documents" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Business Day" means any day other than Saturday or Sunday which are not recognized holidays for either national banking associations and the SEC.

"CEI Board" is defined in Section 5.4.

"CEI Unit Purchase Agreement" is defined in the recitals of this Agreement.

"Class B Units" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Common Units" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Company" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Competing Assets" is defined in Section 6.4.

"Competing Asset Opportunity" is defined in Section 6.4.

"Company's Counsel" is defined in Section 3.7.2.

"**Company Holder**" means each of the wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company party to the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement and Subscription Agreement or its respective eligible transferees, so long as such Person holds Registrable Securities.

"Competing MLP" is defined in <u>Section 6.4</u>.

"Confidential Information" is defined in Section 4.2.1.

"Consultant" is defined in <u>Section 4.1.2</u>.

"**Contract**" means any contract, agreement, indenture, note, bond, mortgage, deed of trust, loan, instrument, lease, license, commitment or other arrangement, understanding, undertaking, commitment or obligation, whether written or oral.

"Conversion Units" means the Common Units issuable upon conversion of any Class B Units pursuant to the terms of the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"CQP" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"CQP Board" means the board of directors of the General Partner.

"CQP Partnership Agreement" means the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of CQP, entered into in connection with the Initial Funding, as such agreement may be amended from time to time (or any similar governing document of any successor).

"Effectiveness Period" is defined in Section 3.1.4.

"EPC Contract" has the meaning set forth in the General Partner LLC Agreement.

"Evaluation Material" means all information provided to the Purchaser or the Purchaser's Representatives by the Company or the Company's Representatives in connection with the investment by the Purchaser made pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement, including all analyses, compilations, forecasts, studies or other documents prepared by or for the Purchaser or the Purchaser's Representatives that contain or reflect any such information, whether provided or created before, on or after the date of this Agreement.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor federal statute, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, in each case as in effect from time to time.

"Filing Date" is defined in <u>Section 3.1.4</u>.

"Financing" means any debt or equity financing or refinancing to be offered or incurred by any member of the Partnership Group following the date hereof.

"Follow-on Funding" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"General Partner" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"General Partner LLC Agreement" means the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner, entered into in connection with the Initial Funding, as such agreement may be amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time (or any similar governing document or any successor).

"Governmental Authority" means any federal, national, supranational, state, provincial, local or other government, governmental, regulatory or administrative authority, agency or commission or any court, tribunal or judicial or arbitral body.

"Independent CQP Directors" has the meaning set forth in the General Partner LLC Agreement.

"Initial Funding" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Initial Funding Date" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Investor(s)" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Investor Approval Period" means the period beginning on the date hereof and ending on the date that the Investors and their respective Affiliates and successors (the "Investors Group") collectively own (including any Remaining Units not yet purchased pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement) less than (i) 20% of the aggregate number of outstanding Common Units, Subordinated Units and Class B Units (measured on an as-converted basis) and (ii) 50,000,000¹ Common Unit Equivalents (as defined in the Partnership Agreement) (adjusted for splits and combinations).

"Investor CQP Directors" has the meaning set forth in the General Partner LLC Agreement.

"Investors' Counsel" is defined in Section 3.7.2.

"Joinder Agreement" means a joinder agreement in the form attached as Exhibit A.

"Law" means any applicable federal, state, local or foreign order, writ, injunction, judgment, settlement, award, decree, statute, law, rule, rule of common law or regulation promulgated by a Governmental Authority.

"Lead Investor" is defined in Section 3.4.2.

"Liquefaction Project" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Losses" is defined in <u>Section 3.8.1</u>.

"Managing Underwriter" means, with respect to any Underwritten Offering, the book running lead manager of such Underwritten Offering.

"Notice" is defined in <u>Section 6.1.1</u>.

"Participating Investor" means an Investor or a Company Holder who is selling Registrable Securities pursuant to a Registration Statement.

"Partnership Group" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"**Person**" means an individual, corporation, association, trust, limited liability company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, partnership, incorporated organization, or other entity or group (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act).

"Piggyback Registration" is defined in Section 3.5.1.

"Property Insurance" is defined in <u>Section 5.3</u>.

"Purchaser" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement.

¹ To the extent the Purchaser exercises its Upsize Option pursuant to Section 2.01 of the Unit Purchase Agreement, the reference to 50,000,000 Common Unit Equivalents shall be increased by 0.5 Common Unit Equivalents for each "Additional Unit" which the Purchaser commits to purchase pursuant to such Upsize Option.



"Purchaser Nominee" is defined in Section 5.4.

"**Registrable Securities**" means any and all Common Units held by an Investor, a Company Holder or their respective Affiliates; *provided* that, any Common Unit shall cease to be a Registrable Security if (i) a Registration Statement covering such Registrable Security has been declared effective by the SEC and such Registrable Security has been sold or disposed of pursuant to such effective Registration Statement; (ii) such Registrable Security has been disposed of pursuant to any section of Rule 144 (or any similar provision then in force under the Securities Act); (iii) such Registrable Security is held by any member of the Partnership Group; or (iv) such Registrable Security is eligible for resale under Rule 144(b)(1) without restriction or limitation.

"Registration Expenses" is defined in Section 3.7.1.

"Registration Request" is defined in <u>Section 3.2</u>.

"Registration Statement" means the prospectus and other documents filed with the SEC to effect a registration under the Securities Act.

"**Regulatory Problem**" means any set of facts or circumstances in which the ownership by an Investor or its equity holders, directly or indirectly, of any Registrable Securities (i) gives rise to a material violation of applicable Law, or gives rise to a reasonable belief by an Investor (based on advice of counsel) that such violation will arise, (ii) gives rise to a limitation under applicable Law that will impair materially the ability of an Investor or its equity holders to conduct its business or gives rise to a reasonable belief by an Investor (based on advice of counsel) that such a limitation will arise, or (iii) gives rise to a requirement under applicable Law, including Banking Regulations and applicable securities Laws, that such Registrable Securities be Transferred to a third party.

"**Representative**" means, (i) with respect to a specified Person, the officers, directors, managers, employees, agents, counsel, accountants, investment bankers, and other representatives of such Person and, (ii) when used with respect to the Purchaser or an Investor, also includes such Person's direct and indirect stockholders, partners, members, subsidiaries, parent companies and other Affiliates.

"Restricted Period" is defined in Section 4.4.1.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or any other federal agency at the time administering the Securities Act.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any successor federal statute, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, in each case as in effect from time to time.

"Service Agreements" has the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Service Companies" is defined in Section 4.4.3.

"Shelf Registration Statement" is defined in Section 3.1.3.

"Significant Event" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Significant Holder" is defined in Section 4.1.1.

"Subordinated Units" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Subscription Agreement" is defined in the recitals of this Agreement.

"Subsidiary" or "Subsidiaries" has the meaning set forth in the CQP Partnership Agreement.

"Traditional Shelf Registration Statement" is defined in Section 3.1.3.

"**Transfer**" means (i) with respect to any asset, take any action or enter into any transaction or arrangement that sells, assigns, conveys, exchanges, transfers to another Person or is designed to, or might reasonably be expected to, result in the sale, assignment, conveyance, exchange or transfer to any Person; and (ii) with respect to any securities, (A) offer, sell, Contract to sell, sell any option or Contract to purchase, purchase any option or Contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, lend or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly or (B) enter into any swap or other transaction or arrangement that sells, assigns, conveys, exchanges, transfers or that is designed to, or that might reasonably be expected to, result in the sale, assignment, conveyance, exchange or transfer to another, in whole or in part, of any of the economic consequences of ownership of such securities.

"Underwritten Offering" means an offering (including an offering pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement) in which Common Units are sold to an underwriter on a firm commitment basis for reoffering to the public or an offering that is a "bought deal" with one or more investment banks.

"Unit Purchase Agreement" is defined in the recitals of this Agreement.

"WKSI" is defined in <u>Section 3.1.1</u>.

1.2 Headings; Table of Contents

Headings and table of contents should be ignored in construing this Agreement.

1.3 Singular, Plural, Gender

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, references to one gender include all genders and references to the singular include the plural and vice versa.

1.4 Interpretation

Article and Section references in this Agreement are references to the corresponding Article

and Section in this Agreement, unless otherwise specified. All references to instruments, documents and Contracts are references to such instruments, documents and Contracts as the same may be amended, supplemented and otherwise modified from time to time, unless otherwise specified. The word "including" shall mean "including but not limited to" and shall not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it. Whenever any member of the Partnership Group has an obligation under this Agreement, the expense of complying with that obligation shall be an expense of CQP unless otherwise specified. Any reference in this Agreement to "\$" shall mean U.S. dollars. Whenever any determination, consent or approval is to be made or given by any Investor, such action shall be in such Investor's sole discretion, unless otherwise specified in this Agreement. When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period shall be excluded. If the last day of such period is a non-Business Day, the period in question shall end on the next succeeding Business Day. The words such as "herein," "hereinafter," "hereof" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a subdivision in which such words appear unless the context otherwise requires.

2 Corporate Governance

2.1 General Partner LLC Agreement Amendments

- **2.1.1** During the Investor Approval Period, the Company shall not, and the Company shall cause the members of the General Partner not to, amend the General Partner LLC Agreement in a manner that would be adverse to the rights and economics of the Investors in any material respect without the prior written consent of each of the Investor CQP Directors.
- **2.1.2** During the Investor Approval Period, the Company and CQP shall require any successor to the General Partner to assume the obligations of the General Partner set forth herein and agree to abide by the terms hereof, and to execute legally binding documentation confirming such agreement for the benefit of CQP and the Investors.

3 Registration Rights

3.1 Shelf

Registrations

3.1.1 Up to and until such time as CQP both (a) qualifies as a "well-known seasoned issuer" as such term is defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act (a "WKSI") and (b) has filed an automatic shelf Registration Statement using Form S-3 or any comparable or successor form or forms or any similar short-form registration (the "Automatic Shelf Registration Statement"), which has been declared effective, and which each Investor and each Company Holder may use to sell any or all Registrable Securities owned by such Investor or such Company Holder, CQP shall use its best efforts to undertake

the acts described in this <u>Section 3.1</u>. After such time as CQP is qualified as a WKSI, and only so long as (x) the Automatic Shelf Registration Statement remains effective and (y) each Investor and each Company Holder may continue to use the Automatic Shelf Registration Statement to sell any or all Registrable Securities owned by such Investor or such Company Holder, where anything in this <u>Section 3.1</u> requires that CQP take any actions, CQP shall use its reasonable best efforts to undertake the acts described below in this <u>Section 3.1</u>.

- **3.1.2** If eligible, CQP shall file an Automatic Shelf Registration Statement for the then-outstanding Common Units issued upon conversion of Class B Units and the Conversion Units, and the sale of such Common Units on a continuous or delayed basis, and with a plan of distribution limited to firm commitment underwritings pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act upon or immediately after the occurrence of any event that would give a holder of Class B Units the right to optional conversion of such Class B Units to Common Units pursuant to the CQP Partnership Agreement.
- **3.1.3** Promptly after the initial Actual Conversion Date in which Common Units with a fair market value of at least \$100 million are or have been received upon conversion of the Class B Units, if (i) an Automatic Registration Statement previously filed by CQP prior to the Actual Conversion Date has been declared effective and (ii) each Investor and each Company Holder has been able to use such Automatic Registration Statement to sell any or all Registrable Securities owned by such Investor or such Company Holder, CQP shall file a Registration Statement using Form S-3 or any comparable or successor form or forms or any similar short form registration (the "**Traditional Shelf Registration Statement**"; and together with the Automatic Shelf Registration Statement, the "**Shelf Registration Statements**") for the sale of such Registrable Securities on a continuous or delayed basis and without limitation as to methods of distribution pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act from and after the initial Actual Conversion Date.
- **3.1.4** Upon filing any Shelf Registration Statement, CQP will, if applicable, (i) cause such Traditional Shelf Registration Statement to be declared effective as soon as practicable (the "Filing Date"), (ii) keep such Shelf Registration Statement effective with the SEC until all Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement have been distributed in the manner set forth and as contemplated in such Shelf Registration Statement or until there are no longer any Registrable Securities outstanding (the "Effectiveness Period"), *provided* that after the initial Actual Conversion Date, so long as the Traditional Shelf Registration Statement is then effective and includes all Registrable Securities, CQP may elect to file an application for the withdrawal of an Automatic Shelf Registration Statement filed prior to the

initial Actual Conversion Date and (iii) add additional Registrable Securities as Class B Units become Conversion Units. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 3.1 or in Section 3.6, any Shelf Registration Statement shall be re-filed upon its expiration, and CQP shall cooperate in any shelf take-down by amending or supplementing the prospectus related to such Shelf Registration Statement as may be reasonably requested by a Participating Investor or as otherwise required. Each Shelf Registration Statement when declared effective (including the documents incorporated therein by reference) will comply as to form with all applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading (and, in the case of any prospectus contained in such Shelf Registration Statement, in the light of the circumstances under which such statements are made). As soon as practicable following the date that such Shelf Registration Statement becomes effective, but in any event within three (3) Business Days of such date, CQP shall provide the Participating Investors with written Notice of the effectiveness of the Shelf Registration Statement.

3.2 Demand Registration

If CQP has not filed, and caused to be effective and maintained the effectiveness of, a Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to <u>Section</u> <u>3.1</u>, any Investor or any Company Holder may request in writing that CQP effect the registration on a Registration Statement (whether on Form S-1, S-3 or such other form as is required under the circumstances) of all or any part of the Registrable Securities held by such Investor or Company Holder (a "**Registration Request**"); *provided*, that such Investor or such Company Holder reasonably anticipates gross proceeds of greater than \$100,000,000 from the sales of Registrable Securities in connection with such Registration Request. Promptly after its receipt of any Registration Request but no later than ten (10) days after receipt of such Registration Request, CQP will give written Notice of such request to the other Investors and Company Holders, and will use its reasonable best efforts to register, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, all Registrable Securities that have been requested to be registered in the Registration Request or by the Participating Investors by written Notice to CQP given within fifteen (15) Business Days after the date CQP has given such Notice of the Registration Request.

3.3 Delay Rights

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, CQP may, upon written Notice to any Participating Investor whose Registrable Securities are included in the Shelf Registration Statement, suspend such Participating Investor's use of any prospectus which is a part of the Shelf Registration Statement (in which event the Participating Investor shall discontinue sales of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement other than the closing of sales already committed for prior to receipt of such Notice to suspend) if CQP (i) is pursuing a material acquisition, disposition, financing, reorganization,

recapitalization or similar transaction and determines in good faith that its ability to pursue or consummate such a transaction would be materially and adversely affected by any required disclosure of such transaction in the Shelf Registration Statement or related prospectus or (ii) has experienced some other material non-public event, in the case of each of clauses (i) and (ii), the disclosure of which at such time, in the good faith judgment of the CQP Board, would materially and adversely affect CQP; *provided, however*, that in no event shall the Participating Investors be suspended more than three times for a total of ninety (90) days in the aggregate in any 365-day period (exclusive of days covered by any lock-up agreement executed by a Participating Investor in connection with any Underwritten Offering by CQP or the Participating Investors). Upon disclosure of such information or the termination of the condition described above, CQP shall provide prompt Notice to the Participating Investors whose Registrable Securities are included in the Shelf Registration Statement, and shall promptly terminate any suspension of sales it has put into effect and shall take such other actions to permit registered sales of Registrable Securities as contemplated in this Agreement. CQP will pay all Registration Expenses incurred in connection with any such aborted registration.

3.4 Underwritten Offerings

- **3.4.1** In the event that any Participating Investor (or group of Participating Investors) elects to dispose of Registrable Securities under a Shelf Registration Statement by means of an Underwritten Offering and reasonably anticipates gross proceeds of greater than \$100,000,000, CQP shall, at the request of such Participating Investors, enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the Managing Underwriter(s), which shall include, among other provisions, indemnities to the effect and to the extent provided in <u>Section 3.8</u>, and shall take all such other reasonable actions as are requested by the Managing Underwriter(s) to expedite or facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities.
- **3.4.2** The Managing Underwriter(s) to administer an Underwritten Offering requested by a Participating Investor will be chosen by the Participating Investor(s) selling a majority (or if no consensus of a majority is obtained, by the Participating Investor selling the greatest number) of Registrable Securities being sold pursuant to such Underwritten Offering (as compared to the other Participating Investors selling Registrable Securities in such Underwritten Offering); *provided*, that if such Underwritten Offering is a Piggyback Registration, then the Managing Underwriter shall be chosen by CQP. The Participating Investor(s) entitled to designate the Managing Underwriter pursuant to this <u>Section 3.4.2</u>, shall be referred to as the "Lead Investor".
- **3.4.3** Any Participating Investor shall notify CQP and the Lead Investor of its election to participate in an Underwritten Offering and the number of Registrable Securities desired to be included therein within ten (10) days

after request for such information from CQP or other Participating Investors. No Participating Investor may participate in any Underwritten Offering unless such Participating Investor (i) agrees to sell its Registrable Securities on the basis provided in an underwriting agreement to be entered into by CQP, the Participating Investors and the Managing Underwriter(s), which shall contain such representations, covenants, indemnities and other rights and obligations as are customary in underwriting agreements for firm commitment offerings of equity securities and (ii) completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, indemnities and other documents that are customary and reasonably required under the terms of such underwriting agreement. Each Participating Investor may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, CQP to and for the benefit of such Managing Underwriter(s) also be made to and for such Participating Investor's benefit and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such Managing Underwriter(s) under such underwriting agreement also be conditions precedent to its obligations. No Participating Investor shall be required to make any representations or warranties to a agreements with CQP or the Managing Underwriter(s) other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Investor and its ownership of the Registrable Securities being registered on its behalf and its intended method of distribution and any other representation required by Law. Each Participating Investor shall cooperate with CQP's reasonable requests in connection with an Underwritten Offering (it being understood that CQP's failure to perform its obligations hereunder, which failure is caused by such Participating Investor's failure to cooperate with such reasonable requests, will not constitute a breach by CQP of this Agreement). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the liability of any Participating Inves

3.4.4 CQP will not include in any Underwritten Offering requested by a Participating Investor pursuant to this <u>Section 3.4</u> any securities that are not Registrable Securities without the prior written consent of the Lead Investor. If the Managing Underwriter(s) advises CQP that in its reasonable opinion the number of Registrable Securities (and, if permitted hereunder, other securities requested to be included in such offering) exceeds the number of securities that can be sold in such offering without adversely affecting the marketability of the offering (including a material adverse effect on the per unit offering price), CQP will include in such offering only such number of

securities that in the reasonable opinion of such Managing Underwriter(s) can be sold without adversely affecting the marketability of the offering (including a material adverse effect on the per unit offering price), which securities will be so included in the following order of priority: (i) first, Registrable Securities of the Participating Investors selling Registrable Securities, *pro rata* (if applicable), based on the number of Registrable Securities owned by each such Participating Investor, and (ii) second, any other securities of CQP that have been requested to be so included (including securities being issued by CQP or to be sold by other holders of Common Units with registration rights), subject to the terms of this Agreement.

3.5 Piggyback Registration Rights

- **3.5.1** Whenever CQP proposes to register any of its Common Units in connection with a public offering of such securities solely for cash, other than a registration on Form S-4 or Form S-8 (or any successor form), and the registration form to be filed may be used for the registration or qualification for distribution of Registrable Securities, CQP will give prompt written Notice to the Investors and the Company Holders of its intention to effect such a registration (but in no event less than ten (10) days prior to the anticipated filing date) and, subject to Section 3.4.3, will include in such registration all Registrable Securities with respect to which CQP has received written requests for inclusion therein within ten (10) days after the date of CQP's Notice (a "**Piggyback Registration**"). Any such Participating Investor that has made such a written request may withdraw its Registrable Securities from such Piggyback Registration by giving prompt written Notice to CQP and the Managing Underwriter(s), if any, on or before the fifth (5th) Business Day prior to the planned effective date of such Piggyback Registration. CQP may terminate or withdraw any registration under this <u>Section 3.5.1</u> prior to the effectiveness of such registration, whether or not the Investors have elected to include Registrable Securities in such registration; *provided*, that if a take down from a Shelf Registration Statement is terminated by CQP, the Investors may continue such offering under the applicable provisions of <u>Section 3.</u>
- **3.5.2** If the registration referred to in <u>Section 3.5.1</u> is proposed to be underwritten, CQP will so advise the Participating Investors as a part of the written Notice given pursuant to <u>Section 3.4.1</u>. In such event, the right of the Participating Investors to registration pursuant to this <u>Section 3.5</u> will be conditioned upon such Participating Investor's participation in such underwriting and the inclusion of such Participating Investor's Registrable Securities in the underwriting, and each such Participating Investor will (together with CQP and the other Persons distributing their securities through such underwriting) enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the underwriter or underwriters selected for such underwriting by CQP. If any Participating

Investor disapproves of the terms of the underwriting, such Participating Investor may promptly elect to withdraw therefrom by written Notice to CQP and the Managing Underwriter(s).

3.5.3 If a Piggyback Registration relates to an Underwritten Offering, and the Managing Underwriter(s) advises CQP that in its reasonable opinion the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold without adversely affecting the marketability of such offering (including a meaningful adverse effect on the per share offering price), CQP will include in such registration or prospectus only such number of securities that in the reasonable opinion of such Managing Underwriter(s) can be sold without adversely affecting the marketability of the offering (including a meaningful adverse effect on the per share offering price), which securities will be so included in the following order of priority: (i) first, securities that CQP, or any requesting holder (or holders) other than the Participating Investors, proposes to sell; provided, however, that if such offering is not COP's first primary issuance during any twelve month period and the Participating Investors exercising piggyback registration rights were cut back in any CQP offering during such twelve month period, then CQP and the Participating Investors selling Registrable Securities in such offering shall participate therein pro rata, and (ii) second, the Registrable Securities of the Participating Investors selling Registrable Securities, pro rata (if applicable), based on the number of Registrable Securities owned by each such Participating Investor that have been requested to be so included, subject to the terms of this Agreement. In the event any other holder of Common Units with piggyback registration rights desires to participate in an Underwritten Offering requested by COP, such Persons shall be entitled to participate in accordance with the foregoing, pro rata, as if they were a Participating Investor under this Agreement. In the event any other holder of Common Units with piggyback registration rights desires to participate in an Underwritten Offering requested by a Participating Investor, such Persons shall be entitled to participate in accordance with the allocations set forth in Section 3.4.4, pro rata as part of any other securities of CQP that have been requested to be so included, subject to the terms of this Agreement.

3.6 Registration Procedures

In connection with its obligations under this Section 3, CQP shall:

3.6.1 Prepare and file with the SEC the Registration Statements with respect to the Registrable Securities in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and make all required filings with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority; *provided* that, before filing the Registration Statements or any amendments or supplements thereto, CQP will furnish or otherwise make available to the Investors' Counsel and the Company's Counsel copies of all

such documents proposed to be filed and such other documents reasonably requested by such counsel and provide each Participating Investor the opportunity to object to any information pertaining to such Participating Investor and its plan of distribution that is contained in the Registration Statements and make the corrections reasonably requested by such Participating Investor with respect to such information prior to filing the Registration Statements or supplement or amendment thereto;

- **3.6.2** Prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and supplements to the Registration Statements as may be necessary to keep (i) unless otherwise provided in <u>Section 3.1</u>, with respect to a Shelf Registration Statement, such Shelf Registration Statement effective for the Effectiveness Period and (ii) with respect to any other Registration Statement contemplated by this Agreement, such other Registration Statement effective for a period of at least 90 days, and as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of the securities covered by such Registration Statement;
- **3.6.3** Furnish to each Participating Investor, and each Managing Underwriter, if any, such number of copies, without charge, of any Registration Statement, each amendment and supplement thereto, including each preliminary prospectus, final prospectus, any other prospectus (including any prospectus filed under Rule 424, Rule 430A or Rule 430B of the Securities Act and any "issuer free writing prospectus" as such term is defined under Rule 433 promulgated under the Securities Act), all exhibits and other documents filed therewith and such other documents as such Participating Investor or such Managing Underwriter may reasonably request including in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Participating Investor, and upon request a copy of any and all transmittal letters or other correspondence to or received from, the SEC or any other Governmental Authority relating to such offer;
- **3.6.4** Use reasonable best efforts to register or qualify (or exempt from registration or qualification) such Registrable Securities, and keep such registration or qualification (or exemption therefrom) effective, under such other securities or blue sky Laws of such United States jurisdictions as any Participating Investor reasonably requests and do any and all other acts and things that may be reasonably necessary or reasonably advisable to enable such Participating Investor to consummate the disposition in such jurisdictions of the Registrable Securities owned by such Participating Investor (*provided* that, CQP will not be required to (i) qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this subsection, (ii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction, or (iii) consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction);

- **3.6.5** Promptly notify each Participating Investor and each Managing Underwriter, if any, at any time when a prospectus relating thereto is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, upon discovery that, or upon the discovery of the happening of any event that makes any statement made in any Registration Statement or related prospectus or any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated therein by reference untrue in any material respect or that requires the making of any changes in such Registration Statement, prospectus or documents and, as soon as reasonably practicable (but subject to the delay provisions of <u>Section 3.3</u>), prepare, and furnish to such Participating Investor and Managing Underwriter, a reasonable number of copies of a supplement or amendment to such prospectus so that, in the case of the Registration Statement, it will not contain any untrue statements therein, not misleading, and, in the case of any prospectus, it will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading;
- **3.6.6** Promptly notify each Participating Investor and each Managing Underwriter, if any, (i) when any Registration Statement or the prospectus or any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed and, with respect to such Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective, (ii) of any request by the SEC for amendments or supplements to such Registration Statement or to amend or to supplement such prospectus or for additional information, (iii) of the issuance by the SEC of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Registration Statement or the initiation of any proceedings for such purpose, to the extent that it is aware of such proceedings, (iv) if at any time the representations and warranties of CQP contained in any underwriting agreement contemplated by <u>Section 3.6.10</u> below cease to be true and correct in any material respect, and (v) of the receipt by CQP of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification or exemption from qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction, or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose. Upon the occurrence of an event contemplated in <u>Section 3.6.6(ii)</u> or <u>3.6.6(v)</u>, CQP shall take such action as is commercially reasonable to remove a stop order, suspension, threat thereof or proceedings relating thereto;
- 3.6.7 Use reasonable best efforts to cause all Registrable Securities to be listed on each securities exchange on which Common Stock issued by CQP is then listed or, if no similar securities issued by CQP are then listed on any securities exchange, use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause all such Registrable Securities to be listed on the AMEX, the New York Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ Stock Market, as determined by CQP;

- **3.6.8** Provide a transfer agent and registrar for all Registrable Securities not later than the effective date of the applicable Registration Statement;
- **3.6.9** Enter into such customary agreements (including underwriting agreements and lock-up agreements in customary form (excluding any lock-up by the Company of Registrable Securities), and including provisions with respect to indemnification and contribution in customary form) and take all such other customary actions as the Participating Investors or the underwriters, if any, reasonably request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities (including making members of management and executives of the General Partner available to participate in "road show," similar sales events and other marketing activities);
- **3.6.10** In connection with any Underwritten Offering, make such representations and warranties to the Managing Underwriter(s), if any, with respect to the business of any member of the Partnership Group, and the Registration Statement, prospectus, and documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein, in each case, in form, substance and scope as are customarily made by an issuer in underwritten offerings, and, if true, make customary confirmations of the same if and when requested;
- **3.6.11** If requested by any Participating Investor, or the Managing Underwriter(s), if any, promptly include in a prospectus supplement or amendment such information as the Participating Investor or Managing Underwriter(s), if any, may reasonably request in order to permit the intended method of distribution of such securities and make all required filings of such prospectus supplement or such amendment as soon as reasonably practicable after CQP has received such request;
- **3.6.12** In the case of certificated Registrable Securities, cooperate with the Participating Investors and the Managing Underwriter(s), if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates (not bearing any legends) representing Registrable Securities to be sold after receiving written representations from each Participating Investor that the Registrable Securities represented by the certificates so delivered by such Participating Investor will be Transferred in accordance with the Registration Statement, and enable such Registrable Securities to be in such denominations and registered in such names as the Participating Investors or Managing Underwriter(s), if any, may request at least two (2) Business Days prior to any sale of such Registrable Securities;
- **3.6.13** Make available for inspection by any Participating Investors, the Investors' Counsel and the Company's Counsel, any underwriter participating in any disposition pursuant to a Registration Statement and any attorney, accountant or other agent retained by any such Participating Investor or underwriter, to the extent reasonably requested and solely for conducting customary due



diligence, all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and documents relating to the business of the Partnership Group, and cause the General Partner's officers, directors, employees and independent accountants to supply all information reasonably requested by any such Participating Investor, underwriter, attorney, accountant or agent in connection with such Registration Statement, *provided* that, it shall be a condition to such inspection and receipt of such information that the inspecting Person (i) enter into a confidentiality agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to CQP and (ii) agree to minimize the disruption to the Partnership Group's business in connection with the foregoing;

- **3.6.14** Otherwise use its reasonable best efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and any applicable national securities exchange;
- **3.6.15** Timely provide to its security holders earning statements satisfying the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder;
- **3.6.16** In connection with any Underwritten Offering, obtain one or more comfort letters, addressed to the underwriters, if any, dated the effective date of such Registration Statement and the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement for such offering, signed by CQP's independent registered public accountants (and if necessary, any other independent registered public accountants of any business acquired by CQP for which financial statements and financial data are, or are required to be, included in the Registration Statement) in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by comfort letters as such underwriters shall reasonably request;
- **3.6.17** In connection with any Underwritten Offering, provide legal opinions of CQP's counsel, addressed to the underwriters, if any, dated the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement, with respect to the Registration Statement, each amendment and supplement thereto (including the preliminary prospectus) and such other documents relating thereto as the underwriter shall reasonably request in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by legal opinions of such nature; and
- **3.6.18** Obtain any required regulatory approval necessary for the Participating Investors to sell their Registrable Securities in an offering, other than regulatory approvals required solely as a result of the nature of the Participating Investor.

As a condition to registering Registrable Securities, CQP may require each Participating Investor as to which any registration is being effected to furnish the Company with such information regarding such Participating Investor and pertinent to the disclosure requirements relating to the registration and the distribution of such securities as CQP may from time to time reasonably request in writing.

Each Participating Investor hereunder agrees that, upon receipt of any Notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in <u>Section 3.3</u>, <u>3.6.5</u> and <u>3.6.6</u>, such Participating Investor will forthwith discontinue the disposition of its Registrable Securities pursuant to the Registration Statement until such Participating Investor receives copies of a supplemented or amended prospectus as contemplated by <u>Section 3.6.5</u> and <u>3.6.6</u>.

3.7 Registration

- Expenses
- **3.7.1** Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all expenses incidental to CQP's performance of or compliance with this Agreement, including all registration and filing fees, fees and expenses of compliance with securities or blue sky Laws, fees of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and fees of transfer agents and registrars, word processing, duplicating and printing expenses, messenger, telephone and delivery expenses, expenses incurred in connection with any road show, and fees and disbursements of counsel for CQP and all independent certified public accountants and other Persons retained by CQP (all such expenses, "**Registration Expenses**"), will be borne by CQP. CQP will, in any event, pay its internal expenses of any annual audit or quarterly review, the expenses of any liability insurance and the expenses and fees for listing the securities to be registered on each securities exchange on which they are required to be listed hereunder. The Investors and the Company Holders so registered shall pay all underwriting discounts and selling commissions allocable to the sale of then Registrable Securities hereunder and any other Registration Expenses required by Law to be paid by a Participating Investor, *pro rata*, on the basis of the amount of proceeds from the sale of their shares so registered and sold.
- **3.7.2** In connection with any registration, CQP will reimburse the Participating Investors for their reasonable and customary expenses (other than underwriters' discounts and commissions), including the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (the "Investors' Counsel" in the case of any Investor or the "Company's Counsel" in the case of any Company Holder).

3.8 Indemnification

3.8.1 In the event of a registration of any Registrable Securities under the Securities Act pursuant to this <u>Section 3</u>, CQP will indemnify and hold harmless each Participating Investor thereunder, its directors, officers, employees, agents and managers, and each underwriter, pursuant to the applicable underwriting agreement with such underwriter, of Registrable Securities thereunder and each Person, if any, who controls such Participating Investor or underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and its directors, officers, employees, agents and managers, against any losses, claims, damages, expenses or liabilities (including reasonable attorneys' fees

and expenses) (collectively, "Losses"), joint or several, to which such Participating Investor or underwriter or controlling Person may become subject under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such Losses (or actions or proceedings, whether commenced or threatened, in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact (in the case of any prospectus, in the light of the circumstances under which such statement is made) contained in a Registration Statement contemplated by this Agreement, any preliminary prospectus or final prospectus contained therein, or any free writing prospectus related thereto, or any amendment or supplement thereof, including any document incorporated by reference therein, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (in the case of a prospectus, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading, and will reimburse each such Participating Investor, its directors, officers, employees, agents, and managers, each such underwriter and each such controlling Person for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such Loss or actions or proceedings; *provided*, *however*, that CQP will not be liable in any such case if and to the extent that any such Loss arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission so made in reliance on, and in conformity with information furnished by such Participating Investor, such underwriter or such controlling Person in writing specifically for use in such Registration Statement, free writing prospectus or prospectus supplement, as applicable. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such Participating Investor or any such director, of

3.8.2 Each Participating Investor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless CQP, its directors, officers, employees and agents and each Person, if any, who controls CQP within the meaning of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from CQP to the Participating Investors, but only with respect to information regarding such Participating Investor furnished in writing by or on behalf of such Participating Investor expressly for inclusion in a Registration Statement contemplated by this Agreement, any preliminary prospectus or final prospectus contained therein, or any free writing prospectus related thereto, or any amendment or supplement thereof; *provided, however*, that the liability of each Participating Investor shall not be greater in amount than the dollar amount of the proceeds (net of any expenses paid by such Participating Investor pursuant to <u>Section 3.6.1</u>) received by such Participating Investor from the sale of the Registrable Securities giving rise to such indemnification; *provided, further*, that the indemnity contained in this <u>Section 3.8.2</u> shall not apply to amounts paid in

settlement of any such claim if such settlement is effected without the consent of the Participating Investors who owned a majority of the Registrable Securities sold pursuant to the Registration Statement, prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto out of which such claim arose. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of CQP or any such director, officer, employee, agent, manager or controlling Person, and shall survive the Transfer of such securities by such Participating Investor.

3.8.3 Promptly after any indemnified party has received Notice of any indemnifiable claim hereunder, or the commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by a third Person, which the indemnified party believes in good faith is an indemnifiable claim under this Section 3, the indemnified party shall give the indemnifying party written Notice of such claim, but failure to so notify the indemnifying party will not relieve the indemnifying party from any liability it may have to such indemnified party hereunder except to the extent that the indemnifying party is materially prejudiced by such failure. Such Notice shall state the nature and the basis of such claim to the extent then known. The indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate in and, to the extent it shall wish, to assume and undertake the defense thereof with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party and, after Notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume and undertake the defense thereof, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party under this Section 3.8 for any legal expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation and of liaison with counsel so selected; provided, however, that (i) if the indemnifying party has failed to assume the defense and employ counsel or (ii) if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and counsel to the indemnified party shall have concluded that there may be reasonable defenses available to the indemnified party that are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, or if the interests of the indemnified party reasonably may be deemed to conflict with the interests of the indemnifying party, then the indemnified party shall have the right to select a separate counsel and to assume such legal defense and otherwise to participate in the defense of such action, with the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and fees of such separate counsel and other reasonable out-of-pocket expenses related to such participation to be reimbursed by the indemnifying party as incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 3.8, the indemnifying party shall not settle any indemnified claim without the consent of the indemnified party, unless the settlement thereof imposes no liability or obligation on, and includes a complete release from liability of, and does not contain any admission of wrongdoing by, the indemnified party.

- **3.8.4** If the indemnification provided for in this <u>Section 3.8</u> is held by a court or government agency of competent jurisdiction to be unavailable to any indemnified party or is insufficient to hold them harmless in respect of any Losses, then each such indemnifying party, in lieu of indemnifying such indemnified party, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such Loss in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party on the one hand and of such indemnified party on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such Losses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations; provided, however, that in no event shall such Participating Investor be required to contribute an aggregate amount in excess of the dollar amount of gross proceeds received by such Participating Investor from the sale of Registrable Securities giving rise to such indemnification. The relative fault of the indemnifying party on the one hand and the indemnified party on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact has been made by, or relates to, information supplied by such party, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this paragraph were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to herein. The amount paid by an indemnified party as a result of the Losses referred to in the first sentence of this paragraph shall be deemed to include any legal and other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any Loss that is the subject of this paragraph. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who is not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.
- **3.8.5** The provisions of this <u>Section 3.8</u> shall be in addition to any other rights to indemnification or contribution which an indemnified party may have pursuant to Law, equity, Contract or otherwise.

3.9 Rule 144

CQP will use its reasonable best efforts to undertake the acts described below in this <u>Section 3.9</u>. CQP will timely file all reports and other documents required to be filed by it under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations adopted by the SEC thereunder (or, if CQP is not required to file such reports, it will, upon the request of an Investor or a Company Holder, make publicly available such information as necessary to permit sales pursuant to Rule 144 or Regulation S under the Securities Act), and it will take such further action as any Investor or any Company Holder may reasonably request, to the extent required from time to time to enable such Investor or such Company Holder to sell shares of Registrable Securities without registration under

the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by (i) Rule 144 or Regulation S under the Securities Act, as such rules may be amended from time to time, or (ii) any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the SEC. Upon the reasonable request of any Investor or any Company Holder, CQP will deliver to such Investor or such Company Holder a written statement as to whether it has complied with such information requirements, and, if not, the specifics thereof.

3.10 Future Holdings

In the event that the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acquire CQP equity securities pursuant to (i) its preemptive rights under the CQP Partnership Agreement or (ii) an acquisition thereof after the consent of CQP under <u>Section 4.3</u>, the Purchaser and CQP agree to negotiate in good faith registration rights with respect thereto consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

3.11 Third Parties

CQP agrees not to grant registration rights to any other Person that conflict with or impair the registration rights (or which provide *pari passu* or priority cutback rights over the Investors) contained in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

4 Information Rights; Confidentiality; Trading; Standstill

4.1 Information Rights

4.1.1 Each Investor that (x) holds more than 3,333,333 Class B Units (as adjusted for splits and reverse splits), (y) will hold more than 3,333,333 Class B Units after purchasing all Class B Units expected to be purchased by such Investor pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement or (z) holds more than 2.5% of the outstanding Common Units and Common Units issuable upon conversion of the outstanding Class B Units (each a "**Significant Holder**"), who is bound by a confidentiality agreement provided by CQP as described below, shall have access to an electronic dataroom, which shall be maintained by CQP as long as any Registrable Securities remain outstanding, which shall include monthly construction reports, lender's independent engineer reports, change orders and any other information provided by any member of the Partnership Group to its lender. The confidentiality agreement signed by each Investor to be granted access to such electronic dataroom shall include an agreement acknowledging that, if such Investor is aware of its obligations under securities Laws and agrees not to purchase or sell securities of CQP or of its Affiliates in violation of the securities Laws. All Investor inquiries related to such electronic dataroom shall be handled by the Purchaser. CQP agrees to remove any Significant Holder from access to the dataroom at any time upon written request of such Significant Holder who so requests to be removed from access to the dataroom shall be entitled to elect to regain access for so long as such Significant Holder remains a Significant Holder.



- **4.1.2** During the Investor Approval Period, the Purchaser shall have the right to appoint an engineer or third-party engineering consultant who shall be reasonably acceptable to CQP (the "**Consultant**") who shall be seconded to CQP and entitled to access to such information that he or she reasonably requests regarding the Liquefaction Project and to observe, attend, or request meetings with relevance to the Liquefaction Project, including meetings with Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc. and any other contracting party under an EPC Contract with relevance to the construction of the Liquefaction Project; *provided* that any such information that is disclosed to the Purchaser shall be subject to <u>Section 4.2</u> and the Consultant shall agree to be bound by substantially the same terms of confidentiality. In the event that CQP determines that the particular Consultant is unreasonably disruptive to the business of CQP, then CQP shall have a one-time right to remove the Consultant, which Consultant may be replaced by the Purchaser acting in good faith. Thereafter, the Independent CQP Directors shall have the right to remove any Consultant that is unreasonably disruptive to the business of CQP, and the Purchaser may designate a replacement. CQP will pay the fees and expenses of the Consultant (including any replacement thereof).
- **4.1.3** During the Investor Approval Period, CQP shall permit the Purchaser to visit and inspect CQP's properties, to examine its books of accounts and records and to discuss CQP's affairs, finances and accounts with the General Partner's officers, upon reasonable advance request, during normal business hours, for a proper purpose reasonably related to the investment of such Persons in the Registrable Securities; *provided* that any such information shall be subject to Section <u>4.2</u>. Any expenses incurred by CQP pursuant to this <u>Section 4.1.3</u> shall be borne by the requesting party; *provided*, *however*, that the Purchaser shall not be required to pay for any fees or expenses pursuant to this <u>Section 4.1.3</u> to the extent CQP is required to reimburse the Purchaser for such fees and expenses pursuant to <u>Section 6.3</u>.
- **4.1.4** During the Investor Approval Period, the Purchaser shall be permitted to share with its equity holders and the Investors the information and materials shared with the Investor CQP Directors as members of the CQP Board, *provided* that such Investor CQP Directors shall be subject to their fiduciary duties as directors (including as set forth under Section 6.2 of the General Partner LLC Agreement) with respect to sharing CQP information and in its interaction with the Purchaser's investors and co-investors, which duties shall include, without limitation, a restriction on sharing information regarding (i) any prospective business opportunities presented to the CQP Board and (ii) information subject to confidentiality by CQP or the General Partner with third parties if CQP or the General Partner has identified to the Purchaser or the CQP Board that such information is confidential and the disclosure thereof by the Investor CQP Directors would cause a breach of such confidentiality obligation.

4.2 Confidentiality; Trading

4.2.1 Each Investor agrees that it will keep confidential and will not disclose, divulge or use for any purpose, other than to monitor its investment in COP, any Confidential Information (as defined below) obtained from the Partnership Group pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; provided, however, that each Investor may disclose Confidential Information (i) to its Representatives specified in clause (i) of the definition thereof who have a need to know such information in connection with the Investor's investment in CQP (subject to each such authorized recipient of such confidential information agreeing to keep such information confidential and *provided* that such Investor shall be liable for any breach of confidentiality by any such recipient); (ii) to any limited partner, investor or prospective investor of such Investor in connection with marketing activities by such Investor (subject to each such authorized recipient of such confidential information agreeing to keep such information confidential and provided that any Investor shall be liable for any breach of confidentiality by any such recipient); (iii) in its periodic reports required under the Exchange Act or any Registration Statement or prospectus under the Securities Act to the extent, and only to the extent: (A) the Investor is advised by legal counsel that such disclosure is required to comply with the Securities Act or the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder, (B) the Investor takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure, and (C) the Investor advises CQP of any such proposed disclosure prior to its filing and consults with CQP as to the nature and extent of such disclosure; and (iv) as may otherwise be (A) required by Law or (B) in connection with any claims or actions relating to the Investor or its Affiliates or Representatives, to the extent required by subpoena or court of competent jurisdiction or by a governmental or administrative body, provided that (x) the Investor is advised by legal counsel that such disclosure is required. (v) the Investor takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure, and (z) to the extent permitted by applicable Law, the Investor advises CQP of any such disclosure prior to its release (including the nature and extent of such disclosure) and affords CQP the reasonable opportunity to limit such disclosure. "Confidential Information" shall mean any confidential information provided to an Investor regarding the Partnership Group excluding information that (a) is available through public records or otherwise in the public domain at the time of its disclosure or thereafter (other than as a result of a disclosure by the Investor or its Representatives in breach of this Agreement or other obligations of confidentiality owed to the Partnership Group), (b) is already in the possession of the Investor or any of its Representatives prior to disclosure by the Partnership Group and was not previously acquired by the Investor or its Representatives directly or indirectly from the Partnership Group or that was independently developed by the Investor or on its behalf without access to the **Confidential Information**

received under this Agreement, or (c) is or has been lawfully acquired by the Investor or any of its Representatives from a third party (other than the Partnership Group or its Representatives) not known by the Investor to be prohibited from so disclosing such information to the Investor by a legal, contractual, fiduciary or other obligation owed to any member of the Partnership Group.

4.3 Trading; Standstill; Transfer Restrictions.

- **4.3.1** Each Investor acknowledges that the receipt of material nonpublic information pursuant to this Agreement may restrict the ability of such Investor to trade in securities of CQP, the Company or their respective Affiliates, and agrees not to trade in any securities of CQP, the Company or their respective Affiliates either (i) in violation of any applicable securities Laws or (ii) without the written consent of CQP, during any trading blackout periods established by CQP under any insider trading policies of the General Partner or CQP as applicable to the directors and officers of the General Partner, unless otherwise approved by CQP; *provided*, that this restriction in clause (ii) shall in no way limit the Investors' rights to sell Registrable Securities under <u>Section 3</u> (or to sell equity securities pursuant to any registration rights granted pursuant to <u>Section 3.10</u>), subject to the terms and conditions therein.
- **4.3.2** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided in this Agreement (including Section 4.3.3) or any of the other Basic Documents, none of the provisions of the Basic Documents shall in any way limit the activities of (i) The Blackstone Group L.P. and its Affiliates in their businesses distinct from the private equity business of The Blackstone Group L.P. or (ii) the members of the Purchaser or its respective Affiliates in their businesses distinct from the private equity business of The Blackstone Group L.P. or such member; *provided* that the Evaluation Material is not made available to Representatives of The Blackstone Group L.P. and its Affiliates or of the members of the Purchaser or its Affiliates who are not involved in the private equity business of The Blackstone Group L.P. and its Affiliates or of the members of the Purchaser or its Affiliates who are not involved in the private equity business of The Blackstone Group L.P. or such members, as the case may be.
- 4.3.3 Prior to the expiration of the Investor Approval Period, without the prior written consent of CQP, each Investor agrees that it shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Affiliates to acquire, directly or beneficially, any equity interest or debt in the Company or any member of the Partnership Group; *provided, however*, that the foregoing restrictions shall not apply to: (a) the acquisition of Units as contemplated by the Unit Purchase Agreement, (b) the issuance of any Conversion Units, (c) a unit split, reverse unit split, reclassification, reorganization or other transaction by CQP affecting any class of the outstanding equity securities of CQP generally, (d) a dividend of units or other pro rata distribution by CQP to holders of its outstanding equity securities, (e) any rights of an Investor to Transfer or acquire equity interests or debt in the

Company or any member of the Partnership Group that are set forth in any of the Basic Documents (including upon the exercise of preemptive rights), (f) any action taken with the prior written consent of CQP, (g) any actions by an Investor with respect to a Significant Event authorized by the CQP Board or (h) any person who is a director of CQP acting in his capacity as a director of CQP in the ordinary course and within the CQP Board process.

4.4 Transfer Restrictions

- 4.4.1 Without the prior written consent of CQP, each Investor shall not, during the period commencing on the date hereof and ending on the second anniversary thereafter (the "**Restricted Period**"), Transfer any of its Class B Units or Conversion Units; *provided, however*, that the foregoing restrictions shall not apply to any Transfer of Class B Units explicitly permitted by the Basic Documents; *provided, further*, that an Investor may Transfer the Purchased Units (x) to an Affiliate of such Investor or any limited partner of such Investor or such Investor's equity holders or (y) in the event an Investor reasonably determines that it or any of its equity holders has a Regulatory Problem, in each case to a Person that (1) is an "accredited investor" as defined under the Securities Act and (2) agrees to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement as an Investor, including this <u>Section 4.4.1</u>; *provided* that no Person to whom any Class B Units or Conversion Units are Transferred due to such Regulatory Problem shall be entitled to or provided with any information rights pursuant to <u>Section 4.1</u> without the prior consent of the CQP Board.
- **4.4.2** Without the prior written consent of the Purchaser, the Company shall cause the Company Holders not to, during the Restricted Period, Transfer any of its Class B Units or Conversion Units; *provided*, *however*, that the foregoing restrictions shall not apply to any Transfer of Class B Units explicitly permitted by the Basic Documents; *provided*, *further*, that a Company Holder may Transfer its Class B Units to any of its Affiliates that (1) is an "accredited investor" as defined under the Securities Act and (2) agrees to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement as a Company Holder, including this Section 4.4.2.
- 4.4.3 Without the prior written consent of the CQP Board, during the Investor Approval Period, the Company shall not Transfer, directly or indirectly, (i) the equity interest in the General Partner, (ii) the equity interests in Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC, Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. or any other entity providing services to CQP (the "Service Companies"), or (iii) the Incentive Distribution Rights (as defined in the CQP Partnership Agreement) under Section 4.7 of the CQP Partnership Agreement, except, in each case, (a) to another wholly owned Subsidiary of the Company or any member of the Partnership Group or (b) to a Person acquiring 100% of the equity interest

in the General Partner and 100% of its equity interests in all of the Service Companies. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not be limited by the foregoing from considering or entering into any inquiry, proposal, offer or transaction relating to any acquisition or purchase of the Company in any merger, consolidation, business combination, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution, binding share exchange or similar transaction involving the Company.

- **4.4.4** In the event that any Investor reasonably determines that it or any of its equity holders has a Regulatory Problem, the Partnership Group agrees to take all such actions, at such Investor's expense, as are reasonably requested by such Investor in order, subject only to compliance with applicable securities Laws and other applicable Law, to effectuate and facilitate any Transfer permitted by Section 4.4.1 by such Investor of Class B Units then held by such Investor.
- **4.4.5** This <u>Section 4.4</u> shall not restrict any bona fide pledge of any equity securities in respect of obligations owed by the Person making such pledge so long as such pledge is not made with the purpose of otherwise circumventing the restrictions on Transfer herein.
- 4.4.6 Upon written Notice to CQP, each Person to whom an Investor has Transferred any of its Class B Units or Registrable Securities in compliance with the Basic Documents shall become an Investor hereunder upon its execution of a Joinder Agreement. Furthermore, any assignee of the Purchaser that purchased Class B Units directly from CQP pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement shall be an Investor hereunder upon its execution of a Joinder Agreement. Upon written Notice to the Investors, each Person to whom a Company Holder Transfers any Class B Units or Registrable Securities in compliance with the Basic Documents shall become a Company Holder upon execution of a Joinder Agreement.
- **4.4.7** Unless otherwise indicated to CQP in a writing from the Purchaser (or such other Investor to whom the Purchaser assigns such right), a permitted assignee of the Purchaser shall possess all of the rights of the Purchaser contained herein to appoint directors to the CQP Board pursuant to Section 6.09(a) of the General Partner LLC Agreement and the Consultant.
- **4.4.8** Subject to Section 4.4.1(x), the Purchaser shall be permitted to assign any of its rights hereunder to any Person to whom the Purchaser has Transferred any of its Class B Units or Registrable Securities in compliance with the Basic Documents, and such transferee shall become the "Purchaser" hereunder upon its execution of a Joinder Agreement; *provided*, that such successor "Purchaser" must be an Affiliate controlled by Blackstone Management Partners L.L.C. or the Blackstone Group L.P.

4.4.9 Each Investor and Company Holder shall be liable for its actions on a several basis, and not on a joint and several basis.

4.5 Legends

4.5.1 The Company, each Investor and each Company Holder acknowledge that the certificates representing the Class B Units subject to Section 4 of this Agreement may bear, in addition to a customary legend relating to restrictions under the Securities Act, the restrictive legend set forth below evidencing the terms of this Agreement. CQP shall remove the following restrictive legend after the end of the Restricted Period upon exchange of the existing certificates.

"The Class B Units evidenced by this certificate are subject to restrictions on transfer as set forth in Section 4.4 of the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of ______, 2012. A copy of this agreement will be furnished by the Partnership upon request."

5 Other Agreements

5.1 Financing Cooperation

Except as provided in <u>Section 3</u>, during the Investor Approval Period, to the extent requested by the Purchaser, the Purchaser, CQP and the General Partner shall, and shall cause their respective Representatives specified in clause (i) of the definition thereof to, cooperate and collaborate with respect to the arrangement and consummation of any Financing after the date hereof.

5.2 Gas Supply Plan and Risk Management Policy

CQP shall work in good faith to prepare as promptly as practicable (but in any event no later than June 30, 2014) a Gas Supply Plan and a Risk Management Policy, consistent with the principles set forth on Schedule 5.2 attached hereto, and present such plan and policy, including any subsequent amendments thereto, to the CQP Board for consideration and approval. Any element of the Gas Supply Plan or Risk Management Policy, or subsequent amendments thereto, that the Purchaser deems in good faith to be inconsistent with Schedule 5.2 shall require approval of the Executive Committee.

5.3 Insurance

Promptly following the execution hereof, the Company shall, and shall cause its applicable Affiliates (other than members of the Partnership Group) to, execute one or more endorsements in forms reasonably satisfactory to CQP to cause all amounts payable pursuant to any all risk property and time element policies (collectively "**Property Insurance**") of the Company and/or its Affiliates relating to any property of a member of the Partnership Group (including without limitation all of the

insurance policies set forth on Schedule 5.3) to be paid directly to CQP and/or the applicable member of the Partnership Group, and for the Company and its Affiliates (other than members of the Partnership Group) to relinquish all right, title and interest to such payments. Upon the next renewal period for the Property Insurance for the members of the Partnership Group, CQP and/or the other applicable members of the Partnership Group shall obtain Property Insurance policies which are separate from the Property Insurance of the Company and its Affiliates (other than members of the Partnership Group), and the Company and its Affiliates (other than members of the Partnership Group), and the Company and its Affiliates shall no longer obtain Property Insurance for the members of the Partnership Group other than pursuant to the Service Agreements.

5.4 Company Board Nominee

During the Investor Approval Period, upon the request of the Purchaser, the Company shall take all necessary actions to cause to be appointed to its board of directors the ("CEI Board") a person nominated by the Purchaser to serve as a member of the CEI Board (the "Purchaser Nominee"). Initially, the Purchaser Nominee shall be appointed to fill a vacancy among the Class I directors of the CEI Board (whether such vacancy is currently existing or newly created to comply with this covenant). The Company shall cause the nomination of each Purchaser Nominee (to the extent that such Purchaser Nominee would be up for election at such time) in connection with any subsequent proxy statement or information statement with respect to the election of directors and to have the CEI Board recommend in connection with each proxy statement or information statement relating to the election of directors to the CEI Board that the stockholders of the Company vote for the election of each Purchaser Nominee up for election at such time, and the Company shall not nominate any other person for the position on the CEI Board for which the Purchaser Nominee is up for election. If any such Purchaser Nominee is not elected to the CEI Board at any stockholder meeting (or action by written consent) with respect to the election of such Purchaser Nominee, then subject to applicable law, the CEI Board shall create a new vacancy in the class of directors on the CEI Board with the longest remaining term in which a vacancy can be created and fill such newly created vacancy on the CEI Board with another Purchaser Nominee. If prior to the end of the term of any member of the CEI Board that is a Purchaser Nominee, a vacancy in the office of such director shall occur by reason of death, resignation, removal or disability, or for any other cause, such vacancy may be filled by the Purchaser with another Purchaser Nominee, and the Purchaser shall have the right to replace any Purchaser Nominee, at any time, with or without cause. Furthermore, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to assist the Purchaser in challenging, resisting or attempting to prevent any Person from successfully contesting the Purchaser Nominee's appointment or election to the CEI Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the election and appointment of each Purchaser Nominee shall be subject to all legal requirements regarding service as a director of the Company and to the approval of the nominating and corporate governance committee of the CEI Board, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Company shall make

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available to the Purchaser Nominee all of the same indemnification and exculpation protections on the same terms as are available to other members of the CEI Board, and the Company shall procure directors and officers insurance for the Purchaser Nominee with the same terms as that procured for the other directors on the CEI Board. The Company shall not amend, or permit to be amended, its certificate of incorporation or bylaws in any manner that is inconsistent with, or conflicts with, this <u>Section 5.4</u> or the right of the Purchaser to appoint a Purchaser Nominee to the CEI Board pursuant to this <u>Section 5.4</u>.

5.5 Conflicts

The parties agree to abide by any policies addressing potential conflicts established by the Conflicts Committee (as defined in the General Partner LLC Agreement) from time to time.

6 Miscellaneous

6.1 Notices

- **6.1.1** Any notice or other communication in connection with this Agreement (each, a "**Notice**") shall be:
 - (a) in writing in English; and
 - (b) delivered by hand, fax, registered post or by courier using an internationally recognized courier company.
- **6.1.2** Notices to the Company, the General Partner or CQP shall be sent to the following Persons at the following addresses, and Notices to a Company Holder shall be sent to the Company at the following address, or such other Person or address as the Company, the General Partner, CQP or a Company Holder may notify the Purchaser or the other Investors from time to time:

Cheniere Energy, Inc. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Tel: 713.375.5276 Fax: 713.375.6276 Attention: Meg A. Gentle Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Tel: 713.375.5276 Fax: 713.375.6276 Attention: Meg A. Gentle

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Tel: 713.375.5276 Fax: 713.375.6276 Attention: Meg A. Gentle

with a copy to:

Andrews Kurth LLP 600 Travis, Suite 4200 Houston, Texas 77002 Tel: 713.220.4200 Fax: 713.220.4285 Attention: Meredith S. Mouer David C. Buck

6.1.3 Notices to the Purchaser shall be sent to the following address, or such other Person or address as such Investor may notify to the Company and CQP from time to time:

Blackstone CQP Holdco LP 345 Park Avenue, 44th Floor New York, NY 10154 Tel: 212.583.5000 Fax: 646.253.7517 Attention: David Foley Sean Klimczak

with a copy to:

Latham & Watkins LLP 885 Third Avenue New York, NY 10022-4834 Tel : 212.906.1200 Fax : 212.751.4864 Attention : Charles E. Carpenter David S. Allinson

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Notices to an Investor shall be sent to the address indicated on the Joinder Agreement.

- **6.1.4** Notices shall be effective upon receipt and shall be deemed to have been received:
 - 6.1.4.1 at the time of delivery, if delivered by hand, registered post or courier; and
 - **6.1.4.2** at the expiration of two hours after completion of the transmission, if sent by facsimile, *provided* that, if a Notice would become effective under the above provisions after 5:30 p.m. on any Business Day, then it shall be deemed instead to become effective at 9:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. References in this Agreement to time are to local time at the location of the addressee as set out in the Notice.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 6.1</u>, in proving service of a Notice, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing such Notice was properly addressed and delivered by hand, registered post or courier to the relevant address pursuant to the above provisions or that the facsimile transmission report (call back verification) states that the communication was properly sent.

6.2 Termination

This Agreement shall be effective as of the date hereof. This Agreement shall terminate with respect to any Investor on the date on which such Investor ceases to own Registrable Securities.

6.3 Fees and Expenses

Without duplication of the fees and expenses reimbursed to the Purchaser pursuant to the Unit Purchase Agreement and Section 3 hereof, CQP shall promptly reimburse the Purchaser from time to time, upon written request, for its actual and documented reasonable out-of-pocket legal and tax fees and expenses incurred by the Purchaser relating to Purchaser's investment in CQP and the transactions contemplated by the Basic Documents, *provided* that CQP shall not be required to reimburse any such fees and expenses in connection with a sale by the Purchaser of any Class B Units or Registrable Securities, except in connection with a sale contemplated by <u>Section 3</u> hereof.

6.4 Competing Asset Opportunities

During the Investor Approval Period, prior to any Transfer by the Company or its Affiliates (other than a member of the Partnership Group) of any assets for, pertaining to or in any way related to the liquefaction or regasification of natural gas, together with related facilities and equipment incidental thereto (the "**Competing Assets**"), to a master limited partnership formed by the Company or its Affiliates (other than a member of the Partnership Group) on or after the date hereof (a "**Competing MLP**"), the Company shall, or shall cause its Affiliates (other than a member of the Partnership Group) to, offer to CQP the opportunity to acquire such Competing



Assets by sending a written Notice to CQP setting forth in reasonable detail information regarding the Competing Assets, the Company's desired purchase price for such Competing Assets and, in the case of a proposed initial public offering of a Competing MLP, the valuation of the Competing Assets as determined by the lead underwriter of such Competing MLP (a "Competing Asset Opportunity Notice"); if such Transfer is proposed to occur in connection with a proposed initial public offering, the Company shall cause such lead underwriter to determine the enterprise value of the Competing MLP (assuming that the Transfer of the Competing Assets had occurred) as of the date of the Competing Asset Opportunity Notice. CQP will have the right, exercisable within fifteen (15) days of CQP's receipt of a Competing Asset Opportunity Notice, to request that the Company engage in good faith discussions with CQP on terms to allow a member of the Partnership Group to acquire the Competing Assets. If the Company and CQP are unable to agree upon acceptable terms for a member of the Partnership Group to acquire the Competing Assets within thirty (30) days after the commencement of those good faith discussions, then the Company and its Affiliates shall be free to Transfer those Competing Assets into a Competing MLP or commence an initial public offering for a Competing MLP; provided that if any such Transfer into a Competing MLP or initial public offering of the Competing MLP is not completed within 365 days from the date of the Competing Asset Opportunity Notice, or if the lead underwriter of the proposed initial public offering of the Competing MLP determines during the marketing process, which such determination the Company shall cause the lead underwriter to undertake, that the enterprise value of the Competing MLP is less than the enterprise value determined at the time the Competing Asset Opportunity Notice was delivered, then any subsequent Transfer of such Competing Assets to a Competing MLP shall continue to be subject to the provisions of this Section 6.4, and the Company shall re-offer to CQP the opportunity to acquire such Competing Assets prior to any Transfer thereof to a Competing MLP by the Company.

6.5 Governing Law

This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder and the Persons subject hereto shall be governed by and construed and interpreted in accordance with the Laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to conflicts of Laws rules that would require or permit the application of the Laws of another jurisdiction.

6.6 Submission to Jurisdiction

EACH PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND THE FEDERAL COURTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA LOCATED IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE SOLELY IN RESPECT OF THE INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND IN RESPECT OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY. EACH PARTY IRREVOCABLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF THE INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND IN RESPECT OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY, OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING, SHALL BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH A

DELAWARE STATE OR FEDERAL COURT, AND THAT SUCH JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURTS WITH RESPECT THERETO SHALL BE EXCLUSIVE, EXCEPT SOLELY TO THE EXTENT THAT ALL SUCH COURTS SHALL LAWFULLY DECLINE TO EXERCISE SUCH JURISDICTION. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES, AND AGREES NOT TO ASSERT, AS A DEFENSE IN ANY ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING FOR THE INTERPRETATION OR ENFORCEMENT HEREOF OR IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH TRANSACTION, THAT IT IS NOT SUBJECT TO SUCH JURISDICTION. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES, AND AGREES NOT TO ASSERT, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, AS A DEFENSE IN ANY ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING FOR THE INTERPRETATION OR ENFORCEMENT HEREOF OR IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH TRANSACTION, THAT SUCH ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING MAY NOT BE BROUGHT OR IS NOT MAINTAINABLE IN SUCH COURTS OR THAT THE VENUE THEREOF MAY NOT BE APPROPRIATE OR THAT THIS AGREEMENT MAY NOT BE ENFORCED IN OR BY SUCH COURTS. EACH PARTY CONSENTS TO AND GRANTS ANY SUCH COURT JURISDICTION OVER THE PERSON OF SUCH PARTIES IN CONNECTION WITH, AND OVER THE SUBJECT MATTER OF, ANY SUCH DISPUTE AND AGREES, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THAT MAILING OF PROCESS OR OTHER PAPERS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN <u>SECTION 6.1</u> OR IN SUCH OTHER MANNER AS MAY BE PERMITTED BY LAW, SHALL BE VALID AND SUFFICIENT SERVICE THEREOF.

6.7 Waiver of Jury Trial

EACH PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE EACH SUCH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT SUCH PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE BREACH, TERMINATION OR VALIDITY OF THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. EACH SUCH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (B) EACH SUCH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (C) EACH SUCH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY AND (D) EACH SUCH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS <u>SECTION 6.7</u>.

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6.8 Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement in such jurisdiction or the validity or enforceability of this Agreement, including such provision, in any other jurisdiction, and such provision shall be revised or modified to the minimum degree necessary to render it valid and enforceable.

6.9 Entire Agreement

This Agreement, together with the Unit Purchase Agreement, the CEI Unit Purchase Agreement, the Subscription Agreement, the CQP Partnership Agreement, the General Partner LLC Agreement and related documents, constitute the entire agreement and understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the matters referred to herein and supersede all prior agreements, understandings or representations, written or oral, and all contemporaneous oral agreements, understandings or representations, in each case among the parties with respect to such matters.

6.10 Amendment and Waiver

No amendment, alteration or modification of this Agreement or waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective against the Company, any Investor or CQP unless such amendment, alteration, modification or waiver is approved in writing by each of the Company, the General Partner, CQP and the Purchaser; *provided, however*, that any such amendment, alteration, modification or waiver that could reasonably be expected to adversely affect the rights of any Investor(s) or Company Holder in any material respect (as compared to the other Investors or Company Holders) must be approved in writing by such Investor(s) or Company Holder disproportionately affected. The failure of any party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of such provision and shall not affect the right of such party thereafter to enforce each provision of this Agreement in accordance with its terms. The General Partner shall give Notice of any amendment or termination hereof to any Investors of which it is aware.

6.11 Successors and Assigns

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereto. No party shall assign any or all of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the consent of the other parties, other than as contemplated by <u>Section 4.4</u>.

6.12 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

Nothing in this Agreement is intended to or shall confer any rights or benefits upon any Person other than the parties hereto.



6.13 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts (including by facsimile or other electronic transmission), each of which shall be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

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EXHIBIT A

FORM OF JOINDER AGREEMENT

Reference is hereby made to that certain Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement (the "**Investors' Agreement**"), dated as of [____], 2012, by and among (i) Cheniere Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation, (ii) Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, (iii) Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and (iv) Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and (vi) Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, a Delaware limited partnership, and the other parties thereto from time to time. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meaning set forth in the Investors' Agreement.

WHEREAS, the undersigned person has become a holder of [____] [Class B Units / Common Units]; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned agrees to become an "Investor" and a party to the Investors' Agreement, and hereby agrees to be subject to and bound by all of the rights and obligations of an "Investor" for all purposes set forth in the Investors' Agreement and agrees to be bound by all of the terms and provisions of the Investors' Agreement.

This Joinder Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts (including by facsimile or other electronic transmission), each of which shall be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

[Executing Party]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Gas Supply Plan and Risk Management Policy Principles

Gas Supply Plan

The guiding principles of the Gas Supply Plan will be to ensure sufficient supply to meet customer nominations and to reduce the risk associated with supplying gas to the Liquefaction Project. The Gas Supply Plan will contain the following milestones:

- By June 30, 2014, Sabine Pass Liquefaction (as defined in the Unit Purchase Agreement) shall have secured approximately 1,100,000 MMBtu/d of firm natural gas supply from creditworthy counterparties for delivery into any of the following locations: delivered to receipt points on the CTPL (as defined in the Unit Purchase Agreement, into receipt points from which Sabine Pass Liquefaction has secured firm transportation service to the CTPL, or directly to the Liquefaction Project. Dates of initial delivery and quantities will be aligned with the anticipated feed gas requirements of the individual Trains.
- By June 30, 2014, Sabine Pass Liquefaction shall secure firm transport capacity on third party pipelines for delivery of gas into the CTPL or directly to the Liquefaction Project sufficient to meet at least 100% of the Liquefaction Project's baseload Existing SPA (as defined in the Unit Purchase Agreement) feed and fuel and lost and unaccounted for gas requirements. The foregoing quantity may be reduced by the quantity of gas contracted to be supplied and delivered on a firm basis into the CTPL or directly to the Liquefaction Project.
- Management will provide quarterly reports to the CQP Board updating the Gas Supply Plan as market conditions change and detailing performance against these milestones and such other performance benchmarks as may be requested by the CQP Board. Any changes to the Gas Supply Plan will be reviewed and approved by the CQP Board.
- Management will include all expected costs of the Gas Supply Plan (including any capital costs for interconnects or expansions) as part of the annual budget that is submitted to and approved annually by the CQP Board, in reasonable detail as requested by the CQP Board.

Amended Risk Management Policy Principles

CQP shall amend its current risk management policy applicable to the Partnership Group in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Purchaser in accordance with the principles below, and CEI shall have affirmed that it and its Affiliates that conduct any activities on behalf of the Partnership Group shall comply therewith in respect of such activities.

• The amended risk management policy shall include a comprehensive program for managing risks as they pertain to the Partnership Group's activities and for monitoring risk exposure. The risk management policy shall be designed to limit the Partnership Group's exposure to commodity price, credit, liquidity, basis, compliance and other similar risks in a manner that is consistent with the commercial operation of the Liquefaction Project as a contracted

facility. The risk management policy shall set forth value at risk limits, open position limits, and approval thresholds for transactions or activities that will require CQP Board approval.

• The risk management policy shall be reviewed and approved annually if requested by the CQP Board

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• CEI and its Affiliates will comply with the risk management policy with respect to any activities conducted on behalf of the Partnership Group.

Insurance

1. \$600 million combined property damage business interruption insurance coverage with a coverage period of 03/01/2012 to 03/01/2013. Policy numbers as follows:

Layer /Carrier		Policy No.	Line
USD 600 M QUOTA SHARE		<u>1 oney 100.</u>	
Swiss Re International SE		E110644	20.000%
Torus Insurance UK Ltd.		E110639	4.166%
Great Lakes Reinsurance (UK) PLC - Munich Re		E120642	8.834%
SJC 2003 (Lloyd's Syndicate)		E120640	2.500%
Arch Insurance Company (Europe) Ltd.		E120640	2.000%
Infrassure, Ltd.		E121107	5.000%
Chartis (Nat'l Union Fire Ins. Co. of			
Pittsburgh PA)		61,628,085	15.000%
Navigators Management Company Inc.			
MLM 1221 (Lloyd's Syndicate)			02.800%
PEB 4000 (Lloyd's Syndicate)		11NSRO138901	00.700%
Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.		3D656881004	5.000%
General Security Indemnity Co. of AZ (Scor)		201110E1317931	5.000%
Allianz Global Risks US Ins. Co		CLP 3013190	10.000%
XL Insurance America, Inc.		US00023173PR11A	10.000%
Total			91.000%
PRIMARY USD 150 M			
National Union Fire Ins. Co. of Pittsburgh, PA (Chartis)		63,803,918	9.000%
USD 450 M xs USD 150 M			
ARG 2121 (Lloyd's Syndicate)		E120641	4.000%
USD 50 M xs USD 150 M			
WRB 1967 (Lloyd's Syndicate)		E120643	5.000%
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Lloyds Syndicate TRV 5000	LME-E110570	12.000%	
Lloyds Syndicate MIT 3210	LME-E110570	16.000%	
Lloyds Syndicate AES 1225	LME-E110570	12.000%	
Lloyds Syndicate AFB 2623	LME-E110570	9.7200%	

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Lloyds Syndicate CVS 1919

1. CEI is validly existing as a corporation and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Each of the General Partner and Cheniere Holdings is validly existing as a limited liability company and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware. CQP is validly existing as a limited partnership and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

2. Each Subject Entity has the corporate, limited liability company or limited partnership, as applicable, power and authority under the laws of the State of Delaware to (i) execute and deliver, and incur and perform all of its obligations under the Transaction Documents to which it is a party and (ii) carry on its business and own its properties as described in the CEI SEC Documents and CQP SEC Documents (each as defined in the Unit Purchase Agreement).

3. Each of the Transaction Documents has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Subject Entity party thereto.

4. The issuance to the Purchaser of 100,000,000 of the Class B Units and the Common Units (as defined in the Partnership Agreement) issuable upon conversion thereof (the "<u>Converted Units</u>") in accordance with the terms of the Unit Purchase Agreement and the Partnership Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary limited partnership action of CQP.

5. There are no preemptive rights or other rights to subscribe for or to purchase, nor any restriction upon the voting or transfer of, any partnership interests in CQP, other than rights pursuant to the CQP Original LP Agreement and the Partnership Agreement.

6. The Class B Units and the Converted Units have been duly authorized by CQP, and when issued and delivered to the Purchaser against payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Unit Purchase Agreement and the Partnership Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required under the Partnership Agreement) and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act (the "Delaware LP Act")).

7. Each of the Unit Purchase Agreement and Investors' Agreement constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Subject Entities party thereto.

8. None of (i) the execution and delivery by the Subject Entities of the Subject Documents to which they are a party and (ii) the incurrence or performance by each Subject Entity of its obligations under the Subject Documents to which it is a party, each in accordance with its terms, shall (A) constitute a violation of any Organizational Document, (B) constitute a breach or violation of, or a default (or an event which, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default), under any CEI Applicable Agreement or CQP Applicable Agreement or CQP Applicable Agreement or CQP Applicable Agreement or (D) result in any violation under the applicable laws of the State of Texas, the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "<u>DGCL</u>"), the Delaware LP Act or the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (the "<u>Delaware LLC Act</u>").

9. The issuance of the Class B Units to the Purchaser, in the manner contemplated in the Unit Purchase Agreement, does not require registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"); *provided*, *however*, that we express no opinion as to any subsequent resale or other transfer of any Class B Units.

10. No Governmental Approval, which has not been obtained or taken and is not in full force and effect, is required to authorize, or is required for, the execution and delivery by the Subject Entities of the Transaction Documents, to the extent that such Person is a party thereto, or the consummation of the issuance of the Class B Units pursuant to the terms of the Unit Purchase Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "<u>Governmental Approval</u>" means any consent, approval, license, authorization or validation of, or filing, recording or registration with, any executive, legislative, judicial, administrative or regulatory body of the State of Texas, the State of Delaware or the United States of America, pursuant to (i) applicable laws of the State of Texas, (ii) the DGCL, (iii) the Delaware LP Act, (iv) the Delaware LLC Act or (v) applicable laws of the United States of America.

11. CQP is not an "investment company" within the meaning of said term as used in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(1) The GP Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding agreement of Cheniere Holdings, and is enforceable against Cheniere Holdings, in accordance with its terms, under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (6 <u>Del. C.</u> § 18-101, <u>et seq</u>.).

(2) The Second Amended Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding agreement of the General Partner, and is enforceable against the General Partner, in accordance with its terms, under the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act (6 <u>Del. C.</u> § 17-101, <u>et seq.</u>) (the "LP Act").

(3) The Second Amended Agreement has been duly adopted in accordance with the First Amended Agreement and the LP Act.

AMENDED AND RESTATED SERVICES AND SECONDMENT AGREEMENT

This Amended and Restated Services and Secondment Agreement ("Agreement"), dated as of ______, 2012 (the "Effective Date"), is entered into between CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC ("O&M"), a Delaware limited liability company, and CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC ("MLP GP"), a Delaware limited liability company. O&M and MLP GP are hereinafter each referred to as a "Party" and collectively referred to as the "Parties."

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, Sabine Pass LNG, a subsidiary of the Partnership, owns and operates the LNG Terminal;

WHEREAS, Partnership formed Liquefaction, to own, develop and operate the Liquefaction Facilities;

WHEREAS, on May [], 2012, Cheniere Energy sold 100% of its interest in Creole GP to the Partnership and Creole LP sold 100% of its limited partner interest in Creole, which owns and operates the Pipeline, to the Partnership;

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2005, O&M and the State of Louisiana entered into the Louisiana State Quality Jobs contract which provides certain payroll tax rebates and sales and use tax rebates for the creation of quality jobs, as defined in the Louisiana Quality Jobs contract, related to the LNG Terminal and the Pipeline;

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2012, O&M and the State of Louisiana entered into the Louisiana State Quality Jobs contract which provides certain payroll tax rebates and sales and use tax rebates for the creation of quality jobs, as defined in the Louisiana Quality Jobs contract, related to the Liquefaction Facilities and Pipeline;

WHEREAS, the Parties had previously entered into the Original Agreement pursuant to which O&M seconded to MLP GP certain individuals listed in Exhibit B of the Original Agreement to provide services with respect to the LNG Terminal;

WHEREAS, O&M and Sabine Pass LNG are parties to an Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated as of February 25, 2005 (the "LNG O&M Agreement") with respect to the operation and maintenance of the LNG Terminal;

WHEREAS, as of March 26, 2007, O&M assigned to MLP GP and MLP GP assumed from O&M all of O&M's obligations under the LNG O&M Agreement;

WHEREAS, MLP GP and Liquefaction are parties to the Liquefaction O&M Agreement with respect to the construction, operation and maintenance of the Liquefaction Facilities;

WHEREAS, O&M and Creole are parties to the Creole O&M Agreement dated as of November 26, 2007, amended as of May [], 2012, with respect to the operation and maintenance of the Pipeline;

WHEREAS, on May [], 2012, O&M assigned to MLP GP and MLP GP assumed from O&M all of O&M's obligation under the Creole O&M Agreement;

WHEREAS, O&M will provide to MLP GP the operational and maintenance resources and services necessary for MLP GP to meet its obligations under the O&M Agreements;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend and restate the Original Agreement in its entirety to provide for O&M to second, or cause its Affiliate to second, to MLP GP certain personnel employed by O&M or its Affiliates in connection with the Facilities.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, O&M and MLP GP hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS; INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, (a) the terms defined in this Agreement will have the meanings so specified, and (b) capitalized terms not defined in this Agreement will have the meanings ascribed to those terms on Exhibit A to this Agreement.

1.2 Interpretation.

In this Agreement, unless a clear contrary intention appears: (a) the singular includes the plural and vice versa; (b) reference to any Person includes such Person's successors and assigns but, in the case of any Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this Agreement, and reference to a Person in a particular capacity excludes such Person in any other capacity; (c) reference to any gender includes each other gender; (d) reference to any agreement (including this Agreement), document or instrument means such agreement, document or instrument as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms of this Agreement; (e) reference to any Section means such Section of this Agreement, and references in any Section or definition to any clause means such clause of such Section or definition; (f) "hereunder," "hereof," "hereto" and words of similar import will be deemed references to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Section or other provision hereof or thereof; (g) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (h) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including," "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including."

Exhibit F

1.3 Legal Representation of Parties.

This Agreement was negotiated by the Parties with the benefit of legal representation, and any rule of construction or interpretation requiring this Agreement to be construed or interpreted against any Party merely because such Party drafted all or a part of such Agreement will not apply to any construction or interpretation hereof or thereof.

1.4 <u>Titles and Headings</u>.

Section titles and headings in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be a part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES

2.1 Operational and Maintenance Services.

O&M shall second, or cause its applicable seconding Affiliate to second, the Provided Personnel to MLP GP to provide the Services. O&M acknowledges and agrees that the Provided Personnel are, and during the term of this Agreement, will be, experienced (to the extent required to perform the Services) and qualified (and if required, licensed) in the duties to which they are assigned by MLP GP. O&M (or the applicable appropriate seconding Affiliate) shall be responsible for paying the salaries and all benefits of the Provided Personnel and meeting all governmental liabilities with respect to the Provided Personnel.

2.2 Louisiana Quality Jobs Contract Services.

O&M hereby agrees to abide by all legal and administrative requirements of the Louisiana Quality Jobs Contract. O&M shall timely submit all Louisiana Quality Job Program tax rebate filings to the appropriate Louisiana governmental authority. Within five business days of receipt of such tax rebate, O&M shall transfer 100% of such tax rebate amount to MLP GP.

2.3 Fees and Expenses.

Each month, MLP GP will pay to O&M, within a reasonable time following receipt thereof, all payments that MLP GP receives pursuant to Articles VIII and IX of the applicable O&M Agreement less any reasonable costs of, or incidental to, MLP GP's engaging (or engaging a third party to engage) personnel to provide Services pursuant to <u>Section 3.6</u> hereof.

2.4 Suspension of Services.

In the event MLP GP fails to meet its payment obligations under <u>Section 2.3</u> hereof for any reason other than a Dispute and (a) such failure continues for 30 days after MLP GP's receipt of written notice of such failure, O&M may suspend the performance of its obligations under <u>Section 2.1</u> hereof until such time as MLP GP cures such failure

ARTICLE 3 SECONDMENT

3.1 Provided Personnel.

Subject to the terms of this Agreement, O&M agrees to second to MLP GP, and MLP GP agrees to accept the Secondment of, the personnel necessary or appropriate to perform the Services (the "Provided Personnel"), which currently includes those certain specifically identified individuals listed in <u>Exhibit B</u> (the "Provided Personnel Schedule"). The Provided Personnel will be temporary service providers of MLP GP during the Period of Secondment and shall, at all times during the Period of Secondment, work under the direction, supervision and control of MLP GP. Provided Personnel shall have no authority or apparent authority to act on behalf of O&M during the Period of Secondment. The Provided Personnel Schedule sets forth, as of the Effective Date, the names of the Provided Personnel seconded by O&M, the job functions of the Provided Personnel, and the starting and ending dates, if known, for the Period of Secondment of the Provided Personnel. Individuals may be added or removed from the Provided Personnel Schedule from time to time by the execution by the Parties of a completed "Addition/Removal/Change of Responsibility of Provided Personnel" form, the form of which shall be similar to the form attached to this Agreement as <u>Exhibit C</u>, which will be fully binding on the Parties for all purposes under this Agreement. Those rights and obligations of the Provided Personnel Schedule, which rights and obligations accrued before the removal of such individual, will survive the removal of such individual from the Provided Personnel Schedule to the extent necessary to enforce such rights and obligations.

3.2 Period of Secondment.

O&M will second, or cause its applicable seconding Affiliate to second, to MLP GP such Provided Personnel on the start date set forth on the Provided Personnel Schedule and continuing, during the period (and only during the period) that the Provided Personnel are performing Services for MLP GP, until the earlier of

(a) the end of the term of this Agreement with respect to such Provided Personnel;

(b) the end date set forth for the Provided Personnel on the Provided Personnel Schedule (or another end date for such Provided Personnel as mutually agreed in writing by the Parties) (the "End Date");

- (c) a withdrawal, departure, resignation or termination of such Provided Personnel under Section 3.3; or
- (d) a termination of Secondment of such Provided Personnel under Section 3.4.

The period of time that any Provided Personnel is provided by O&M to MLP GP is referred to in this Agreement as the "Period of Secondment." At the end of the Period of Secondment for any Provided Personnel, such Provided Personnel will no longer be subject to the direction by MLP GP

with respect to the Provided Personnel's day-to-day activities. The Parties acknowledge that certain of the Provided Personnel may also provide services to Cheniere Energy and its Affiliates in connection with their respective operations, including other services provided to MLP GP and its Affiliates ("Shared Provided Personnel"), and the Parties intend that such Shared Provided Personnel shall only be seconded to MLP GP during those times that the Shared Provided Personnel are performing Services for MLP GP hereunder.

3.3 Withdrawal, Departure or Resignation.

O&M will use reasonable efforts to prevent any early withdrawal, departure or resignation of any Provided Personnel prior to the End Date for such Provided Personnel's Period of Secondment. If any Provided Personnel tenders his resignation to O&M as its employee, O&M will promptly notify MLP GP. During the Period of Secondment of any Provided Personnel, O&M will not voluntarily withdraw or terminate any Provided Personnel except with the written consent of MLP GP (which may be through the execution of a completed "Addition/Removal/Change of Responsibility of Provided Personnel" form, which shall be similar to the form set forth on Exhibit C hereto) such consent not to be unreasonably withheld. O&M will indemnify, defend and hold harmless MLP GP, its directors, officers and employees against all Losses arising out of or in any way connected with or related to the termination of employment of the Provided Personnel by O&M EVEN THOUGH SUCH LOSS MAY BE CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF MLP GP AND ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, except to the extent that such Losses arise out of or result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of any of MLP GP or its directors, officers or employees. Upon the termination of employment, the Provided Personnel will cease performing Services for MLP GP.

3.4 Termination of Secondment.

MLP GP will have the right to terminate the Secondment to MLP GP of any Provided Personnel for any reason at any time. Upon the termination of any Provided Personnel's Period of Secondment, O&M will be solely liable for any costs or expenses associated with the termination of the Secondment, except as otherwise specifically set forth in this Agreement. O&M will indemnify, defend and hold harmless MLP GP, its directors, officers and employees against all Losses arising out of or in any way connected with the termination of Secondment of the Provided Personnel by O&M EVEN THOUGH SUCH LOSS MAY BE CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF MLP GP AND ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, except to the extent that such Losses arise out of or result from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of any of MLP GP or its directors, officers or employees. Upon the termination of a Secondment, the Provided Personnel will cease performing Services for MLP GP.

3.5 Supervision.

During the Period of Secondment, MLP GP shall:

(a) be ultimately and fully responsible for the daily work assignments of the Provided Personnel (and with respect to Shared Provided Personnel, during those times that the Shared Provided Personnel are performing Services for MLP GP hereunder), including supervision of their the day-to-day work activities and performance consistent with the purposes stated in <u>Section 3.1</u> and the job functions set forth in the Provided Personnel Schedule;

(b) set the hours of work and the holidays and vacation schedules (other than with respect to Shared Provided Personnel, as to which MLP GP and O&M shall jointly determine) for Provided Personnel; and

(c) have the right to determine training which will be received by the Provided Personnel.

In the course and scope of performing any Provided Personnel job functions, the Provided Personnel will be integrated into the organization of MLP GP, will report into MLP GP's management structure, and will be under the direct management and supervision of MLP GP employees or Provided Personnel designated by MLP GP to be responsible for the supervisory functions set forth in this <u>Section 3.5</u> on behalf of MLP GP.

3.6 Provided Personnel Qualifications; Approval.

O&M will provide such suitably qualified and experienced Provided Personnel as O&M is able to make available to MLP GP, and MLP GP will have the right to approve such Provided Personnel. In the event that O&M is unable to provide suitably qualified and experienced personnel, as determined in good faith by MLP GP, MLP GP may engage (or hire a third party to engage) personnel to provide Services.

ARTICLE 4

TERM

The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue in full force and effect until the latest of the dates of termination of each of the O&M Agreements.

ARTICLE 5 INDEMNIFICATION

5.1 Loss or Damage to the Facilities.

O&M shall be responsible for any physical loss or damage to the Facilities resulting from O&M's gross negligence or willful misconduct in the course of the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, in an amount not to exceed for any such loss or damage incurred during a given calendar year the greater of (i) the applicable deductible under MLP GP's and its Affiliates physical damage insurance policies that covers such loss or damage or (ii) four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000).

5.2 O&M Indemnity.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, O&M shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the MLP GP Group from and against all damages, losses, costs and expenses (including all reasonable attorneys' fees, and litigation or arbitration expenses) arising out of or resulting from or related to (i) injury to or death of any member of the O&M Group or (ii) damage to or destruction of property of any member of the O&M Group occurring in connection with the services, regardless of the cause of such injury, death, physical damage or destruction, including the sole or joint negligence, breach of contract or other basis of liability of any member of the MLP GP Group.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, O&M shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the MLP GP Group against any and all Losses of whatever kind and nature, including all related costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, in respect of personal injury to or death of third parties and in respect of Loss of or damage to any third party property to the extent that the same arises out of:

- (a) any breach by O&M of its obligations hereunder;
- (b) any negligent act or omission on the part of O&M; and
- (c) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of O&M.

Any indemnification payable by O&M to MLP GP hereunder shall be net of any insurance proceeds received by MLP GP under MLP GP's, O&M's or any of their respective Affiliates' insurance policies with respect to the circumstances giving rise to O&M's indemnification of MLP GP hereunder, and shall be subject to the limitation set forth in <u>Section 6.1</u>.

5.3 MLP GP Indemnity.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, MLP GP shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the O&M Group from and against all damages, losses, costs and expenses (including all reasonable attorneys' fees, and litigation or arbitration expenses) arising out of or resulting from or related to (i) injury to or death of any member of the MLP GP Group or (ii) damage to or destruction of property of MLP GP Group (excluding the facilities) occurring in connection with the services, regardless of the cause of such injury, death, physical damage or destruction, including the sole or joint negligence, breach of contract or other basis of liability of any member of the O&M Group.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, MLP GP shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless O&M against any and all claims for Losses of whatever kind and nature, including all related costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, in respect of personal injury to or death of third parties and in respect of loss of or damage to any third party property to the extent that the same arises out of:

- (a) any breach by MLP GP of its obligations hereunder;
- (b) any negligent act or omission on the part of MLP GP; and
- (c) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of MLP GP.

Any indemnification payable by MLP GP to O&M hereunder shall be net of any insurance proceeds received by O&M under O&M's, MLP GP's or any of their respective Affiliates' insurance policies with respect to the circumstances giving rise to MLP GP's indemnification of O&M hereunder.

5.4 Other Indemnity Rules.

If any Losses arise, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, out of the joint or concurrent negligence of both Parties, each Party's liability therefor shall be limited to such Party's proportionate degree of fault. Payments required to be paid by O&M to MLP GP under this <u>Article 5</u> shall not constitute an Operating Expense or be reimbursable to O&M from MLP GP, and shall be subject to the limitation set forth in <u>Section 6.1</u>.

ARTICLE 6 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

6.1 Limitation of Liability.

The aggregate amount of damages, compensation, or other such liabilities (other than with respect to the indemnity provided in the first paragraph of <u>Section 5.3</u>) payable by MLP GP under this Agreement for any damages, compensation or liabilities incurred in any calendar year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, the amount payable to O&M under <u>Section 2.3</u> hereof plus reimbursable Operating Expenses for that calendar year.

The aggregate amount of damages, compensation, or other such liabilities (other than (i) with respect to the losses or damages described in <u>Section 5.1</u>, to the extent such losses or damages exceed the limitation set forth in clause (ii) of <u>Section 5.1</u> but only to extent of the limitation set forth in clause (i) of <u>Section 5.1</u>, and (ii) the indemnity provided in the first paragraph of <u>Section 5.2</u>) payable by O&M under this Agreement for any damages, compensation or liabilities incurred in any calendar year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00).

6.2 Consequential Damages.

Neither party shall be liable under this agreement or under any cause of action related to the subject matter of this agreement, whether in contract, warranty, tort including negligence, strict liability, professional liability, product liability, contribution, or any other cause of action for special, exemplary, punitive, indirect, incidental or consequential losses or damages, including loss of profit, loss of use, loss of opportunity, loss of revenues, or loss of good will; *provided that* the foregoing shall not apply to indemnities FOR THIRD PARTY CLAIMS expressly provided in this agreement.

ARTICLE 7 GENERAL PROVISIONS

7.1 Accuracy of Recitals.

The paragraphs contained in the recitals to this Agreement are incorporated in this Agreement by this reference, and the Parties to this Agreement acknowledge the accuracy thereof.

7.2 Notices.

Any notice, demand, or communication required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered personally, by reputable courier, or by telecopier, and shall be deemed to have been duly given as of the date and time reflected on the delivery receipt if delivered personally or sent by reputable courier service, or on the automatic telecopier receipt if sent by telecopier, addressed as follows:

To MLP GP:

Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Telecopy: 713-375-6000

with a copy to:

Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

and:

Sabine Pass LNG, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 7702

and:

Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

To O&M:

Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Telecopy: 713-375-6000

Any Person may change its address for the purposes of notices hereunder by giving notice to the Parties specifying such changed address in the manner specified in this <u>Section 7.2</u>.

7.3 Further Assurances.

The Parties agree to execute such additional instruments, agreements and documents, and to take such other actions, as may be necessary to effect the purposes of this Agreement.

7.4 Modifications.

Any actions or agreement by the Parties to modify this Agreement, in whole or in part, shall be binding upon the Parties, so long as such modification shall be in writing and shall be executed by all Parties with the same formality with which this Agreement was executed.

7.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

No Person not a Party to this Agreement will have any rights under this Agreement as a third party beneficiary or otherwise, including, without limitation, Provided Personnel.

7.6 Relationship of the Parties.

Nothing in this Agreement will constitute the Partnership Entities, O&M or its Affiliates as members of any partnership, joint venture, association, syndicate or other entity.

7.7 Assignment.

Neither Party shall, without the prior written consent of the other Party, assign, mortgage, pledge or otherwise convey this Agreement or any of its rights or duties hereunder; *provided*, *however*, that no such consent shall be unreasonably withheld in the case of an assignment to an Affiliate and no such consent is required for assignment or grant of a security interest to any Person for purposes of any financing arrangement. Unless written consent is not required under this <u>Section 7.7</u>, any attempted or purported assignment, mortgage, pledge or conveyance by a Party without the written consent of the other Party shall be void and of no force and effect. No assignment, mortgage, pledge or other conveyance by a Party shall relieve such Party of any liabilities or obligations under this Agreement.

7.8 Binding Effect.

This Agreement will be binding upon, and will inure to the benefit of, the Parties and their respective successors, permitted assigns and legal representatives.

7.9 Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. Each Party may execute this Agreement by signing any such counterpart.

7.10 <u>Time of the Essence</u>.

Time is of the essence in the performance of this Agreement.

7.11 Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be deemed to be a contract made under, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with and governed by, the laws of the State of Texas excluding its conflicts of laws principles that would apply the laws of another jurisdiction.

7.12 Delay or Partial Exercise Not Waiver.

No failure or delay on the part of any Party to exercise any right or remedy under this Agreement will operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right or remedy under this Agreement preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or remedy granted hereby or any related document. The waiver by either Party of a breach of any provisions of this Agreement will not constitute a waiver of a similar breach in the future or of any other breach or nullify the effectiveness of such provision.

7.13 Entire Agreement.

This Agreement constitutes and expresses the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. All previous discussions, promises, representations and understandings relative thereto are hereby merged in and superseded by this Agreement.

7.14 <u>Waiver</u>.

To be effective, any waiver or any right under this Agreement will be in writing and signed by a duly authorized officer or representative of the Party bound thereby.

7.15 Signatories Duly Authorized.

Each of the signatories to this Agreement represents that he is duly authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Party for which he is signing, and that such signature is sufficient to bind the Party purportedly represented.

7.16 Incorporation of Exhibits by References.

Any reference herein to any exhibit to this Agreement will incorporate it herein, as if it were set out in full in the text of this Agreement.

7.17 Dispute Resolution.

(a) <u>Negotiation</u>. In the event that any Dispute cannot be resolved informally within 30 days after the Dispute arises, either Party may give written notice of the Dispute (a "Dispute Notice") to the other Party requesting that a representative of MLP GP's senior management and O&M's senior management meet in an attempt to resolve the Dispute. Each such management representative shall have full authority to resolve the Dispute and shall meet at a mutually agreeable time and place within 30 days after receipt by the non-notifying Party of such Dispute Notice, and thereafter as often as they deem reasonably necessary to exchange relevant information and to attempt to resolve the Dispute. In no event shall this <u>Section 7.17(a)</u> be construed to limit either Party's right to take any action under this Agreement. The Parties agree that if any Dispute is not resolved within 90 days after receipt of the Dispute Notice given in this <u>Section 7.17(a)</u>, then either Party may by notice to the other Party refer the Dispute to be decided by final and binding arbitration in accordance with <u>Section 7.17(b)</u>.

(b) Arbitration. Any arbitration held under this Agreement shall be held in Houston, Texas, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, shall be administered by the Dallas. Texas office of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") and shall, except as otherwise modified by this Section 7.17(b), be governed by the AAA's International Arbitration Rules (the "AAA Rules"). The number of arbitrators required for the arbitration hearing shall be determined in accordance with the AAA Rules. The arbitrator(s) shall determine the rights and obligations of the Parties according to the substantive law of the state of Texas, excluding its conflict of law principles, as would a court for the state of Texas; provided, however, the law applicable to the validity of the arbitration clause, the conduct of the arbitration, including resort to a court for provisional remedies, the enforcement of any award and any other question of arbitration law or procedure shall be the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C.A. § 2. Issues concerning the arbitrability of a matter in dispute shall be decided by a court with proper jurisdiction. The Parties shall be entitled to engage in reasonable discovery, including the right to production of relevant and material documents by the opposing Party and the right to take depositions reasonably limited in number, time and place; provided that in no event shall any Party be entitled to refuse to produce relevant and non-privileged documents or copies thereof requested by the other Party within the time limit set and to the extent required by order of the arbitrator(s). All disputes regarding discovery shall be promptly resolved by the arbitrator(s). This agreement to arbitrate is binding upon the Parties, O&M's surety (if any) and the successors and permitted assigns of any of them. At either Party's option, any other Person may be joined as an additional party to any arbitration conducted under this Section 7.17(b), provided that the party to be joined is or may be liable to either Party in connection with all or any part of any dispute between the Parties. The arbitration award shall be final and binding, in writing, signed by all arbitrators, and shall state the reasons upon which the award thereof is based. The Parties agree that judgment on the arbitration award may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof.

(c) <u>Continuation of Work During Dispute</u>. Subject to <u>Section 2.4</u> hereof, notwithstanding any Dispute it shall be the responsibility of each Party to continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement pending resolution of Disputes.

[Signature page follows]

AS WITNESS HEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on the date herein above mentioned.

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC

By: Name: Title:

CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC

By: Name: Title:

EXHIBIT A

Definitions

"AAA" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.17(b).

"AAA Rules" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.17(b).

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, (a) any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with such Person, (b) any Person owning or controlling fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting interests of such Person, (c) any officer or director of such Person, or (d) any Person who is the officer, director, trustee, or holder of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting interest of any Person described in clauses (a) through (c). For purposes of this definition, the term "controls," "is controlled by" or "is under common control with" shall mean the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. For purposes of this Agreement, no Partnership Entities shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of O&M nor shall O&M be deemed to be an Affiliate of any Partnership Entities.

"Agreement" shall mean this Amended and Restated Services and Secondment Agreement, including all Exhibits and amendments to this Agreement.

"Cheniere Energy" means Cheniere Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Creole" means Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Creole GP" means Cheniere Pipeline GP Interests, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Creole LP" means Grand Cheniere Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Creole O&M Agreement" means the Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated November 26, 2007, entered into between O&M and Creole, as may be amended from time to time.

"Dispute" means any dispute, controversy or claim (of any and every kind or type whether based on contract, tort, statute, regulation or otherwise) arising out of, relating to or connected with this Agreement, including any dispute as to the construction, validity, interpretation, termination, enforceability or breach of this Agreement, as well as any dispute over arbitrability or jurisdiction.

"Dispute Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.17(a).

"Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"End Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(b).

"Facilities" means the LNG Terminal, the Liquefaction Facilities and the Pipeline.

"Liquefaction" means Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Liquefaction Facilities" means liquefaction facilities adjacent to or at the same location as the LNG Terminal.

"Liquefaction O&M Agreement" means the Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated as of May 14, 2012, entered into between MLP GP and Liquefaction, as may be amended from time to time.

"LNG O&M Agreement" means the Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated as of February 25, 2005, entered into between O&M and Sabine Pass LNG, as may be amended from time to time.

"LNG Terminal" means the liquefied natural gas receiving terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana owned by Sabine Pass LNG.

"Louisiana Quality Jobs Contract" means all rights, responsibilities, benefits and duties pursuant to the Louisiana Quality Jobs contracts dated January 1, 2005 and January 1, 2012 between O&M and the State of Louisiana.

"Losses" means any and all costs, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), claims, demands, losses, liabilities, obligations, actions, lawsuits and other proceedings, judgments and awards.

"MLP GP" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"MLP GP Group" means (i) the Partnership Entities and (ii) the respective directors, officers, agents, partners, employees and representatives of each Person specified in clause (i) above.

"O&M" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"O&M Agreements" shall mean, collectively, the LNG O&M Agreement, the Liquefaction O&M Agreement and the Creole O&M Agreement.

"O&M Group" means (i) O&M and its Affiliates (other than MLP GP) and (ii) the respective directors, officers, agents, employees, partners, representatives of each Person specified in clause (i) above.

"Original Agreement" means the Services and Secondment Agreement dated as of March 26, 2007, entered into between O&M and MLP GP.

"Operating Expense" has the meaning set forth in the applicable O&M Agreement.

"Partnership" means Cheniere Energy Partners L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Partnership Entities" means MLP GP and the Partnership and its subsidiaries.

"Party" or "Parties" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Period of Secondment" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"Person" means any individual or any partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust or other legal entity.

"Pipeline" means approximately 94 miles of natural gas pipeline owned by Creole and connecting the LNG Terminal to numerous interconnections points with existing interstate natural gas pipelines in southwest Louisiana.

"Provided Personnel" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"Provided Personnel Schedule" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"Sabine Pass LNG" means Sabine Pass LNG, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Secondment" means each assignment of any Provided Personnel to MLP GP from O&M in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

"Services" means all of the services to be provided by MLP GP to each of Sabine Pass LNG, Liquefaction and Creole pursuant to the O&M Agreements, including the "Services" as defined in each of the O&M Agreements.

"Shared Provided Personnel" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

EXHIBIT B

Provided Personnel

In reference to that certain Amended and Restated Services and Secondment Agreement, dated ______, 2012 (the "Amended and Restated Secondment Agreement"; terms with initial capital letters used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Amended and Restated Secondment Agreement), between CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. All information on this form must be filled in for this form to be valid.

Seconding Company	Name of Provided Personnel	Title and Job Functions	Start Date	End Date

EXHIBIT C

Addition/Removal/Change of Responsibility of Provided Personnel Form

In reference to that certain Amended and Restated Services and Secondment Agreement, dated ______, 2012 (the "Amended and Restated Secondment Agreement"; terms with initial capital letters used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Amended and Restated Secondment Agreement), CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

In accordance with <u>Section 3.1</u> of the Amended and Restated Secondment Agreement, the Parties hereto wish to add, remove or change the responsibilities of the following individual or individuals to the Provided Personnel Schedule (all information must be filled in for this form to be valid):

Seconding Company	Name of Provided Personnel	Title and Job Functions	Start Date	End Date

CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC

By: By: Name: Name: Title: Title: ____, 2012

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Attention: President

> Re: Management and Administrative Services to be Provided by Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. ("Terminals") to Cheniere Energy Re: Partners, L.P. (the "Partnership")

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter agreement is to amend and restate the arrangement between Terminals and the Partnership, as originally set forth in that certain letter agreement, dated as of March 26, 2007, and amended as of June 24, 2010, which is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as set forth herein effective as of May [__], 2012. Except as otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms shall have the meaning set out in the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. dated as of [__], 2012 (as it may be amended or modified and in effect from time to time, the "Partnership Agreement").

1. Effective as of March 26, 2007 (the "Effective Date"), Terminals agrees to provide or cause to be provided to or for the benefit of the Partnership and its Subsidiaries, all technical, commercial, regulatory, financial, accounting, treasury, tax and legal staffing and related support and all management and other services necessary or reasonably requested on behalf of the Partnership (by its general partner) in order to conduct its business as contemplated by the Partnership Agreement (such support and services, collectively, the "Services"); provided, however, that the Services shall not include support or services provided or to be provided (a) by Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. to Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. pursuant to the Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated February 25, 2005 and subsequently assigned by Cheniere LNG O&M Services, L.P. to Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC ("MLP GP"), (b) by Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC ("O&M") to MLP GP pursuant to the Amended and Restated Services and Secondment Agreement , 2012, (c) by Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc. to Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. pursuant to the Management Services Agreement dated dated as of February 25, 2005 and subsequently assigned by Sabine Pass LNG-GP, Inc. to Terminals, (d) by O&M to Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P. pursuant to the Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated November 26, 2007 (e) by MLP GP to Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC pursuant to the Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated May 14, 2012 (the Liquefaction O&M Agreement"), or (f) by Terminals to Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC pursuant to the Management Services Agreement dated May 14, 2012 (collectively, the agreements in (a) through (f), the "Service Agreements"). In connection with the Services, Terminals shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, provide the Partnership with such reports, contracts, agreements arrangements, documents and other information relating to or in connection with the Services (including, without limitation, any subcontracts, other third party contracts and any agreement or arrangements related thereto) as the Partnership may reasonably request from time to time.

2. In consideration of the Services to be provided by Terminals to the Partnership under paragraph 1 above, the Partnership agrees to pay Terminals: (i) upon signing of this letter agreement, to the extent not previously paid, [\$2.8 million] for the deferred Services Fee (defined below) for [the quarter ended March 31, 2012], (ii) on the date of, and immediately after, each quarterly distribution made pursuant to Section 6.4

or Section 6.5 of the Partnership Agreement commencing with the distribution in respect of the Quarter ending **[June 30, 2012]**, an non-accountable overhead reimbursement charge (the "Services Fee") equal to \$2.8 million, subject to adjustment for inflation as provided below; and (ii) within 30 days of receipt of an invoice therefor as described below, external audit, external tax (excluding outsourcing substantially all of such function) and financing fees incurred by Terminals that are necessary to perform the services hereunder ("Ancillary Expenses"), not previously invoiced; <u>provided</u> that, prior to incurrence of any material Ancillary Expense, Terminals provides written notice of such Ancillary Expenses to the Partnership, along with reasonable detail related thereto, and the Partnership provides written approval of such Ancillary Expenses after receipt of such written notice which approval will not be unreasonably withheld. The Services Fee shall be adjusted annually effective each January 1 for changes in the United States Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as published from time to time by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor (All Urban Consumers, U.S., All Items, 1982-1984, Not Seasonally Adjusted, Series I.D. CUUR0000SA0). Terminals shall submit an invoice on or prior to the tenth (10th) day of each month reflecting the Ancillary Expenses and the basis for reimbursement thereof.

In no event shall Ancillary Expenses include any costs or expenses (a) incurred by Terminals or any of its Affiliates in or with respect to any month prior to the applicable month to which the invoice related thereto relates or (b) which results in the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries paying twice for the same service provided pursuant to this Agreement or any other operation and maintenance agreement, any other management service agreement or similar agreement or arrangement.

3. This letter agreement is solely and exclusively between Terminals and the Partnership, and any obligations created herein shall be the sole obligation of the parties hereto. Neither party shall have any recourse to any parent, partner, Subsidiary, joint venture, Affiliate, director or officer of the other party for the performance of such obligations, unless such obligations are assumed in writing by the Person against whom recourse is sought. The Partnership will indemnify and hold Terminals harmless in respect of any losses as a result of breach of this letter agreement by the Partnership; provided that the aggregate amount of such losses payable by the Partnership under this letter agreement in any calendar year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, the amount paid or payable to Terminals by the Partnership pursuant to paragraph 2 above in such calendar year; provided that the foregoing limitation on liability shall not apply with respect to any intentional breach of this letter agreement by the Partnership. Terminals will indemnify and hold the Partnership harmless in respect of any losses as a result of breach of this letter agreement by the Partnership. Terminals will indemnify and hold the Partnership harmless in respect of any losses as a result of breach of this letter agreement by the Partnership. Terminals will indemnify and hold the Partnership harmless in respect of any losses as a result of breach of this letter agreement by Terminals; provided that the aggregate amount of such losses payable by Terminals under this Letter Agreement in any calendar year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, the amount paid or payable to Terminals under this Letter Agreement in any calendar year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, the amount paid or payable to Terminals under this Letter Agreement in any calendar year.

4. Terminals may in its sole discretion assign this letter agreement and all rights and obligations of Terminals under this letter agreement to another entity wholly owned, directly or indirectly, by CEI (other than MLP GP and its Subsidiaries), such assignment to be effective upon delivery to the Partnership by Terminals and such assignee of a written instrument of assumption and assignment providing for the assumption of this letter agreement and all such rights and obligations by the assignee, and the prospective release of Terminals with respect thereto, and otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Partnership.

5. The term of this letter agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue in full force and effect until twenty (20) years after Substantial Completion (as defined in the Liquefaction O&M Agreement) of the last Train (as defined in the Liquefaction O&M Agreement) to attain Substantial Completion. The term of this letter agreement shall continue for twelve (12) months following the end of the initial term and for each twelve-month period following each anniversary of the end of the initial term unless terminated prior to the end of any twelve-month period by the Partnership or Terminals. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this paragraph 5:

(a) in the event (i) Terminals is bankrupt, insolvent, incurs a dissolution, or cessation of its business, (ii) Terminals ceases to provide all Services required to be performed by it hereunder for ten (10) consecutive days except as required or permitted hereunder, or (iii) Terminals materially fails to perform its obligations hereunder (including, without limitation, the performing of Services) which continues for thirty (30) days after Terminals' receipt of notice of such failure from the Partnership which notice shall include the Partnership's recommendation for a cure of such failure, unless Terminals commences to cure such failure within said thirty (30) days and cures such failure within seventy-five (75) days after its receipt of the aforesaid notice, then the Partnership shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to do any or all of the following: (1) terminate this letter agreement; (2) obtain specific performance of Terminals' obligations hereunder; (3) perform (or engage a third party to perform) Terminals' obligations hereunder, and (4) pursue any and all other remedies available at law or in equity; and

(b) in the event (i) the Partnership is bankrupt, insolvent, incurs a dissolution, or cessation of its business, (ii) the Partnership materially fails to perform its obligations hereunder which continues for thirty (30) days after the Partnership's receipt of notice of such failure from the Partnership, unless the Partnership commences to cure such failure within said thirty (30) days and either cures or continues diligently to cure, or (iii) a default by the Partnership in its payment obligations to Terminals, unless the Partnership has cured such default within thirty (30) days from receipt of written notice of such default from Terminals, then Terminals shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to do any or all of the following: (1) terminate this letter agreement; and (2) pursue any and all other remedies available at law or in equity.

6. Neither party shall be in default in the performance of any of its obligations under this letter agreement or liable to the other party for failing to perform its obligations hereunder (other than the obligation to pay money when due) to the extent prevented by any circumstance or event beyond the reasonable control of such party ("Force Majeure Event"). The affected party shall provide prompt written notice of the Force Majeure Event to the other party and use all reasonable efforts to continue to perform its obligations hereunder.

Following the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, Terminals (a) shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate or limit the amount of Ancillary Expenses until the effects of the Force Majeure Event are remedied, (b) shall reduce or eliminate the Services Fee as appropriate to reflect modifications to levels of Service provided, and (c) shall take such actions as are reasonably directed by the Partnership after consultation with Terminals. The Partnership shall continue to pay such reduced Ancillary Expenses and Services Fee.

7. This letter agreement shall be deemed to be a contract made under, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with and governed by, the laws of the State of Texas excluding its conflicts of laws principles that would apply the laws of another jurisdiction.

(Signature page follows)

If the foregoing memorializes our agreement, please sign in the space provided below and return a fully executed counterpart to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc.

By:

Name: Title:

Agreed as of the above date:

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

By: Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, its general partner

By:

Name: Title:

Cheniere Energy, Inc.

By:

Name: Title:

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Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

Class B Unit Purchase Agreement

Houston, Texas May 14, 2012

Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. 700 Milam Street, 8th Floor Houston, Texas 77002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a limited partnership organized under the laws of Delaware (the "<u>Partnership</u>"), proposes to directly sell (the "<u>Offering</u>") to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Purchaser</u>"), up to 33,333,334 Class B Units (the "<u>Purchased</u> <u>Units</u>"), each representing a limited partner interest in the Partnership ("<u>Common Units</u>"). Certain terms used herein are defined in <u>Section 14</u> hereof. Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC is referred to herein as the "<u>General Partner</u>," and the General Partner, together with the Partnership, is referred to collectively herein as the "<u>Cheniere Entities</u>".

This is to confirm the agreement among the Partnership and Purchaser concerning the purchase of the Purchased Units from the Partnership by the Purchaser.

1. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Partnership</u>. The Partnership represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Purchaser as set forth below in this <u>Section 1</u>.

(a) *Formation and Qualification of the Cheniere Entities*. Each of the Cheniere Entities has been duly formed and is validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware with all limited liability company or limited partnership, as the case may be, power and authority necessary to own or hold its properties and conduct the businesses in which it is engaged and (i) in the case of the General Partner, to act as general partner of the Partnership, and (ii) to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Each of the General Partner and the Partnership is duly registered or qualified to do business and is in good standing as a foreign limited liability company or limited partnership, as the case may be, in each jurisdiction in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its businesses requires such qualification or registration, except where the failure to so qualify or register would not (i) individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business or prospects of the Partnership and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole (an "<u>CQP Material Adverse Effect</u>") or (ii) subject the limited partners of the Partnership to any material liability.

(b) *Valid Issuance of the Purchased Units*. The Purchased Units and the limited partner interests represented thereby, will be duly authorized in accordance with the Amended Partnership Agreement and, when issued and delivered to the Purchaser against payment therefor in accordance with the terms hereof and the Amended Partnership Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required under the Amended Partnership Agreement) and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act). Upon their issuance in accordance with the Amended Partnership Agreement, the common units representing limited partner interests of the Partnership issuable upon conversion of the Purchased Units (the "<u>Conversion Units</u>"), will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required under the Amended Partnership Agreement) and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act).

(c) *Authority*. Each of the Cheniere Entities has all requisite limited liability company and limited partnership power and authority, as the case may be, to execute and deliver this Agreement for itself or on behalf of the Partnership and for the Partnership to perform its obligations hereunder. The Partnership has all requisite power and authority to issue, sell and deliver the Purchased Units, in accordance with and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Amended Partnership Agreement.

(d) *Authorization, Execution and Delivery of Agreements.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Partnership and constitutes the valid and binding obligation of the Partnership, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(e) *No Conflicts*. None of the (i) offering, issuance and sale by the Partnership of the Purchased Units (including upon the conversion of the Purchased Units into Conversion Units), (ii) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by the Partnership, or (iii) consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (A) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a violation of any organizational documents of any of the Cheniere Entities, (B) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a breach or violation of, or a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which either of the Cheniere Entities is a party or by which either of them or any of their respective properties may be bound, (C) violates or will violate any statute, law or regulation or any order, judgment, decree or injunction of any court, arbitrator or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over either of the Cheniere Entities, or any of their respective properties or assets, or (D) results or will result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of any of the Cheniere Entities, which conflicts, breaches, violations, defaults or liens, in the case of clauses (B) or (D), would, individually or in the aggregate, have an CQP Material Adverse Effect.

(f) *Investment Company*. None of the Cheniere Entities is now, or immediately after the sale of the Purchased Units and application of the net proceeds from such sale as approved by the board of directors of the General Partner will be, an "investment company" or a company "controlled by" an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "<u>Investment Company Act</u>").

(g) Absence of Certain Actions. No action has been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order has been enacted, adopted or issued by any governmental agency or body which prevents the issuance or sale of the Purchased Units in any jurisdiction; no injunction, restraining order or order of any nature by any federal or state court of competent jurisdiction has been issued with respect to any of the Cheniere Entities which would prevent or suspend the issuance or sale of the Purchased Units; no action, suit or proceeding is pending against or, to the knowledge of the Cheniere Entities, threatened against or affecting any of the Cheniere Entities before any court or arbitrator or any governmental agency, body or official, domestic or foreign, which could reasonably be expected to interfere with or adversely affect the issuance of the Purchased Units or in any manner draw into question the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or any action taken or to be taken pursuant hereto.

2. <u>Representations of the Purchaser</u>. The Purchaser represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Partnership as set forth below in this <u>Section 2</u>.

(a) *Formation and Qualification of the Purchaser*. The Purchaser has been duly formed and is validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware with all corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as applicable, necessary to own or hold its properties and conduct the businesses in which it is engaged and to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

(b) *Authority*. The Purchaser has all requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as applicable, to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder.

(c) *Authorization, Execution and Delivery of Agreements.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Purchaser and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(d) *No Conflicts*. Neither the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by the Purchaser nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (A) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a violation of the organizational documents of the Purchaser, (B) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a breach or violation of, or a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which the Purchaser is a party or by which it or any of its respective properties may be bound, (C) violates or will violate any

statute, law or regulation or any order, judgment, decree or injunction of any court, arbitrator or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Purchaser, or any of its properties or assets, or (D) results or will result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Purchaser, which conflicts, breaches, violations, defaults or liens, in the case of clauses (B) or (D), would, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business or prospects of the Purchaser.

(e) Accredited Investor, Etc. The Purchaser is an accredited investor, as defined in Rule 501 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Purchaser is making this investment for its own account and not for the account of others and is not buying the Purchased Units with the present intention of reselling them. The Purchaser has conducted its own diligence regarding its investment in the Purchased Units and has sought such accounting, legal and tax advice as the Purchaser considers necessary to make an informed investment decision with respect to the Purchased Units. The Purchaser is experienced in investment and business matters (or has been advised by an investment adviser who is so experienced), understands fully the nature of the risk involved in its investment in the Purchased Units acquired hereunder and is financially able to assume such risks.

3. <u>Purchase and Sale</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, the Partnership agrees to sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser hereby agrees to purchase from the Partnership, 33,333,334 Purchased Units for a purchase price of \$15.00 per Purchased Unit.

4. <u>Delivery and Payment</u>. Delivery of and payment for any Purchased Units not purchased by the Purchaser prior to the date thereof shall be made on such Business Day that the conditions set forth in Section 5 have been satisfied (such date and time of delivery and payment for Purchased Units being herein called the "<u>Closing Date</u>"); provided, however, that if requested by the Partnership and agreed to by the Purchaser, the Purchaser may elect to purchase some or all of the Purchased Units prior to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 5. Delivery of the Purchased Units shall be made to the Purchaser against payment by the Purchaser of the purchase price therefor to or upon the order of the Partnership by wire transfer payable in same-day funds to an account specified by the Partnership. The Partnership shall deliver original unit certificates representing the Purchased Units, duly executed by the Partnership, unless the Purchaser shall otherwise instruct.

5. Conditions to Closing.

(a) The obligations of each of the Purchaser and the Partnership to purchase and sell, respectively, the Purchased Units shall be subject to satisfaction of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by a particular party on behalf of itself in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable law), as of the Closing Date:

(i) No statute, rule, order, decree or regulation shall have been enacted or promulgated, and no action shall have been taken, by any governmental authority which temporarily, preliminarily or permanently restrains, precludes, enjoins or

otherwise prohibits or seeks to prohibit the consummation of the sale and purchase of the Purchased Units;

(ii) There shall not be pending any suit, action or proceeding by any third party that is not a governmental authority which seeks to restrain, preclude, enjoin or prohibit the purchase and sale of the Purchased Units and, in each case, has a reasonable probability of success on the merits; and

(iii) The "Initial Funding" under the Unit Purchase Agreement shall have occurred or be occurring simultaneously on the Closing Date.

(b) The obligations of the Purchaser to purchase the Purchased Units shall be subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by the Purchaser in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable law), as of the Closing Date:

(i) The representations and warranties of the Partnership contained in this Agreement (other than Section 1(e)(iii)(B)) shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (other than the representations and warranties as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct on and as of such date) without giving effect to any limitation as to materiality or CQP Material Adverse Effect set forth therein, except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a CQP Material Adverse Effect;

(ii) The Partnership shall have performed in all material respects all of the covenants required to be performed by it hereunder prior to the Closing Date;

(iii) The Amended Partnership Agreement shall have been duly executed by the General Partner and shall be in full force and effect; and

(iv) The Registration Rights Agreement shall have been duly executed by the Partnership and shall be in full force and effect.

(c) The obligations of the Partnership to sell the Purchased Units shall be subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by the Seller in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable law), as of the Closing Date:

(i) All of the representations and warranties of the Purchaser contained in this Agreement shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (other than the representations and warranties as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct on and as of such date) without giving effect to any limitation as to materiality set forth therein, except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to cause, a delay in the

Closing Date or impair the Purchaser's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement; and

(ii) The Purchaser shall have performed in all material respects all of the covenants required to be performed by it hereunder prior to the Closing Date.

6. Termination

(a) This Agreement may be terminated and the purchase and sale of the Purchased Units abandoned at any time prior to the Closing Date:

(i) by mutual written consent of the Purchaser and the Partnership;

(ii) by written notice by either the Purchaser or the Partnership if the Closing Date has not occurred by December 31, 2012 (the "<u>Outside Date</u>"); provided, however, that the foregoing right to terminate this Agreement shall not be available to any party whose breach of this Agreement has been the cause of, or resulted in, the failure of the Closing Date to occur on or before such date;

(iii) by either the Purchaser or the Partnership if a governmental entity shall have issued an order, writ, injunction or decree or taken any other action, in each case permanently restraining, enjoining, or otherwise prohibiting the purchase or sale of the Purchased Units; or

(iv) by either the Purchaser or the Partnership in the event of a material breach by the Partnership or the Purchaser, respectively, of any representation, warranty, covenant or other agreement contained in this Agreement which (A) would give rise to the failure of a condition precedent of the Purchaser or the Partnership, respectively, and (B) cannot be or has not been cured within the earlier of (x) 30 days following receipt by the breaching party of written notice of such breach and (y) the Business Day immediately preceding the Outside Date.

(b) Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 6</u>, the undertakings of the parties set forth in this Agreement shall forthwith be of no further force and effect; provided, however, that no such termination shall relieve any party of any liability for willful material breach of any term or provision hereof.

7. <u>Survival</u>. All of the representations, warranties and covenants of the parties to this Agreement shall terminate on the Closing Date and there shall be no liability on the part of any party to this Agreement thereafter with respect thereto, except for the representations and warranties set forth in Sections 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 2(b) and 2(c), which shall survive indefinitely.

8. <u>Notices</u>. All communications hereunder will be in writing and effective only upon receipt, and, if sent to the Purchaser, will be mailed or delivered to Cheniere Common Units Holding, LLC, 700 Milam Street, 8th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Chief Financial Officer; or, if sent to the Partnership, will be mailed or delivered to Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., 700

Milam Street, 8th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Chief Financial Officer.

9. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, and no other person will have any right or obligation hereunder. The Purchaser shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to assign all of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to a directly or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Purchaser.

10. <u>Applicable Law</u>. THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

12. Headings. The section headings used herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

13. <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may only be amended by written instrument signed by the parties hereto.

14. <u>Severability</u>. If any term of this Agreement is found to be invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced under applicable law or public policy, such term shall be deemed amended to the minimum extent possible to make such term valid, legal and enforceable, and if such term is not capable of being so amended, it shall be deemed excised from this Agreement, and the other terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transaction contemplated hereby are not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party.

15. Definitions. The terms which follow, when used in this Agreement, shall have the meanings indicated.

"<u>Amended Partnership Agreement</u>" means the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., substantially in the form attached to the Unit Purchase Agreement as Exhibit B.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions or trust companies are authorized or obligated by law to close in Houston, Texas.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Delaware LP Act" means the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act.

"<u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>" means the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement, among the Partnership, the General Partner, Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, the Purchaser and the other investors party thereto, substantially in the form attached to the Unit Purchase Agreement as Exhibit D.

"<u>Unit Purchase Agreement</u>" means the Unit Purchase Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement, among the Partnership, Cheniere Energy, Inc. and Blackstone CQP Holdco LP.

[Signature Pages to Follow]

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to us the enclosed duplicate hereof, whereupon this letter and your acceptance shall represent a binding agreement among the Partnership and the Purchaser.

Very truly yours,

the "Partnership"

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Meg A. Gentle

Meg A. Gentle Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Unit Purchase Agreement of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.]

The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted as of the date first above written.

"Purchaser"

CHENIERE LNG TERMINALS, INC.

By: /s/ Meg A. Gentle

Meg A. Gentle Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Unit Purchase Agreement of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.]

PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT

by and among

CHENIERE PIPELINE COMPANY and

GRAND CHENIERE PIPELINE, LLC,

as Seller Parties,

and

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.,

as Buyer,

and

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

Dated as of May 14, 2012

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PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT

This PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated as of May 14, 2012, is entered into by and among (a) Cheniere Pipeline Company, a Delaware corporation ("Cheniere GP Seller"), and Grand Cheniere Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Cheniere LP Seller", and together with Cheniere GP Seller, the "Seller Parties"), on the one hand, (b) Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership" or the "Buyer"), on the other hand and (c) solely for the purposes of Sections 5.5 and 5.6 and Article VII, Cheniere Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CEI"). The above-named entities are sometimes referred to in this Agreement each as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, Cheniere GP Seller owns 100% of the member interests of Cheniere Pipeline GP Interests, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Cheniere CTP GP") and sole general partner of Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("CCTP");

WHEREAS, Cheniere LP Seller owns all of the outstanding limited partner interests in CCTP;

WHEREAS, contemporaneously with or immediately prior to the transactions contemplated herein, the Partnership will consummate the Initial Funding contemplated by the Unit Purchase Agreement;

WHEREAS, on the terms and conditions set forth herein, Cheniere GP Seller desires to sell, assign, transfer and convey to Buyer, and Buyer desires to accept and purchase, all of Cheniere GP Seller's right, title and interest in and to all of the membership interests of Cheniere CTP GP (the "**Cheniere GP Interest**"), free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances, in exchange for cash consideration in the amount of \$1,000;

WHEREAS, on the terms and conditions set forth herein, Cheniere LP Seller desires to sell, assign, transfer and convey to Buyer, and Buyer desires to accept and purchase, all of Cheniere LP Seller's right, title and interest in and to all of the limited partner interests in CCTP (the "**CCTP LP Interests**", and together with the Cheniere GP Interest, the "**Assigned Interests**"), free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than the Permitted Encumbrances, in exchange for cash consideration in the amount of \$479,999,000;

WHEREAS, immediately following the assignments of the Assigned Interests described above, the Partnership shall issue to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of CEI, or its assignee (the "**Purchaser**"), 12,000,000 Class B Units at a price of \$15.00 per Class B Unit on the terms and conditions set forth in the CEI Subscription Agreement;

WHEREAS, the parties intend to treat the assignments of the Assigned Interests and the issuance of the Class B Units described above as two separate transactions for U.S. federal income tax purposes: (a) first as a taxable sale by the Seller Parties to the Partnership of 100% of the CCTP assets for \$480,000,000, and (b) second as a separate contribution by the Purchaser of \$180,000,000 to the Partnership in exchange for 12,000,000 Class B Units pursuant to the CEI Subscription Agreement; and

WHEREAS, immediately following the assignments of the Assigned Interests and the consummation of the CEI Subscription Agreement described above, pursuant to a contribution agreement to be entered into, the Partnership will contribute its rights to the Assigned Interests to Cheniere Energy Investments, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and wholly owned subsidiary of Buyer.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I.

CONTRIBUTION OF ASSIGNED INTERESTS, CASH CONSIDERATION AND ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITIES

1.1 <u>Contributions of Assigned Interests</u>.

(a) At the Closing, (i) Cheniere GP Seller shall irrevocably sell, assign, transfer and convey to the Partnership all of Cheniere GP Seller's right, title and interest in and to the Cheniere GP Interest, free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Encumbrances under the Charter Documents of the Subject Entities and (ii) the Partnership shall accept and purchase such Cheniere GP Interest for its own account in exchange for the GP Consideration. The certificate representing the Cheniere GP Interest shall be duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by a membership interest assignment separate from certificate, as applicable, duly executed in blank by Cheniere GP Seller, in a form reasonably acceptable to the Partnership, with all necessary transfer tax or other revenue stamps, acquired at Seller Parties' expense, affixed and canceled.

(b) At the Closing, (i) Cheniere LP Seller shall irrevocably sell, assign, transfer and convey to the Partnership all of Cheniere LP Seller's right, title and interest in and to the CCTP LP Interests, free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Encumbrances under the Charter Documents of the Subject Entities and (ii) the Partnership shall accept and purchase such CCTP LP Interests for its own account in exchange for the LP Consideration. The certificate representing the CCTP LP Interests shall be duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by a membership interest assignment separate from certificate, as applicable, duly executed in blank by Cheniere LP Seller, in a form reasonably acceptable to the Partnership, with all necessary transfer tax or other revenue stamps, acquired at Seller Parties' expense, affixed and canceled. Cheniere GP Seller irrevocably waives its right of first refusal to purchase the CCTP LP Interests, pursuant to Section 8.3(a) of Cheniere LP Seller's Charter Document (including the right to notice of any such sale).

1.2 <u>Consideration</u>.

(a) <u>Consideration</u>. The aggregate consideration payable by the Buyer to Cheniere GP Seller in exchange for the assignment of the Cheniere GP Interests at Closing shall be \$1,000 (the "**GP Consideration**") and to Cheniere LP Seller in exchange for the assignment of the CCTP LP Interests at Closing shall be \$479,999,000 (the "**LP Consideration**" and, together with the GP Consideration, the "**Cash Consideration**"). The Partnership shall pay to the Cheniere GP Seller the GP Consideration and to the Cheniere LP Seller the LP Consideration at the Closing by wire

transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by each of the Cheniere GP Seller and Cheniere LP Seller, respectively, in writing prior to the Closing.

(b) <u>Payment of Cash Consideration</u>. The Parties agree that the Cash Consideration is allocable to each of Cheniere GP Seller and Cheniere LP Seller in the manner set forth in Section 1.2(a), and the Seller Parties acknowledge that payment of the Cash Consideration in the manner set forth in Section 1.2(a) constitutes payment in full of the applicable portion of the Cash Consideration to which the Seller Parties are entitled. The Seller Parties agree that payment of the Cash Consideration shall be deemed made in full when the Parties receive confirmation from the financial institution holding the accounts into which payment of the Cash Consideration is made that the payment has been successfully received in such accounts in immediately available funds. Such confirmation shall be conclusive evidence of such receipt.

ARTICLE II. CLOSING

2.1 <u>Closing</u>. The closing of the Transactions (the "**Closing**") shall be held at the offices of Andrews Kurth LLP, 600 Travis Street, 42nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77002 at 8:00 a.m. prevailing Central Time on the Business Day following the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article VI (other than those that by their terms are to be satisfied at the Closing), or such other location or date as the Parties may agree. The date on which the Closing takes place is referred to herein as the "**Closing Date**." If the Closing occurs, the Closing shall be deemed to be effective as of 12:01 a.m. prevailing Central Time on the Closing Date (the "**Effective Time**"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, title to the Assigned Interests shall pass at the Closing.

2.2 <u>Deliveries by the Seller Parties</u>. At the Closing, the Seller Parties shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Buyer the following:

(a) The Seller Parties Closing Certificate, duly executed by an authorized representative of each of the Seller Parties.

(b) A Secretary's certificate duly executed by the Secretary of Cheniere GP Seller, (i) certifying as to all outstanding Capital Stock of the Subject Entities as of the Closing Date, and all outstanding securities exercisable for or exchangeable for or convertible into Capital Stock of the Subject Entities, (ii) attaching Charter Documents of the Subject Entities certified by Cheniere GP Seller to be true, accurate and complete immediately prior to the Closing, (iii) certifying as to the resolutions of the board of managers of Cheniere GP Seller approving the Transaction Documents to which it is a party and the consummation of the Transactions to which it is a party, and (iv) certifying as to the incumbency of each person executing the Transaction Documents to which Cheniere GP Seller is a party on behalf of Cheniere GP Seller.

(c) An Officer's certificate, duly executed by an authorized representative of Cheniere LP Seller, certifying as to (i) the incumbency of each person executing the Transaction Documents to which Cheniere GP Seller is a party on behalf of Cheniere LP Seller and (ii) the resolutions of the board of managers of Cheniere LP Seller approving the Transaction Documents to which it is

a party and the consummation of the Transactions to which it is a party.

(d) An Officer's certificate, duly executed by an authorized representative of CEI, certifying as to the resolutions of the board of directors of CEI approving this Agreement and the consummation of the Transactions to which it is a party.

(e) A "good standing" certificate for each Seller Party and each Subject Entity, in each case certified by the Secretary of State of Delaware and dated as of a date no more than five (5) Business Days before the Closing Date.

(f) A counterpart of the assignment and assumption agreement in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "**GP** Assignment"), duly executed by an authorized representative of Cheniere GP Seller, pursuant to which Cheniere GP Seller assigns to Buyer, and Buyer assumes, the Cheniere GP Interest.

(g) A counterpart of the assignment and assumption agreement in the form of <u>Exhibit B</u> (the "LP Assignment"), duly executed by an authorized representative of Cheniere LP Seller, pursuant to which Cheniere LP Seller assigns to Buyer, and Buyer assumes, the CCTP LP Interests.

(h) A counterpart of the CEI Subscription Agreement, duly executed by an authorized representative of the Purchaser.

(i) Evidence satisfactory to Buyer in its reasonable discretion that the equity interests in CCCP and Frontera held by Cheniere CTP GP have been distributed to Cheniere GP Seller (collectively, the "**Subsidiary Distribution**").

(j) Evidence satisfactory to Buyer in its sole discretion that all Encumbrances existing under the Existing Credit Agreement affecting the Assigned Interests or the assets of CCTP and/or Cheniere CTP GP have been, or will be at the Closing, released.

(k) A duly executed affidavit prepared in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.1445-2(b) certifying each Seller Party's non-foreign status, and any similar affidavit or other certificate under applicable state law.

2.3 <u>Deliveries by the Buyer</u>. At the Closing, the Buyer shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Seller Parties the following:

(a) The Cash Consideration as provided in Section 1.2.

(b) The Buyer Closing Certificate, duly executed by an authorized representative of the General Partner on behalf of the Buyer.

(c) An Officer's certificate, duly executed by an authorized representative of the General Partner on behalf of the Buyer, certifying as to (i) the incumbency of each person executing the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party on behalf of the General Partner, as the general partner of the Buyer and (ii) the resolutions of the board of directors of the General Partner approving the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party and the consummation of the Transactions to which the Buyer is a party.

(d) A "good standing" certificate for the Buyer, certified by the Secretary of State of Delaware and dated as of a date no more than five Business Days before the Closing Date.

(e) A counterpart of the GP Assignment, duly executed by an authorized representative of the General Partner on behalf of the Buyer.

(f) A counterpart of the LP Assignment, duly executed by an authorized representative of the General Partner on behalf of the Buyer.

(g) A counterpart of the CEI Subscription Agreement, duly executed by an authorized representative of the General Partner on behalf of the Buyer.

2.4 <u>Receipts</u>. Subject to the terms hereof, from and after the Effective Time, all monies, proceeds, receipts, credits and income attributable to the Assigned Interests and distributable or payable with respect thereto shall be the sole property and entitlement of the Buyer or assignees of the Assigned Interests, and, to the extent received by any Seller Party or one of its affiliates, shall be promptly accounted for and transmitted to the Buyer.

2.5 <u>Ad Valorem Taxes</u>. All personal property taxes or similar ad valorem obligations levied with respect to the assets of the Subject Entities for any taxable period that includes the day before the Closing Date and ends after the Closing Date, whether imposed or assessed before or after the Closing Date, shall be prorated between the Seller Parties and the Buyer as of the Effective Time. On or before three (3) Business Days prior to the Closing Date, the Buyer and the Seller Parties shall in good faith determine the amount of any personal property taxes or similar ad valorem obligations levied with respect to the assets of the Subject Entities for any taxable period through and including the Effective Time. If any other taxes subject to proration are paid by the Buyer, the proportionate amount of such taxes paid shall be paid promptly by the Seller Parties to the Buyer after the payment of such taxes. If any taxes subject to proration are paid by the Seller Parties and the Buyer receives a refund of any portion of such taxes previously paid, such refund net of any taxes payable with respect to the receipt of any such refund.

2.6 <u>Allocation of Costs</u>.

(a) The Seller Parties shall pay the cost of any applicable sales Tax, use Tax, transfer or gains Taxes, documentary stamp Tax or any similar Taxes, attributable to or arising out of the assignment of the Assigned Interests to the Partnership pursuant to the Transaction Documents.

(b) Except as set forth in Section 2.6(a), each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses in the drafting and negotiation of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions.

ARTICLE III. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE SELLER PARTIES

(i) Each Seller Party hereby represents and warrants, severally and not jointly, as to itself, (ii) each Seller Party hereby represents and warrants, jointly and severally, as to CCTP, and (iii) Cheniere GP Seller hereby represents and warrants, as to Cheniere CTP GP, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date as follows (except that all representations and warranties contained herein are subject to the specific exceptions set forth on the disclosure schedules attached hereto):

3.1 <u>Organization</u>. Each Subject Entity (i) is duly organized or formed, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it so organized or formed, (ii) has full limited partnership or limited liability company power and authority, as applicable, to carry on its business as it is currently being conducted and (iii) is duly qualified to conduct business as a foreign limited partnership or limited liability company, as applicable, and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where the character of its properties owned or held under lease or the nature of its activities makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so qualified would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect on such Subject Entity. Each Subject Entity has all limited liability company or limited partnership power and authority, as applicable, necessary to own or lease its Real Property currently owned or leased, in each case, in all material respects.

3.2 <u>Authorization; Enforceability</u>. Each Seller Party (i) is duly organized or formed, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is so organized or formed and (ii) has full corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as applicable, to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which it is a party and to consummate the Transactions to which it is a party. The execution and delivery by each Seller Party of the Transaction Documents to which it is a party and the consummation by such Seller Party of the Transactions to which it is a party have been, or at the time they are executed and delivered, will be, duly and validly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company action, as applicable, of such Seller Party. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered, and the other Transaction Documents will be duly executed and delivered at or prior to Closing, by such Seller Party party thereto and, assuming the due authorization, execution and delivered at the Closing, will as of Closing constitute, a valid and legally binding obligation of such Seller Party, enforceable against such Seller Party in accordance with the terms hereof or thereof, except as such enforceability may be limited by (i) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance or other similar Laws affecting creditors' rights and remedies generally and (ii) equitable principles which may limit the availability of certain equitable remedies in certain instances.

3.3 <u>No Conflicts or Violations; No Consents or Approvals Required.</u>

(a) (i) None of the Seller Parties or Subject Entities is, nor will the execution, delivery and performance by each Seller Party of the Transaction Documents, and the consummation of the Transactions, as of the Closing Date, cause any of the Seller Parties or Subject Entities to be, (A) in

violation of or in conflict with, (with or without notice, lapse of time or both) any provision of its Charter Documents, (B) in violation of any Order applicable to it or (C) except as set forth on Schedule 3.3, in violation of any applicable Law or material Contract binding upon it, except in the case of clauses (B) and (C), where such violations or conflicts would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect with respect to any Subject Entity or the Assigned Interests and (ii) the execution, delivery and performance by each Seller Party of the Transaction Documents, and the consummation of the Transactions, will not as of the Closing Date, (X) give rise to the creation of any Encumbrance upon any of the assets of the Subject Entities or the Assigned Interests, or (Y) give rise to any right of termination, amendment, cancellation or acceleration of any obligations contained in, or the loss of any benefit under (with or without notice, lapse of time or both), any Contract to which the Subject Entities are a party, by which any Subject Entity's assets are bound or to which the Assigned Interests are subject, except in the case of clause (Y), where such rights would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect with respect to any Subject Entity or the Assigned Interests.

(b) Except as required under the Existing Credit Agreement or set forth on Schedule 3.3, no Consent of any Governmental Entity or any other Person is required to be obtained by any Seller Party or Subject Entity in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents or the consummation of the Transactions.

3.4 Capitalization. Cheniere LP Seller directly owns 100.0% of the limited partner interest in CCTP, Cheniere GP Seller directly owns 100.0% of the member interest in Cheniere CTP GP, and Cheniere CTP GP directly owns 100% of the general partner interest in CCTP (collectively, the "Outstanding Interests"), all of which Outstanding Interests are duly and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 18-607 and 18-804 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act or Sections 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act). Except for the Outstanding Interests, no other Capital Stock of the Subject Entities is authorized, issued, outstanding or reserved for issuance, and neither Subject Entity has issued or is obligated to issue any warrant, option, call, put or security which is convertible into, exercisable or exchangeable for any Capital Stock of such Subject Entity. No Subject Entity is a party to any notes or other Indebtedness the holders of which have the right to vote (or which are convertible into, exchangeable for or evidence the right to subscribe for or acquire securities having the right to vote) with the partners or members of such Subject Entity on any matter. There are no voting trusts, irrevocable proxies or other Contracts to which any Subject Entity or the Assigned Interests are bound with respect to voting any Capital Stock of any Subject Entity. There are no contracts restricting or preventing the payment fod is transactions exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder and applicable state securities laws. CCTP does not own any Capital Stock of any Person, and Cheniere CTP GP does not own any Capital Stock of any Person (other than its interest in CCTP) except for its interest in CCCP and Frontera, which will be distributed to Cheniere GP Seller prior to the Closing in accordance with Cheniere CTP GP's organizational documents and Del

will be vested in the Subject Entities or the Buyer.

3.5 <u>Absence of Litigation</u>. There is no Action pending or, to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, threatened against any Seller Party or any of its affiliates relating to the Transactions, the Subject Entities or the Assigned Interests or which, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to materially impair the ability of the Seller Parties to perform their obligations and agreements under the Transaction Documents and to consummate the Transactions.

3.6 Material Contracts. All Contracts set forth on Schedule 3.6 ("Material Contracts") are, unless otherwise terminated or expired in accordance with their respective terms (other than as a result of a breach or default thereunder), valid, binding and in full force and effect and are enforceable against the Subject Entities party thereto and to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, the other parties thereto, in accordance with their respective terms, except as limited by Laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, by general equitable principles or by the discretion of any Governmental Entity before which any proceeding seeking enforcement may be brought. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.6, the Material Contracts constitute all of the Contracts necessary in connection with the maintenance, operation and servicing of the Pipeline as currently constructed. The Subject Entities have performed all material obligations required to be performed by them under the Material Contracts, and no Subject Entity is (with or without notice or lapse of time, or both) in breach or default in any respect thereunder, except for such noncompliance, breaches and defaults that would not reasonably be expected to result in any material liabilities to the Subject Entities taken as a whole. No Subject Entity has received written notice (or to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, no circumstances exist and no event has occurred that (with or without notice or lapse of time, or both) would contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation or breach of, or give any Subject Entity or any other Parties, no circumstances exist and no event has occurred that (with or without notice or lapse of time, or both) would contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation or breach of, or give any Subject Entity or any other Person the right to declare a default or exercise any remedy under, or to accelerate the maturity or performance of, or to cancel, terminate or modify, any Material Contract.

3.7 <u>Title and Condition of Assets</u>.

(a) <u>Title to CCTP Capital Stock and Assigned Interests</u>. Cheniere GP Seller and Cheniere LP Seller are the sole direct or indirect legal and beneficial owners of all of the Outstanding Interests of the Subject Entities as described in Section 3.4, free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances. Except for the right of refusal that has been irrevocably waived by Cheniere GP Seller in the last sentence of Section 1.1(b), no Person has any right of first refusal, option or other right to purchase or acquire all or any portion of the Assigned Interests or the Capital Stock of the Subject Entities. On the Closing Date the Partnership will own the Outstanding Interests free and clear of any Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances (except as provided in Section 2.2(j)).

(b) <u>Title to Assets</u>. Each Subject Entity has good and indefeasible title to, or a valid leasehold or easement interest in, all of the tangible assets, properties and interests in properties, whether real, personal or mixed, used or necessary in connection with such Subject Entity's business, as currently conducted, including the operation of the Pipeline, free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances, whether in fee simple or as party to valid and binding leases, easements, rights of way and other real property rights agreements.

(c) <u>Permits</u>. All material Permits, utility installations and connections (i) necessary to conduct the business of the Subject Entities as currently conducted or (ii) required for the maintenance, operation and servicing of the Pipeline as currently constructed and the Real Property have been granted, effected, or performed and completed (as the case may be), and all fees and charges therefor due and payable prior to the date hereof have been fully paid.

3.8 <u>Proceedings</u>. There are no (i) Actions pending or, to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, threatened against or affecting any Subject Entity or any of their properties, assets or businesses, (ii) judgments, court orders or court-approved settlements issued with respect to the Subject Entities or their respective properties, assets or businesses and (iii) judgments, court orders or court-approved settlements that continue to have a binding effect on the Subject Entities or their respective properties, assets or businesses, assets or businesses, which in the case of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) (a) relate to or involve more than \$1,000,000 (in excess of available insurance coverage), (b) seek any material injunctive relief, or (c) would reasonably be expected to result in a material liability, individually or in the aggregate, to the Subject Entities, taken as a whole.

3.9 <u>Compliance with Laws; Environmental Matters</u>.

(a) <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. The Seller Parties, the Subject Entities are and at all times have been in compliance with all Laws, including those relating to occupational health and safety and the Natural Gas Act (together with any applicable regulations, orders and tariffs thereunder), and all Orders applicable to any Subject Entity or any assets owned or used by any of them, except for any instances of noncompliance that, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in material liability to the Subject Entities taken as a whole.

(b) FCPA. No Subject Entity, nor, to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, any representative of any Subject Entity, has directly or indirectly, (i) made any unlawful payment to foreign or domestic government officials or employees or to any foreign or domestic political parties or campaigns or violated any provisions of any applicable antibribery Laws, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the "FCPA") or the UK Bribery Act of 2010, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the "GCPA") or the UK Bribery Act of 2010, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the "UK Act"), or (ii) taken any action that would constitute a violation of any applicable antibribery Laws, including the FCPA or UK Act, including making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA or UK Act. The Subject Entities and Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC have conducted their businesses in compliance with the FCPA and the UK

Act; and CEI maintains policies and procedures applicable to the Subject Entities that are reasonably designed to ensure, and that are reasonably expected to continue to ensure, continued compliance therewith by the Subject Entities.

(c) Environmental Matters. The Subject Entities (i) are in compliance with, and have not violated, any Environmental Laws, and, to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, there is no condition or circumstance that would reasonably be expected to prevent or interfere with such compliance in the future, (ii) have received all environmental Permits required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses as they are currently being conducted, (iii) are in compliance with all, and have not violated any, terms and conditions of any such environmental Permits and, to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, there is no condition or circumstance that would reasonably be expected to prevent or interfere with such compliance in the future, (iv) do not have any liability, and are not conducting or funding any investigation, remediation, remedial action or cleanup, in connection with the disposal of Hazardous Material or with the release or threatened release into the environment of any Hazardous Material, and Hazardous Materials are not present at or about any Real Property currently or formerly owned, leased or operated by any of the Subject Entities during the time of their ownership, lease or operation in condition that would reasonably be expected to result in liability to any Subject Entity relating to any Environmental Law, and (v) have not assumed, retained or provided indemnity against any liability of any other Person relating to any Environmental Law, except in the cases of the foregoing clauses (i) through (v) where such failure to comply with Environmental Permits, such failure to comply with disposal, releases, or presence of such Hazardous Materials, or such assumption, retention or indemnity would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

3.10 Employees. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.10, none of the Subject Entities (a) employs (or, in the past five years, has employed) any employees or otherwise engages any independent contractors or other service providers or (b) currently sponsors, maintains or contributes to (or has any obligation to sponsor, maintain or contribute to), or has or could reasonably expect to have any present or future liability, whether absolute or contingent, with respect to, any Plan.

3.11 Taxes. Each Subject Entity has timely filed with the appropriate taxing authorities all material Tax Returns required to be filed. All such Tax Returns are complete and correct in all material respects. All Taxes owed by each Subject Entity (whether or not shown on any Tax Return) have been timely paid, other than those that are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been established in accordance with GAAP. No deficiencies for Taxes of any Subject Entity have been claimed, proposed or assessed by any taxing authority. There are no ongoing material audits or examinations of any of the Tax Returns relating to or attributable to any Subject Entity. As of the date of this Agreement, CCTP is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. On the Closing Date, CCTP will be a disregarded entity of Cheniere GP Seller for U.S. federal income tax purposes. All monies required to be withheld by CCTP (including from employees of the business of CCTP for income Taxes and social security and other payroll Taxes) have been collected or withheld, and either paid to the respective taxing authorities, set aside in accounts for such purpose, or accrued, reserved against and entered upon the books of CCTP. There are no Tax liens upon any property of CCTP except for liens for current

Taxes not yet due and payable. None of the CCTP assets is properly treated as owned by persons other than CCTP for income Tax purposes, and none of the CCTP assets is "tax-exempt use property" within the meaning of Section 168(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

3.12 <u>Hedging Transactions</u>. All outstanding hedging transactions entered into by any Subject Entity are in material compliance with the Subject Entities' hedging policies and have been entered into in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice.

3.13 <u>Prepayments and Imbalances</u>. No Subject Entity is obligated, by virtue of a production payment or prepayment arrangement under any Contract for the sale of hydrocarbons, gas balancing agreement or any other arrangement, to deliver hydrocarbons transported by it at any time after the Effective Time without then or thereafter receiving full payment therefor. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.13, there are no imbalances with respect to the assets, properties and interests in properties of any Subject Entity.

3.14 <u>Undisclosed Liabilities</u>.

(a) Schedule 3.14 sets forth correct and complete copies of the consolidated balance sheets and statements of income and cash flows of the Subject Entities as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 and the consolidated balance sheet and statement of income and cash flows of the Subject Entities as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2012 (collectively, the "**Financial Statements**"). The Financial Statements (i) have been prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods indicated and (ii) fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Subject Entities at the dates therein.

(b) The Subject Entities have no Indebtedness or other liabilities of any kind, character or nature whatsoever, contingent or otherwise (including any obligation to pay any dividends or distributions), except for (i) liabilities reflected in the balance sheet of CCTP as of December 31, 2011 attached hereto as Schedule 3.14 (the "**Balance Sheet**"), (ii) liabilities incurred by CCTP that are not material to CCTP, (iii) liabilities incurred by CCTP in the ordinary course of business and (iv) \$1,000,000 of other liabilities incurred by CCTP. Since the date of the Balance Sheet, there has not been (x) any material loss or interference with either Subject Entity's business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance or from any labor dispute or action, investigation or decree by a Governmental Entity sustained by any of the Subject Entities or (y) any material change in either Subject Entity's accounting principles, practices or methods.

3.15 <u>Brokers and Finders</u>. No investment banker, broker, finder, financial advisor or other intermediary has been retained by or is authorized to act on behalf of any of the Seller Parties or the Subject Entities who is entitled to receive from the Buyer any fee or commission in connection with the Transactions.

3.16 Insurance. The Seller Parties have provided to the Buyer a complete and correct list of all insurance policies applicable to the Subject Entities as of the date hereof, including insurance of directors and officers of the Subject Entities (collectively, the "Insurance Policies"). Each Subject Entity is insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility (with an A.M. Best

rating of at least A-VII) against such losses and risks and in such amounts as are prudent and customary in connection with its respective business, and all such insurance is in full force and effect. There is no existing default (or any condition that would cause a default with due notice or lapse of time or both) under the Insurance Policies, and the execution and delivery and performance of this Agreement does not and will not require a consent under, constitute a violation of, breach under or default (or an event that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such default) under any Insurance Policy. Since January 1, 2009, there has not been any notice of cancellation or nonrenewal with respect to, or disallowance of any claim or reservation of rights under, any Insurance Policies applicable to the Subject Entities. No Person has received written notice (or to the Knowledge of the Seller Parties, any other notice) from any insurer or agent of such insurer that substantial capital improvements or other substantial expenditures will have to be made in order to continue the Insurance Policies. All premiums due under the Insurance Policies that have been invoiced to the Subject Entities have been paid by the applicable due date.

3.17 Intellectual Property. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.17, each of the Subject Entities owns or possesses (and following the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Unit Purchase Agreement will continue to own or possess) the right to use all patents, inventions, copyrights, know-how (including trade secrets and other unpatented or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures), trademarks, service marks, trade names or other intellectual property (collectively, "Intellectual Property") necessary in connection with its business, including the operation of the Pipeline. None of the Subject Entities has received any written notice or is otherwise aware of any infringement of or conflict with rights of others with respect to any Intellectual Property or of any facts or circumstances that would render any Intellectual Property invalid or inadequate to protect the interests of the Subject Entities. To the Knowledge of the Subject Entities, no Person is infringing, misappropriating, diluting or otherwise violating any rights in any Intellectual Property of the Subject Entities.

3.18 <u>Regulatory Status; Pipeline</u>.

(a) CCTP is engaged in the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce and is a natural gas company under the Natural Gas Act of 1938, 15 U.S.C. §717 et. seq. (the "**Natural Gas Act**").

(b) The Pipeline has at all times been maintained in accordance with good industry practices and is in good and workmanlike condition (subject to normal wear and tear), and, other than the segments of the Pipeline that are currently under construction, is suitable for the use by CCTP in accordance with its FERC tariffs and good industry practices, in each case, without materially violating any Law or contractual, legal, title, property or other right of any Person.

3.19 Subject Entity Arrangements. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.19 and except through its ownership of equity in the Subject Entities, neither CEI nor any of its Affiliates (other than the Subject Entities or the Buyer and its subsidiaries), officers or directors (i) own or have any rights or interest in any of the Real Property, assets and rights used (or to be used in the future) to conduct the business of the Subject Entities, (ii) have any Contracts with any of the Subject Entities or (iii) provide any services to any of the Subject Entities.

ARTICLE IV. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE BUYER

The Buyer hereby represents and warrants to the Seller Parties on the date hereof and the Closing Date as follows:

4.1 <u>Organization</u>. The Buyer (i) is duly organized or formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the State of Delaware, (ii) has full limited partnership power and authority to carry on its business as it is currently being conducted and (iii) is duly qualified to conduct business as a foreign limited partnership and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where the character of its properties owned or held under lease or the nature of its activities makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so qualified would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect on the Buyer.

4.2 <u>Authorization</u>. The Buyer (i) is duly formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the State of Delaware and (ii) has full limited partnership power and authority to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which it is a party and to consummate the Transactions to which it is a party. The execution and delivery by the Buyer of the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party and the consummation by the Buyer of the Transactions to which the Buyer of the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer and delivered, will be, duly and validly authorized by all necessary limited partnership action of the Buyer. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered, and the other Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party will be duly executed and delivered at or prior to Closing, by the Buyer and, assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery by the other Parties hereto, constitutes, or in the case of the agreements delivered at the Closing, will as of Closing constitute, a valid and legally binding obligation of the Buyer, enforceable against the Buyer in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof, except as such enforceability may be limited by (i) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance or other similar Laws affecting creditors' rights and remedies generally and (ii) equitable principles which may limit the availability of certain equitable remedies in certain instances.

4.3 <u>No Conflicts or Violations; No Consents or Approvals Required</u>. The execution, delivery and performance by the Buyer of the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party, and the consummation of the Transactions to which the Buyer is a party, will not as of the Closing Date (a) violate, conflict with, or result in any breach of, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, any provision of the Buyer's Charter Documents, (b) give rise to the creation of any Encumbrance upon any of the assets of the Buyer, any right of termination, amendment, cancellation or acceleration of any obligations contained in, or the loss of any benefit under, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, any Contract to which the Buyer is a party or by which its assets are bound, (c) violate any Order applicable to the Buyer, (d) subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties in Article III (disregarding the references to materiality and Material Adverse Effect therein), violate in any material respect any applicable Law or (e) violate in any material Contract binding upon the Buyer, except in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (b) through (e) where such violations or breaches would not be reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect with respect to the Buyer. No Consent of any

Governmental Entity or any other Person is required to be obtained by the Buyer in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party or the consummation of the Transactions to which the Buyer is a party.

4.4 <u>Absence of Litigation</u>. There is no Action pending or, to the Knowledge of the Buyer, threatened against the Buyer or any of its affiliates relating to the Transactions or which, if adversely determined, would reasonably be expected to materially impair the ability of the Buyer to perform its obligations and agreements under the Transaction Documents to which the Buyer is a party and to consummate the Transactions to which the Buyer is a party.

4.5 <u>Brokers and Finders</u>. No investment banker, broker, finder, financial advisor or other intermediary has been retained by or is authorized to act on behalf of the Buyer who is entitled to receive from the Buyer any fee or commission in connection with the Transactions, other than the payment of a financial advisor fee to Evercore Partners Inc. in the amount set forth on Schedule 4.5, which has been retained to advise the conflicts committee of the board of directors of the General Partner pursuant to an engagement letter provided to the Seller Parties.

4.6 Waivers and Disclaimers. The Buyer is knowledgeable of the business of owning and operating natural gas and natural gas liquids facilities. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS AGREEMENT, EXCEPT FOR THE EXPRESS REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES AND OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS MADE BY THE SELLER PARTIES IN THE TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS, THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT NO SELLER PARTY HAS MADE OR MAKES, AND EACH SUCH SELLER PARTY SPECIFICALLY NEGATES AND DISCLAIMS, ANY REPRESENTATION, WARRANTY, PROMISE, COVENANT, AGREEMENT OR GUARANTY OF ANY KIND OR CHARACTER WHATSOEVER, WHETHER EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, ORAL OR WRITTEN, PAST OR PRESENT, REGARDING (I) THE VALUE, NATURE, QUALITY OR CONDITION OF THE SUBJECT ENTITIES' ASSETS, PROPERTIES OR INTERESTS, INCLUDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION OF SUCH SUBJECT ENTITIES' ASSETS, PROPERTIES AND INTERESTS GENERALLY, INCLUDING THE PRESENCE OR LACK OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON OR THEREUNDER, (II) THE INCOME TO BE DERIVED THEREFROM, (III) THE SUITABILITY THEREOF FOR ANY AND ALL ACTIVITIES AND USES THAT MAY BE CONDUCTED THEREFON, (IV) THE COMPLIANCE THEREOF OR THEREBY, OR THEIR OPERATION WITH, ANY LAWS (INCLUDING ANY ZONING, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, POLLUTION OR LAND USE LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, OR REQUIREMENTS), OR (V) THE HABITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, MARKETABILITY, PROFITABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE THEREOF. EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS, NO SELLER PARTY IS LIABLE TO THE BUYER HEREIN OR BOUND IN ANY MANNER BY ANY VERBAL OR WRITTEN STATEMENTS, REPRESENTATIONS OR INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE SUBJECT ENTITIES' ASSETS, PROPERTIES OR INTERESTS FURNISHED BY ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE OR THIRD PARTY. EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS, THE BUYER HEREIN OR BOUND IN ANY MANNER BY ANY VERBAL OR WRITTEN STATEMENTS, REPRESENTATIONS OR INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE SUBJECT ENTITIES' ASSETS, PROPERTIES OR INTERESTS FURNISHED BY ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE OR THIRD PARTY. EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE

ARTICLE V. COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS

5.1 Conduct of the Operations. Except as specifically provided in this Agreement or as set forth on Schedule 5.1, from the date hereof until the Closing, each Seller Party shall, and shall cause each Subject Entity to, (i) conduct its operations in accordance with its respective material assets (including Material Contracts and real property leases), rights and properties in good operating condition suitable in all material respects for their intended purpose, (iii) not terminate or materially amend any Material Contracts or waive any provision thereunder or enter into material agreements affecting the Subject Entities' assets, properties or interests except with the Buyer's consent and except that CCTP shall be permitted to enter into a pipeline transport agreement with Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Partnership, (iv) cause the Subject Entities in the amounts and types presently in effect or insurance policies substantially similar thereto furnished by nonaffiliated third parties in the amounts and types presently in effect or insurance policies augults, and can capted, and capted by one or rights of the Subject Entities (vii) not amend or restate the Charter Documents of the Subject Entities, (vii) not issue any Capital Stock or options, warrants or other rights convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock thereof, (viii) not sell, assign, transfer, Encumber or otherwise dispose of all or any portion of the Assigned Interests or any Capital Stock of the Subject Entities or grant any option to purchase or right of first refusal in connection therewith to any Person, (ix) maintain all Personi, warrants ero other rest or assets of any Person, (ixi) not incur or usuarate any Indebtedness or amend or modify in any material respect the terms of or refinance any Indebtedness, (xiii) not engage or employ any employees, indeptedness, civic or other reorganization, (xiv) not waive, release or settle any pending or threatened liti

5.2 <u>Access</u>. From the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date, each Seller Party shall (and shall cause CCTP and Cheniere CTP GP to), upon reasonable advance notice by the Partnership, (i) provide the Buyer and its representatives reasonable access, during normal business hours, to the Subject Entities' assets, properties and interests and (ii) as promptly as possible furnish

to the Partnership such documents, records and information concerning the Assigned Interests, the Subject Entities' Capital Stock and the assets, properties and interests of the Subject Entities as the Partnership from time to time may reasonably request.

5.3 <u>Additional Agreements</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each of the Parties shall (i) use its commercially reasonable efforts to do or cause to be done all actions necessary or advisable under applicable Laws to consummate and make effective the Transactions, including the fulfillment of the conditions set forth in Article VI, to the extent that the fulfillment of such conditions is within the control of such Party and (ii) obtain as promptly as practicable all Consents of all Governmental Entities that the Parties reasonably determine may be or may become necessary or proper under the Transaction Documents or applicable Law to be obtained to consummate the Transactions.

5.4 <u>Further Assurances</u>. From time to time after the date hereof, and without any further consideration, the Parties agree to execute, acknowledge and deliver such additional agreements, instruments, notices, certificates and other documents, and take such actions, as may be necessary or appropriate to more fully and effectively vest in the applicable Parties and their respective successors and assigns legal, beneficial and record title to the property, rights and interests contributed, assigned or otherwise granted herein and more fully and effectively carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement. It is the express intent of the Parties that the Partnership own all right, title and interest in and to the Assigned Interests as of the Closing Date.

5.5 <u>Purchase of Class B Units by Cheniere LP Seller</u>. Contemporaneously with or immediately after the Closing, the Partnership shall, and CEI shall cause the Purchaser to, consummate the transactions contemplated by the CEI Subscription Agreement.

5.6 Labor Costs. From the date of this Agreement to the Closing Date, CEI and its Affiliates shall not (a) amend the O&M Agreement (except as contemplated by the Unit Purchase Agreement), (b) cause the costs of the O&M Agreement to CCTP to increase above 110% of the Services Budget (in the aggregate for the period from January 1, 2012 through the applicable month) or (b) charge any other fees or expenses to any Subject Entity outside the O&M Agreement.

5.7 <u>Tax Status of CCTP</u>. The Seller Parties shall take all necessary actions required for CCTP to be a disregarded entity of Cheniere GP Seller on the Closing Date for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

5.8 <u>IP Licenses</u>. The Seller Parties shall, at the Seller Parties' sole cost and expense, use commercially reasonable efforts to (a) cause all of the IP Licenses to be assigned to CCTP prior to the Closing, and (b) to the extent any such IP Licenses do not currently permit the licensee's contactors to use the Intellectual Property licensed thereunder on behalf of the licensee, to amend such IP Licenses such that CCTP shall have the right to allow its contractors to use the Intellectual Property licensed thereunder on behalf of CCTP in connection with the provision of services by such contractors to CCTP, at no further cost to CCTP.

ARTICLE VI. CONDITIONS TO CLOSING

6.1 <u>Conditions to Each Party's Obligation to Close</u>. The obligations of the Buyer to consummate the Transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents shall be subject to the satisfaction, at or prior to the Closing, of each of the conditions listed in this Section 6.1 and each of the conditions listed in Section 6.2 (collectively, the "Buyer Conditions Precedent"), and the obligations of the Seller Parties to consummate the Transactions shall be subject to the satisfaction, at or prior to the Closing, of each of the conditions listed in this Section 6.1 and each of the conditions listed in Section 6.2 (collectively, the "Buyer Conditions Precedent"), and the obligations of the Seller Parties to consummate the Transactions shall be subject to the satisfaction, at or prior to the Closing, of each of the conditions listed in this Section 6.1 and each of the conditions listed in Section 6.3 (collectively, the "Seller Conditions Precedent"). The General Partner of the Buyer, on behalf of the Buyer, and CEI, on behalf of the Seller Parties, shall have the right to waive in writing any or all of such Parties' conditions precedent to Closing; *provided, however*, that no waiver by the Buyer or the Seller Parties of any particular condition precedent to Closing shall constitute a waiver by such Parties of any other condition precedent to Closing. Subject to the foregoing, the following are conditions precedent to all Parties' obligations to effect the Closing:

(a) <u>No Restraint</u>. No temporary restraining Order, preliminary or permanent injunction or other Order issued by any Governmental Entity or other legal restraint or prohibition preventing the consummation of the Transactions shall be in effect.

(b) <u>Legality of Transactions</u>. No Action shall have been taken, and no Law shall have been enacted by any Governmental Entity, that makes the consummation of the Transactions illegal.

6.2 <u>Conditions to the Buyer's Obligation to Close</u>. The obligation of the Buyer to consummate the Transactions shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by the General Partner of the Buyer), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following Buyer Conditions Precedent:

(a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of the Seller Parties set forth in this Agreement shall be true and correct (without giving effect to any materiality standard or Material Adverse Effect qualification) as of the date of this Agreement and as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent representations and warranties speak as of a specified date, which representations and warranties shall speak only as of such date), except to the extent that the failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct would not, in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect with respect to the Assigned Interests or the Subject Entities taken as a whole; *provided, however*, that the Fundamental Representations shall be true and correct in all respects, and the Buyer shall have received a certificate to such effect signed on behalf of the Seller Parties by duly authorized representatives of the Seller Parties.

(b) <u>Performance of Obligations</u>. The Seller Parties shall have performed in all material respects (provided that any covenant or agreement of the Seller Parties contained herein that is qualified by a materiality standard shall not be further qualified hereby) all obligations required to be performed by the Seller Parties under this Agreement prior to the Closing Date, and the Buyer shall have received a certificate to such effect executed by a duly authorized representatives of the Seller Parties (such certificate, together with the certificate described in clause (a) above, the "Seller



Parties Closing Certificate").

(c) <u>No Material Adverse Effect</u>. Since January 1, 2012, no event or occurrence shall have taken place which has had, or is reasonably likely to have, a Material Adverse Effect on the Assigned Interests or the Subject Entities taken as a whole.

(d) <u>CEI Subscription Agreement</u>. All of the closing conditions contained in the CEI Subscription Agreement have been satisfied (or waived in accordance with the terms thereof) or will be satisfied concurrently with the Closing.

(e) <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. The Buyer shall have received all of the closing deliverables set forth in Section 2.2.

(f) <u>Funding</u>. The Initial Funding under the Unit Purchase Agreement shall have occurred.

(g) <u>Amendments to Organizational Documents</u>. The organizational documents of Cheniere CTP GP and CCTP shall have been amended contemporaneously with the Closing to modify the form of certificates evidencing the equity ownership interests therein.

6.3 <u>Conditions to the Seller Parties' Obligation to Close</u>. The obligation of the Seller Parties to consummate the Transactions shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by CEI on behalf of the Seller Parties), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following Seller Conditions Precedent:

(a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of the Buyer set forth in this Agreement shall be true and correct (without giving effect to any materiality standard or Material Adverse Effect qualification) as of the date of this Agreement and as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent representations and warranties speak as of a specified date, which representations and warranties shall speak only as of such date), except to the extent that the failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct would not, in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect with respect to the Buyer, *provided, however*, that the Fundamental Representations shall be true and correct in all respects, and the Seller Parties shall have received a certificate to such effect signed on behalf of the Buyer by a duly authorized representative of the General Partner of the Buyer.

(b) <u>Performance of Obligations</u>. The Buyer shall have performed in all material respects (provided that any covenant or agreement of the Buyer contained herein that is qualified by a materiality standard shall not be further qualified hereby) all obligations required to be performed by the Buyer under this Agreement prior to the Closing Date, and the Seller Parties shall have received a certificate to such effect executed by a duly authorized representative of the General Partner of the Buyer on behalf of the Buyer (such certificate, together with the certificate described in clause (a) above, the "**Buyer Closing Certificate**").

(c) <u>CEI Subscription Agreement</u>. All of the closing conditions contained in the CEI Subscription Agreement have been satisfied (or waived in accordance with the terms thereof) or will be satisfied concurrently with the Closing.

(d) <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. The Seller Parties shall have received all of the closing deliverables set forth in Section 2.3.

ARTICLE VII. INDEMNIFICATION

7.1 Indemnification by the Seller Parties and CEI.

(a) From and after the Closing, each Seller Party and CEI shall be liable for, and shall indemnify the Buyer and its affiliates (including the Subject Entities) (the "**Buyer Indemnitees**") against and hold it harmless from, any loss, liability, claim, damage, Taxes, cost or expense, including reasonable legal fees and expenses (collectively, "**Losses**"), suffered or incurred by such Buyer Indemnitee to the extent arising out of, involving or otherwise in respect of:

(i) the failure of any representation or warranty of such Seller Party contained in a Transaction Document or certificate delivered pursuant hereto to be true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date;

(ii) any breach of any covenant of such Seller Party contained herein, except for Section 5.8; and

(iii) (A) the failure of CCTP to validly hold any IP Licenses as of the Closing Date, (B) any determination after the Closing Date that an assignment to CCTP of such IP Licenses on or prior to the Closing Date is held to be invalid or (C) the failure of any IP Licenses, as assigned, to permit the contractors of CCTP to use the Intellectual Property licensed thereunder to provide services to CCTP.

(b) The Seller Parties and CEI (i) shall not be required to indemnify any Buyer Indemnitee pursuant to Section 7.1(a)(i), and shall not have any liability unless the aggregate of all Losses for which the Seller Parties and CEI would be liable pursuant to Section 7.1(a)(i) exceeds on a cumulative basis an amount equal to \$5,000,000, and then only to the extent of any such excess, and (ii) shall not be required to indemnify any Buyer Indemnitee pursuant to Section 7.1(a)(i) and shall not have any liability in excess of the \$160,000,000 in the aggregate for all Losses for which the Seller Parties and CEI would be liable hereunder pursuant to Section 7.1(a)(i); *provided, however*, that the limitations set forth in this Section 7.1(b) shall not apply to any claim for indemnification arising out of a breach or alleged breach of any Fundamental Representation, any intentional or willful breach by any Seller Party or any claims of, or causes of action arising out of, fraud.

(c) The obligations of the Seller Parties under Section 7.1(a) shall be (i) as set forth in the first paragraph of Article III with respect to breaches of Article III and (ii) otherwise joint and several. The obligations of CEI under Section 7.1(a) shall be joint and several with the applicable Seller Party.

(d) The aggregate liability for CEI and the Seller Parties for indemnification pursuant to Sections 7.1(a) and 7.5 shall not exceed \$480,000,000.

(e) For purposes of determining the amount of any Loss with respect to any breach or inaccuracy of a representation or warranty pursuant to Section 7.1(a)(i), no effect shall be given to the terms "material", "Material Adverse Effect" or other qualifications of similar import contained therein.

7.2 **Indemnification by the Buyer**.

(a) From and after the Closing, the Buyer shall be liable for, and shall indemnify each Seller Party and its affiliates (excluding the Subject Entities) (the "**Seller Indemnitees**") against and hold it harmless from, any Losses suffered or incurred by such Seller Indemnitee to the extent arising out of, involving or otherwise in respect of:

(i) the failure of any representation or warranty of the Buyer contained in a Transaction Document or certificate delivered pursuant hereto to be true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date; and

(ii) any breach of any covenant of the Buyer contained herein or in any agreement contemplated hereby.

(b) The Buyer (i) shall not be required to indemnify any Seller Indemnitee pursuant to Section 7.2(a)(i), and shall not have any liability unless the aggregate of all Losses for which the Buyer would be liable pursuant to Section 7.2(a)(i) exceeds on a cumulative basis an amount equal to \$5,000,000, and then only to the extent of any such excess, and (ii) shall not be required to indemnify any Seller Indemnitee pursuant to Section 7.2(a)(i), and shall not have any liability in excess of \$160,000,000 in the aggregate for all Losses for which the Buyer would be liable hereunder pursuant to Section 7.2(a)(i); *provided, however*, that the limitations set forth in this Section 7.2(b) shall not apply to any claim for indemnification arising out of any breach by the Buyer of any Fundamental Representation, any intentional or willful breach by the Buyer or any claims of, or causes of action arising out of, fraud.

(c) The aggregate liability for the Buyer for indemnification pursuant to Sections 7.2(a) and 7.5 shall not exceed \$480,000,000.

(d) For purposes of determining the amount of any Loss with respect to any breach or inaccuracy of a representation or warranty pursuant to Section 7.2(a)(i), no effect shall be given to the terms "material", "Material Adverse Effect" or other qualifications of similar import contained therein.

7.3 Survival of Representations, Warranties, Covenants and Agreements; Termination of Indemnification. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained herein and in any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the Closing as follows: (i) the Fundamental Representations shall terminate sixty (60) days following the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations; (ii) the representations and warranties contained in Section 3.10 shall survive for three (3) years following the Closing; (iii) all other representations and warranties (other than the Fundamental Representations and the representations contained in Section 3.10) shall survive for one year following the Closing; (iv) the covenants to be performed at or before the Closing shall survive for one year following the Closing the Closing to this Article VII; and (v) all other covenants shall survive until they have been

performed in accordance with their terms. The obligations to indemnify and hold harmless any party under this Article VII shall terminate when the applicable representation, warranty or covenant terminates in accordance with this Section 7.3; *provided, however*, that the obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the Buyer Indemnitees under Section 7.1(a)(iii) shall terminate one year after the Closing Date; *provided, further*, that such obligations to indemnify and hold harmless shall not terminate with respect to any item as to which the Indemnified Party shall have, before the expiration of the applicable period, made a claim by delivering a written notice of such claim in accordance with Section 7.4 to the Indemnifying Party.

7.4 <u>Procedures</u>.

(a) <u>Third Party Claims</u>. In order for a Person (the "**Indemnified Party**") to be entitled to any indemnification provided for under this Article VII in respect of, arising out of or involving a claim made by any Person not a party hereto against the Indemnified Party (a "**Third Party Claim**"), such Indemnified Party must notify the indemnifying party (the "**Indemnifying Party**") in writing of such Third Party Claim (setting forth in reasonable detail the facts giving rise to such Third Party Claim (to the extent known by the Indemnified Party) and the amount or estimated amount (to the extent reasonably estimable) of Losses arising out of, involving or otherwise in respect of such Third Party Claim) promptly following receipt by such Indemnified Party of written notice of such Third Party Claim; *provided, however*, that, subject to Section 7.3, failure to give such notification promptly shall not affect the indemnification provided hereunder except to the extent that the Indemnifying Party, shall have been actually prejudiced as a result of such failure. Thereafter, the Indemnified Party shall deliver to the Indemnifying Party, receipt by the Indemnified Party's receipt thereof, copies of all notices and documents (including court papers) received by the Indemnified Party relating to the Third Party Claim.

(b) <u>Assumption</u>. If a Third Party Claim is made against an Indemnified Party, the Indemnifying Party shall (unless the Indemnifying Party is also a party to such Third Party Claim and the Indemnified Party determines in good faith that joint representation would be inappropriate) be entitled to participate in the defense thereof and, if it so chooses, to assume the defense thereof with counsel selected by the Indemnifying Party (provided that such counsel is not reasonably objected to by the Indemnified Party), at its own expense by giving written notice to the Indemnified Party within fifteen Business Days of receiving notice of the Third Party Claim. If the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of a Third Party Claim in accordance with this Section 7.4(b), the Indemnifying Party shall not be liable to the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of a Third Party Claim in accordance with this Section 7.4(b), the Indemnified Party shall not be liable to the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of a Third Party Claim in accordance with this Section 7.4(b), the Indemnified Party shall have the right to participate in the defense thereof and to employ counsel (provided such counsel is not reasonably objected to by the Indemnified Party shall have the right to participate in the defense thereof and to employ by the Indemnifying Party, it being understood that the Indemnifying Party shall control such defense. The Indemnifying Party shall be liable for the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel employed by the Indemnified Party for any period during which the Indemnifying Party has not assumed the defense thereof (other than during any period in which the Indemnified Party Shall have failed to give notice of the Third Party Claim as provided above). If the Indemnifying Party chooses to defend or prosecute a Third Party Claim, all of the Indemnified

Parties shall cooperate in the defense or prosecution thereof. Such cooperation shall include the retention and (upon the Indemnifying Party's request) the provision to the Indemnifying Party of records and information that are reasonably relevant to such Third Party Claim, and making employees available at such times and places as may be reasonably necessary to defend against such Third Party Claim for the purpose of providing additional information, explanation or testimony in connection with such Third Party Claim. If the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of a Third Party Claim, the Indemnifying Party shall defend such Third Party Claim vigorously and diligently to final conclusion or settlement of such Third Party Claim; *provided* that the Indemnifying Party shall not settle such Third Party Claim without the consent of the Indemnified Party.

(c) <u>Other Claims</u>. In the event any Indemnified Party has a claim against any Indemnifying Party under this Article VII that does not involve a Third Party Claim, the Indemnified Party shall deliver written notice of such claim to the Indemnifying Party (setting forth in reasonable detail the facts giving rise to such claim (to the extent known by the Indemnified Party) and the amount or estimated amount (to the extent reasonably estimable) of Losses arising out of, involving or otherwise in respect of such claim) promptly after becoming aware of such claim; *provided, however*, that, subject to Section 7.3, failure to give such notification promptly shall not affect the indemnification provided hereunder except to the extent the Indemnifying Party shall have been actually prejudiced as a result of such failure (except that the Indemnifying Party does not notify the Indemnified Party within thirty (30) days following its receipt of such notice that the Indemnifying Party does not notify the Indemnified Party within thirty (30) days following its receipt of such notice that the Indemnifying Party does not notify the Indemnifying Party and the Indemnifying Party shall pay the amount of such liability to the Indemnifying Party and the Indemnifying Party shall pay the amount of such liability to the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party shall pay the amount of such liability to the Indemnified Party on demand or, in the case of any notice in which the amount of the claim (or any portion thereof) is estimated, on such later date when the amount of such claim (or such portion thereof) becomes finally determined.

7.5 <u>Taxes</u>.

(a) <u>Liability for Taxes</u>. The Seller Parties shall be liable for and pay, and pursuant to this Article VII shall indemnify the Buyer Indemnitees against, all Taxes (including any amounts owed by a Buyer Indemnitee relating to Taxes pursuant to a contract or otherwise) applicable to the business and the assets of CCTP, in each case attributable to taxable years or periods ending on or prior to the Closing Date and, with respect to any Straddle Period, the portion of such Straddle Period ending on and including the Closing Date. Buyer shall be liable for and pay, and pursuant to this Article VII (but without duplication of any amount specified in Section 2.5 or any indemnity under Section 7.1) shall indemnify each Seller Indemnitee from and against, all Taxes applicable to the business and the assets of CCTP that are attributable to taxable years or periods beginning after the Closing Date and, with respect to any Straddle Period seginning after the Closing Date; provided, however, that Buyer shall not be liable for or pay, and shall not indemnify any Seller Indemnitee from and against, any Taxes for which the Seller Parties are liable under this Agreement, including pursuant to the preceding sentence. For purposes of this Section 7.5(a), any Straddle Period shall be treated on a "closing of the books" basis as two partial periods, one ending at the close of the Closing Date and the other beginning on the day after the

Closing Date, except that Taxes (such as property Taxes) imposed on a periodic basis shall be allocated on a daily basis.

(b) Assistance and Cooperation. After the Closing Date, each of the Seller Parties and Buyer shall (and cause their respective Affiliates to): (i) assist the other party in preparing any Tax Returns which such other party is responsible for preparing and filing; (ii) cooperate fully in preparing for any audits of, or disputes with taxing authorities regarding, any Tax Returns of or relating to the business or the assets of CCTP; (iii) make available to the other and to any taxing authority as reasonably requested all information, records, and documents relating to Taxes of or relating to the business or the assets of CCTP; (iv) provide timely notice to the other in writing of any pending or threatened Tax audits or assessments relating to Taxes of or relating to the business or the assets of CCTP for taxable periods for which the other may have a liability under Section 7.5(a); and (v) furnish the other with copies of all correspondence received from any taxing authority in connection with any Tax audit or information request with respect to any such taxable period.

(c) <u>Survival</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the obligations of the parties set forth in this Section 7.5 shall be unconditional and absolute and shall terminate sixty (60) days following the applicable statute of limitations.

7.6 <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PARTY HERETO BE LIABLE HEREUNDER FOR EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE, SPECIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, REGARDLESS OF SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, OR DEFECT IN PREMISES, EQUIPMENT OR MATERIAL, AND REGARDLESS OF WHETHER PRE-EXISTING THIS AGREEMENT OR THE OTHER TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PAYABLE TO A PERSON THAT IS NOT A PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT (OR AN AFFILIATE THEREOF) IN CONNECTION WITH A THIRD PARTY CLAIM.

7.7 **Exclusive Remedy.** No party shall have liability under this Agreement following the Closing Date except (a) as is provided in this Article VII, (b) for claims or causes of action arising from fraud or (c) for specific performance as provided in Section 10.3.

ARTICLE VIII. TERMINATION

8.1 <u>Termination</u>.

(a) Right to Terminate. This Agreement may be terminated and the Transactions abandoned at any time prior to the Closing:

(i) by mutual written consent of the Seller Parties and the Partnership;

(ii) by written notice by either the Seller Parties or the Partnership if the Closing has not occurred by the date that the Unit Purchase Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms (the "**Outside Date**"); *provided, however*, that the foregoing right to terminate this Agreement shall not be available to any Party whose breach of this Agreement has been the cause of, or resulted in, the failure of the Closing to occur on or

before such date;

(iii) by either the Seller Parties or the Partnership if a Governmental Entity shall have issued an Order or taken any other action, in each case permanently restraining, enjoining, or otherwise prohibiting the Transactions; or

(iv) by either the Seller Parties or the Buyer in the event of a material breach by the Buyer or any Seller Party, respectively, of any representation, warranty, covenant or other agreement contained in this Agreement which (A) would give rise to the failure of a Seller Condition Precedent or a Buyer Condition Precedent, respectively, and (B) cannot be or has not been cured within the earlier of (x) 30 days following receipt by the breaching Party of written notice of such breach and (y) the Business Day immediately preceding the Outside Date.

(b) Effect of Investigation. The right of any Party to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.1 shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of the actual or constructive knowledge of such Party regarding the subject matter giving rise to such right of termination.

8.2 <u>Effect of Termination</u>. Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.1, the undertakings of the Parties set forth in this Agreement shall forthwith be of no further force and effect; *provided*, *however*, that no such termination shall relieve any Party of any liability for willful material breach of any term or provision hereof.

ARTICLE IX. INTERPRETATION; DEFINED TERMS

9.1 <u>Interpretation</u>. It is expressly agreed that this Agreement shall not be construed against any Party, and no consideration shall be given or presumption made, on the basis of the Party that drafted this Agreement or any particular provision hereof or who supplied the form of this Agreement. Each Party agrees that this Agreement has been purposefully drawn and correctly reflects its understanding of the Transactions. In construing this Agreement:

(a) examples shall not be construed to limit, expressly or by implication, the matter they illustrate;

(b) the word "includes" and its derivatives means "includes, but is not limited to" and corresponding derivative expressions;

(c) a defined term has its defined meaning throughout this Agreement, regardless whether it appears before or after the place where it is defined;

(d) the headings and titles herein are for convenience only and shall have no significance in the interpretation hereof;

(e) any reference to a statute, regulation or Law shall include any amendment thereof or any successor thereto and any rules and regulations promulgated thereunder;

- (f) currency amounts referenced herein, unless otherwise specified, are in U.S. Dollars;
- (g) unless the context otherwise requires, all references to time shall mean time in Houston, Texas;

(h) whenever this Agreement refers to a number of days, such number shall refer to calendar days unless Business Days are specified; and

(i) if a term is defined as one part of speech (such as a noun), it shall have a corresponding meaning when used as another part of speech (such as a verb).

9.2 <u>References, Gender, Number</u>. All references in this Agreement to an "Article," "Section" or "subsection" shall be to an Article, Section or subsection of this Agreement, unless the context requires otherwise. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the words "this Agreement," "hereof," "hereinder," "herein," "hereby," or words of similar import shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to a particular Article, Section, subsection, clause or other subdivision hereof. Cross references in this Agreement to a subsection or a clause within a Section may be made by reference to the number or other subdivision reference of such subsection or clause preceded by the word "Section." Whenever the context requires, the words used herein shall include the masculine, feminine and neuter gender, and the singular and the plural.

9.3 Defined Terms. Unless the context expressly requires otherwise, the respective terms defined in this Section 9.3 shall, when used in this Agreement, have the respective meanings herein specified.

"Action" means any claim, action, suit, investigation, inquiry, proceeding, condemnation or audit by or before any court or other Governmental Entity or any arbitration proceeding.

"affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, any other Person controlling, controlled by or under common control with that first Person. As used in this definition, the term "control" includes (i) with respect to any Person having voting securities or the equivalent and elected directors, managers or persons performing similar functions, the ownership of or power to vote, directly or indirectly, voting securities or the equivalent representing 50% or more of the power to vote in the election of directors, managers or persons performing similar functions, (ii) ownership of 50% or more of the equivalent interest in any Person and (iii) the ability to direct the business and affairs of any Person by acting as a general partner, manager or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of this Agreement, the Seller Parties, on the one hand, and the Buyer, on the other hand, shall not be considered affiliates of each other.

"Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Assigned Interests" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Balance Sheet" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.14(b).



"Business Day" means any day on which banks are open for business in the State of Texas, other than Saturday or Sunday.

"Buyer" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Buyer Closing Certificate" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.3(b).

"Buyer Conditions Precedent" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.1.

"Buyer Indemnitees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(a).

"Capital Stock" of a Person means all equity securities authorized for issuance by the Charter Documents of such Person, including membership interests, partnership interests or other equity interests of such Person.

"Cash Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(a).

"CCCP" means Cheniere Corpus Christi Pipeline, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"CCTP" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"CCTP LP Interests" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"CEI" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"CEI Subscription Agreement" means that certain unit purchase agreement, in substantially the form set forth on <u>Exhibit C</u> hereto, by and between the Purchaser and the Partnership, pursuant to which the Purchaser agrees to purchase from the Partnership 12,000,000 Class B Units at a price of \$15.00 per Class B Unit.

"Charter Documents" means, for any Person, the organizational governing documents of such Person, including any memorandum of association, articles of association, articles of incorporation, articles of organization, articles of formation, certificate of formation, certificate of incorporation, bylaws, limited liability company agreement, limited partnership agreement or other governing documents of any nature, all as amended or supplemented as in effect on the Closing Date.

"Cheniere CTP GP" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Cheniere GP Interest" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Cheniere GP Seller" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Cheniere LP Seller" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Class B Units" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Partnership Agreement.

"Closing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

"Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

"Consents" means all authorizations, consents, Orders or approvals of, or registrations, declarations or filings with, or expiration of waiting periods imposed by, any Governmental Entity, and any consents or approvals of any other third party, in each case that are required by applicable Law or by Contract in order to consummate the Transactions.

"Contract" means any written or oral contract, agreement, indenture, instrument, note, bond, loan, lease, mortgage, franchise, license agreement, purchase order, binding bid or offer, binding term sheet or letter of intent or memorandum, commitment, letter of credit or any other legally binding arrangement, including any amendments or modifications thereof and waivers relating thereto.

"Effective Time" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

"Encumbrance," "Encumbrances" or "Encumber" means and includes security interests or agreements, mortgages, liens, pledges, charges, assignments, including collateral assignments, easements, purchase options, reservations, rights of way, servitudes, rights of first refusal, community property interests, equitable interests, claims, indentures, deeds of trust, encroachments, licenses or leases to third parties, restrictions of any kind and all other encumbrances, whether or not relating to the extension of credit or the borrowing of money.

"Environmental Laws" means any and all Laws, Orders and Permits issued, promulgated or entered into by or with any Governmental Entity, relating to the environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, or to the protection of human health as it relates to the environment or to the management, Release or threatened Release of Hazardous Materials.

"Existing Credit Agreement" means that certain Credit Agreement dated August 15, 2008, as amended, by and among Cheniere Common Units Holding, LLC the other loan parties thereto, The Bank of New York Mellon, as administrative agent and collateral agent and the lenders party thereto, and the ancillary documents related thereto.

"FCPA" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.9(b).

"Financial Statements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.14(a).

"Frontera" means Frontera Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Fundamental Representations" means (a) as used in Section 7.1(b), the representations and warranties of the Seller Parties set forth in Sections 3.1, 3.2, 3.3(a)(i)(A), 3.4, 3.11, 3.15 and 3.19(ii) and (b) as used in Section 7.2(b), the representations and warranties of the Buyer set forth in Sections 4.1, 4.2, 4.3(a) and 4.5.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, consistently applied by the applicable Person, as in effect on the date of determination.

"General Partner" means Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the general partner of the Partnership.

"Governmental Entity" means any Federal, state, local, regional, commonwealth, state, local, foreign or other governmental agency, authority, administrative agency, regulatory body, commission, instrumentality, court or arbitral tribunal having governmental or quasi-governmental powers.

"GP Assignment" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(f).

"GP Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(a).

"Hazardous Materials" means (i) any and all radioactive materials or wastes, petroleum (including crude oil or any fraction thereof) or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos containing materials and urea formaldehyde foam and (ii) any other wastes, materials, chemicals or substances regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"**Indebtedness**" means, with respect to any Person, without duplication, (a) the principal of and accrued interest, premium (if any) or penalties on and premiums or penalties that would arise as a result of prepayment of (i) any indebtedness for borrowed money, (ii) any obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments and (iii) any obligations, contingent or otherwise, under banker's acceptance credit, letters of credit or similar facilities; (b) any obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of property, assets or services, except trade accounts payable and other current liabilities arising in the ordinary course; and (c) any guaranty of the foregoing.

"Indemnified Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Indemnifying Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Initial Funding" shall have the meaning set forth in the Unit Purchase Agreement.

"Insurance Policies" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.16.

"Intellectual Property" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.17.

"**IP Licenses**" means all licenses and other agreements pursuant to which the Seller Parties or any of their Affiliates (including the Subject Entities) are granted the right to use any Intellectual Property of a third-party, to the extent such Intellectual Property is used by the Seller Parties or any of their Affiliates in support of the business of the Subject Entities as conducted as of the Closing Date, including for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with the maintenance, operation, and servicing of the Pipeline, and including those licenses set forth in Schedule 7.1.

"**Knowledge of the Buyer**" and any variations thereof or words to the same effect shall mean the knowledge of the persons set forth on Schedule 9.3(a) after reasonable inquiry.

"Knowledge of the Seller Parties" and any variations thereof or words to the same effect shall mean the knowledge of the persons set forth on Schedule 9.3(b) after reasonable inquiry.

"Laws" means all statutes, laws, rules, regulations, Orders, ordinances, writs, injunctions, judgments and decrees of all Governmental Entities.



"Losses" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(a).

"LP Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2(a).

"Material Adverse Effect" means any change, event, fact, development, circumstance, matter or condition that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on (i) the assets, condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations or affairs, business, properties or liabilities of such Person(s), or (ii) the ability of such Person(s) to consummate the Transactions on a timely basis; *provided, however*, that a Material Adverse Effect shall not include any change, event, fact, development, circumstance, matter or condition in the LNG or natural gas industries generally (including any change in the prices of natural gas or other hydrocarbon products, industry margins or any regulatory changes or changes in Law) or in United States or global economic conditions or financial markets in general, except to the extent that the Subject Entities, taken as a whole, are adversely affected in a disproportionate manner as compared to other industry participants. Any determination as to whether any change, event, fact, development, circumstance, matter or condition has a Material Adverse Effect shall be made only after taking into account all effective insurance coverages and effective third-party indemnifications with respect to such change, event, fact, development, circumstance, matter or condition.

"Material Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.

"Natural Gas Act" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.18(a).

"O&M Agreement" means the Operation and Maintenance Services Agreement (Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline), by and between Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC and CCTP, dated as of November 26, 2007, as amended.

"Order" means any order, writ, injunction, decree, compliance or consent order or decree, settlement agreement, schedule and similar binding legal agreement issued by or entered into with a Governmental Entity.

"ordinary course of business" means the conduct of business by the applicable Person in accordance with its normal day-to-day customs, practices and procedures, conducted in accordance with past practice.

"Outside Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.1(a)(ii).

"Outstanding Interests" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.

"Partnership" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Partnership Agreement" means the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership to be entered into by the General Partner on its behalf and on behalf of the limited partners of the Partnership on the Closing Date, as such agreement may be amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time (or any similar governing document of any successor). "Party" and "Parties" shall have the meanings set forth in the Preamble.

"Permits" means certificates, licenses, permits, authorizations and approvals of a Governmental Entity required by Law.

"Permitted Encumbrance" means an Encumbrance existing under (i) any Charter Document or (ii) the Existing Credit Agreement.

"Person" means any individual, firm, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, Governmental Entity or other entity.

"**Pipeline**" means that certain natural gas pipeline owned by CCTP, which runs between the tailgate of the Sabine Pass LNG terminal situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana (and the appurtenant facilities) and a number of interconnects in the vicinity of Ragley, Louisiana in Beauregard Parish.

"**Plan**" means (a) any employee benefit plan (within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not subject to ERISA, or any bonus, incentive, unit option, unit purchase, restricted unit, phantom unit, or other equity-based compensation, deferred compensation, pension, retiree medical or life insurance, supplemental executive retirement, severance or other benefit plan, program, policy, agreement or arrangement, or (b) any employment, consulting, termination, severance, retention, change in control, transaction bonus, compensation or other contracts or agreements.

"Purchaser" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Real Property" means the real property and interests in real property held by the Subject Entities.

"**Release**" means any spill, emission, leaking, pumping, injection, deposit, disposal, discharge, dispersal, leaching, dumping, pouring, emanation or migration of any Hazardous Material in, into, onto or through the environment (including ambient air, surface water, ground water, soils, land surface or subsurface strata) or within any building, structure, facility or fixture.

"Seller Conditions Precedent" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.1.

"Seller Indemnitees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(a).

"Seller Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Seller Parties Closing Certificate" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.2(b).

"Services Budget" means the budget of expenses to be incurred by CCTP pursuant to the O&M Agreement, as set forth on Schedule

5.1.

"Straddle Period" means any taxable year or period beginning on or before and ending after the Closing Date.

"Subject Entity" means Cheniere CTP GP or CCTP, as applicable, and "Subject Entities" means Cheniere CTP GP and CCTP, collectively.

"Subsidiary Distribution" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(i).

"**Tax**" means any federal, state, local or foreign income, gross receipts, property, sales, use, license, excise, franchise, employment, payroll, withholding, alternative or add on minimum, ad valorem, transfer or excise tax, or any other tax, custom, duty, governmental fee or other like assessment or charge of any kind whatsoever, together with any interest or penalty, imposed by any Governmental Entity and including any obligation to indemnify or otherwise assume or succeed to the Tax liability of any other Person.

"Tax Return" means any return, declaration, report or similar statement with respect to any Tax (including any attached schedules), including any information return, claim for refund, amended return or declaration of estimated Tax.

"Third Party Claim" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement, the GP Assignment, the LP Assignment and any Contracts related to the Subsidiary Distribution.

"**Transactions**" means (a) the purchase and sale of the Assigned Interests contemplated by this Agreement, (b) each Seller Party executing and delivering the Transaction Documents to which it is a party, (c) the Subsidiary Distribution and (d) each of the Transaction Documents becoming effective.

"UK Act" shall have the meaning set froth in Section 3.9(b).

"Unit Purchase Agreement" means the Unit Purchase Agreement dated as of May 14, 2012, by and among the Partnership, CEI and Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, a Delaware limited partnership, as such agreement may be amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

ARTICLE X. MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 <u>Notices</u>.

(a) Any notice or other communication given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be (i) delivered personally, (ii) sent by nationally recognized overnight courier service, (iii) sent by facsimile transmission, or (iv) sent by first class mail, postage prepaid (certified or registered mail, return receipt requested). Such notice shall be deemed to have been duly given (w) on the date of delivery, if delivered personally, (x) on the Business Day after deposited with a nationally recognized overnight courier service, if sent in such manner, (y) on the date of facsimile transmission, if so transmitted on a Business Day during normal business hours, with confirmation of successful transmission confirmed by the sender's facsimile machine, and otherwise on the next succeeding Business Day, or (z) on the fifth Business Day after sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, if sent in such manner. Notices or other communications shall be directed to the following addresses:

Notices to any of the Seller Parties:

Cheniere Energy, Inc.

700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Tel: 713.375.5394 Fax: 713.375.6394 Attention: Greg W. Rayford

Notices to the Buyer:

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 Tel: 713.375.5276 Fax: 713.375.6276 Attention: Meg A. Gentle

(b) Either the Seller Parties or the Buyer may at any time change its address for service from time to time by giving notice to the other Party in accordance with this Section 10.1.

10.2 <u>Severability</u>. If any term of this Agreement is found to be invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced under applicable Law or public policy, such term shall be deemed amended to the minimum extent possible to make such term valid, legal and enforceable, and if such term is not capable of being so amended, it shall be deemed excised from this Agreement, and the other terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the Transactions are not affected in any manner materially adverse to any Party.

10.3 Specific Performance. The Parties agree that irreparable damage for which monetary damages, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, would occur in the event that the Parties do not perform the provisions of this Agreement in accordance with their specified terms or otherwise breach such provisions. It is accordingly agreed that the Parties shall be entitled to an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief to prevent breaches of this Agreement by the Seller Parties and to enforce specifically all terms and provisions hereof, this being in addition to any other remedy to which it is entitled at Law or in equity. Subject to the limitations set forth in this Section 10.3, each Party agrees that it will not oppose the granting of an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief permitted by this Section 10.3 on the basis that the Party seeking such injunction, specific performance or other equitable relief has an adequate remedy at Law.

10.4 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be subject to and governed by the Laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to conflicts of Law rules or principles that might refer the construction or interpretation of this Agreement to the laws of another state. Any action against any Party relating to the foregoing shall be brought in any federal or state court of competent jurisdiction located within the State of Texas, and the Parties irrevocable submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any federal or state court located within the State of Texas over any such action. The Parties hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, any objection that they may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such dispute brought in such court or any defense of inconvenient forum for the maintenance of such dispute. Each of the Parties agrees that a judgment in any such dispute may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by Law.

10.5 <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. EACH PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT HEREBY WAIVES, AND AGREES TO CAUSE ITS AFFILIATES TO WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION (i) ARISING UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR (ii) IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH OR RELATED OR INCIDENTAL TO THE DEALINGS OF THE PARTIES HERETO IN RESPECT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OF THE TRANSACTIONS, IN EACH CASE WHETHER NOW EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ARISING, AND WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT, EQUITY OR OTHERWISE. THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT EACH HEREBY AGREES AND CONSENTS THAT ANY SUCH CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION SHALL BE DECIDED BY COURT TRIAL WITHOUT A JURY AND THAT THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT MAY FILE AN ORIGINAL COUNTERPART OF A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT WITH ANY COURT AS WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF THE CONSENT OF THE PARTIES HERETO TO THE WAIVER OF THEIR RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY.

10.7 Parties in Interest. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of each Party hereto and its successors and permitted assigns, and nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any other Person any rights or remedies of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

10.8 Assignment of Agreement. This Agreement may not be assigned by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Parties other than in connection with any collateral assignment for the benefit of securing obligations to lenders.

10.9 <u>Captions</u>. The captions in this Agreement are for purposes of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the interpretation hereof.

10.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and delivered by facsimile or portable document ".pdf" format, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

10.11 <u>Director and Officer Liability</u>. The directors, managers, officers, partners and members of the Buyer, the Seller Parties and their respective affiliates shall not have any personal liability or obligation arising under this Agreement (including any claims that another Party may assert) other than as an assignee of this Agreement or pursuant to a written guarantee.

10.12 Integration. This Agreement supersedes any previous understandings or agreements among the Parties, whether oral or written, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

10.13 <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may only be amended by written instrument signed by the General Partner, on behalf of the Buyer, and the Seller Parties, and consented to in writing by the conflicts committee of the board of directors of the General Partner in its sole discretion.

[Remainder of page intentionally left blank. Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first set forth above.

SELLER PARTIES:

CHENIERE PIPELINE COMPANY

By: /s/ R. Keith Teague

Name:R. Keith TeagueTitle:President

GRAND CHENIERE PIPELINE, LLC

By: /s/ R. Keith Teague Name: R. Keith Teague Title: President

BUYER:

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, its General Partner

By:	/s/ Meg A. Gentle			
	Name:	Meg A. Gentle		
	Title:	Chief Financial Officer		

Solely for the purposes of Sections 5.5 and 5.6 and Article VII

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

By:	/s/ Graham A. McArthur			
	Name:	Graham A. McArthur		
	Title:	Vice President and Treasurer		

[Signature Page to Purchase and Sale Agreement]

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

Class B Unit Purchase Agreement

Houston, Texas May 14, 2012

Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. 700 Milam Street, 8th Floor Houston, Texas 77002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., a limited partnership organized under the laws of Delaware (the "<u>Partnership</u>"), proposes to directly sell (the "<u>Offering</u>") to Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Purchaser</u>"), up to 12,000,000 Class B Units (the "<u>Purchased</u> <u>Units</u>"), each representing a limited partner interest in the Partnership ("<u>Common Units</u>"). Certain terms used herein are defined in <u>Section 14</u> hereof. Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC is referred to herein as the "<u>General Partner</u>," and the General Partner, together with the Partnership, is referred to collectively herein as the "<u>Cheniere Entities</u>".

This is to confirm the agreement among the Partnership and Purchaser concerning the purchase of the Purchased Units from the Partnership by the Purchaser.

1. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Partnership</u>. The Partnership represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Purchaser as set forth below in this <u>Section 1</u>.

(a) *Formation and Qualification of the Cheniere Entities*. Each of the Cheniere Entities has been duly formed and is validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware with all limited liability company or limited partnership, as the case may be, power and authority necessary to own or hold its properties and conduct the businesses in which it is engaged and (i) in the case of the General Partner, to act as general partner of the Partnership, and (ii) to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Each of the General Partner and the Partnership is duly registered or qualified to do business and is in good standing as a foreign limited liability company or limited partnership, as the case may be, in each jurisdiction in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its businesses requires such qualification or registration, except where the failure to so qualify or register would not (i) individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business or prospects of the Partnership and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole (an "<u>CQP Material Adverse Effect</u>") or (ii) subject the limited partners of the Partnership to any material liability.

(b) *Valid Issuance of the Purchased Units*. The Purchased Units and the limited partner interests represented thereby, will be duly authorized in accordance with the Amended Partnership Agreement and, when issued and delivered to the Purchaser against payment therefor in accordance with the terms hereof and the Amended Partnership Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required under the Amended Partnership Agreement) and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act). Upon their issuance in accordance with the Amended Partnership Agreement, the common units representing limited partner interests of the Partnership issuable upon conversion of the Purchased Units (the "<u>Conversion Units</u>"), will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid (to the extent required under the Amended Partnership Agreement) and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 17-303, 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware LP Act).

(c) *Authority*. Each of the Cheniere Entities has all requisite limited liability company and limited partnership power and authority, as the case may be, to execute and deliver this Agreement for itself or on behalf of the Partnership and for the Partnership to perform its obligations hereunder. The Partnership has all requisite power and authority to issue, sell and deliver the Purchased Units, in accordance with and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Amended Partnership Agreement.

(d) *Authorization, Execution and Delivery of Agreements.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Partnership and constitutes the valid and binding obligation of the Partnership, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(e) *No Conflicts*. None of the (i) offering, issuance and sale by the Partnership of the Purchased Units (including upon the conversion of the Purchased Units into Conversion Units), (ii) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by the Partnership, or (iii) consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (A) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a violation of any organizational documents of any of the Cheniere Entities, (B) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a breach or violation of, or a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which either of the Cheniere Entities is a party or by which either of them or any of their respective properties may be bound, (C) violates or will violate any statute, law or regulation or any order, judgment, decree or injunction of any court, arbitrator or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over either of the Cheniere Entities, or any of their respective properties or assets, or (D) results or will result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of any of the Cheniere Entities, which conflicts, breaches, violations, defaults or liens, in the case of clauses (B) or (D), would, individually or in the aggregate, have an CQP Material Adverse Effect.

(f) *Investment Company*. None of the Cheniere Entities is now, or immediately after the sale of the Purchased Units and application of the net proceeds from such sale as approved by the board of directors of the General Partner will be, an "investment company" or a company "controlled by" an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "<u>Investment Company Act</u>").

(g) Absence of Certain Actions. No action has been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order has been enacted, adopted or issued by any governmental agency or body which prevents the issuance or sale of the Purchased Units in any jurisdiction; no injunction, restraining order or order of any nature by any federal or state court of competent jurisdiction has been issued with respect to any of the Cheniere Entities which would prevent or suspend the issuance or sale of the Purchased Units; no action, suit or proceeding is pending against or, to the knowledge of the Cheniere Entities, threatened against or affecting any of the Cheniere Entities before any court or arbitrator or any governmental agency, body or official, domestic or foreign, which could reasonably be expected to interfere with or adversely affect the issuance of the Purchased Units or in any manner draw into question the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or any action taken or to be taken pursuant hereto.

2. <u>Representations of the Purchaser</u>. The Purchaser represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Partnership as set forth below in this <u>Section 2</u>.

(a) *Formation and Qualification of the Purchaser*. The Purchaser has been duly formed and is validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware with all corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as applicable, necessary to own or hold its properties and conduct the businesses in which it is engaged and to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

(b) *Authority*. The Purchaser has all requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as applicable, to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder.

(c) *Authorization, Execution and Delivery of Agreements.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Purchaser and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(d) *No Conflicts*. Neither the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by the Purchaser nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (A) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a violation of the organizational documents of the Purchaser, (B) conflicts or will conflict with or constitutes or will constitute a breach or violation of, or a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default) under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which the Purchaser is a party or by which it or any of its respective properties may be bound, (C) violates or will violate any

statute, law or regulation or any order, judgment, decree or injunction of any court, arbitrator or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Purchaser, or any of its properties or assets, or (D) results or will result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Purchaser, which conflicts, breaches, violations, defaults or liens, in the case of clauses (B) or (D), would, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business or prospects of the Purchaser.

(e) Accredited Investor, Etc. The Purchaser is an accredited investor, as defined in Rule 501 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Purchaser is making this investment for its own account and not for the account of others and is not buying the Purchased Units with the present intention of reselling them. The Purchaser has conducted its own diligence regarding its investment in the Purchased Units and has sought such accounting, legal and tax advice as the Purchaser considers necessary to make an informed investment decision with respect to the Purchased Units. The Purchaser is experienced in investment and business matters (or has been advised by an investment adviser who is so experienced), understands fully the nature of the risk involved in its investment in the Purchased Units acquired hereunder and is financially able to assume such risks.

3. <u>Purchase and Sale</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, the Partnership agrees to sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser hereby agrees to purchase from the Partnership, 12,000,000 Purchased Units for a purchase price of \$15.00 per Purchased Unit.

4. <u>Delivery and Payment</u>. Delivery of and payment for any Purchased Units not purchased by the Purchaser prior to the date thereof shall be made on such Business Day that the conditions set forth in Section 5 have been satisfied (such date and time of delivery and payment for Purchased Units being herein called the "<u>Closing Date</u>"). Delivery of the Purchased Units shall be made to the Purchaser against payment by the Purchaser of the purchase price therefor to or upon the order of the Partnership by wire transfer payable in same-day funds to an account specified by the Partnership. The Partnership shall deliver original unit certificates representing the Purchased Units, duly executed by the Partnership, unless the Purchaser shall otherwise instruct.

5. Conditions to Closing.

(a) The obligations of each of the Purchaser and the Partnership to purchase and sell, respectively, the Purchased Units shall be subject to satisfaction of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by a particular party on behalf of itself in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable law), as of the Closing Date:

(i) No statute, rule, order, decree or regulation shall have been enacted or promulgated, and no action shall have been taken, by any governmental authority which temporarily, preliminarily or permanently restrains, precludes, enjoins or otherwise prohibits or seeks to prohibit the consummation of the sale and purchase of the Purchased Units;

(ii) There shall not be pending any suit, action or proceeding by any third party that is not a governmental authority which seeks to restrain, preclude, enjoin or prohibit the purchase and sale of the Purchased Units and, in each case, has a reasonable probability of success on the merits; and

(iii) The "Closing" under the CCTP Purchase Agreement shall have occurred.

(b) The obligations of the Purchaser to purchase the Purchased Units shall be subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by the Purchaser in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable law), as of the Closing Date:

(i) The representations and warranties of the Partnership contained in this Agreement (other than Section 1(e)(iii)(B)) shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (other than the representations and warranties as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct on and as of such date) without giving effect to any limitation as to materiality or CQP Material Adverse Effect set forth therein, except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a CQP Material Adverse Effect;

(ii) The Partnership shall have performed in all material respects all of the covenants required to be performed by it hereunder prior to the Closing Date;

(iii) The Amended Partnership Agreement shall have been duly executed by the General Partner and shall be in full force and effect; and

(iv) The Registration Rights Agreement shall have been duly executed by the Partnership and shall be in full force and effect.

(c) The obligations of the Partnership to sell the Purchased Units shall be subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by the Seller in writing, in whole or in part, to the extent permitted by applicable law), as of the Closing Date:

(i) All of the representations and warranties of the Purchaser contained in this Agreement shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (other than the representations and warranties as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct on and as of such date) without giving effect to any limitation as to materiality set forth therein, except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to cause, a delay in the Closing Date or impair the Purchaser's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement; and

(ii) The Purchaser shall have performed in all material respects all of the covenants required to be performed by it hereunder prior to the Closing Date.

6. Termination

(a) This Agreement may be terminated and the purchase and sale of the Purchased Units abandoned at any time prior to the Closing Date:

(i) by mutual written consent of the Purchaser and the Partnership;

(ii) by written notice by either the Purchaser or the Partnership if the Closing Date has not occurred by December 31, 2012 (the "<u>Outside Date</u>"); provided, however, that the foregoing right to terminate this Agreement shall not be available to any party whose breach of this Agreement has been the cause of, or resulted in, the failure of the Closing Date to occur on or before such date;

(iii) by either the Purchaser or the Partnership if a governmental entity shall have issued an order, writ, injunction or decree or taken any other action, in each case permanently restraining, enjoining, or otherwise prohibiting the purchase or sale of the Purchased Units; or

(iv) by either the Purchaser or the Partnership in the event of a material breach by the Partnership or the Purchaser, respectively, of any representation, warranty, covenant or other agreement contained in this Agreement which (A) would give rise to the failure of a condition precedent of the Purchaser or the Partnership, respectively, and (B) cannot be or has not been cured within the earlier of (x) 30 days following receipt by the breaching party of written notice of such breach and (y) the Business Day immediately preceding the Outside Date.

(b) Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 6</u>, the undertakings of the parties set forth in this Agreement shall forthwith be of no further force and effect; provided, however, that no such termination shall relieve any party of any liability for willful material breach of any term or provision hereof.

7. <u>Survival</u>. All of the representations, warranties and covenants of the parties to this Agreement shall terminate on the Closing Date and there shall be no liability on the part of any party to this Agreement thereafter with respect thereto, except for the representations and warranties set forth in Sections 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 2(b) and 2(c), which shall survive indefinitely.

8. <u>Notices</u>. All communications hereunder will be in writing and effective only upon receipt, and, if sent to the Purchaser, will be mailed or delivered to Cheniere Common Units Holding, LLC, 700 Milam Street, 8th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Chief Financial Officer; or, if sent to the Partnership, will be mailed or delivered to Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., 700 Milam Street, 8th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Chief Financial Officer.

9. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, and no other person will have any right or obligation hereunder. The Purchaser shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to assign all of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to a directly or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Purchaser.

10. <u>Applicable Law</u>. THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

12. Headings. The section headings used herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

13. <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may only be amended by written instrument signed by the parties hereto.

14. <u>Severability</u>. If any term of this Agreement is found to be invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced under applicable law or public policy, such term shall be deemed amended to the minimum extent possible to make such term valid, legal and enforceable, and if such term is not capable of being so amended, it shall be deemed excised from this Agreement, and the other terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transaction contemplated hereby are not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party.

15. Definitions. The terms which follow, when used in this Agreement, shall have the meanings indicated.

"<u>Amended Partnership Agreement</u>" means the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., substantially in the form attached to the Unit Purchase Agreement as Exhibit B.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions or trust companies are authorized or obligated by law to close in Houston, Texas.

"<u>CCTP Purchase Agreement</u>" means that certain Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among Cheniere Pipeline Company, the Purchaser, the Partnership and Cheniere Energy, Inc.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Delaware LP Act" means the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act.

"<u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>" means the Investors' and Registration Rights Agreement, among the Partnership, the General Partner, Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, the Purchaser and the other investors party thereto, substantially in the form attached to the Unit Purchase Agreement as Exhibit D.

"<u>Unit Purchase Agreement</u>" means the Unit Purchase Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement, among the Partnership, Cheniere Energy, Inc. and Blackstone CQP Holdco LP.

[Signature Pages to Follow]

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to us the enclosed duplicate hereof, whereupon this letter and your acceptance shall represent a binding agreement among the Partnership and the Purchaser.

Very truly yours,

the "Partnership"

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Meg A. Gentle

Meg A. Gentle Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Subscription Agreement of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.]

The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted as of the date first above written.

"Purchaser"

CHENIERE LNG TERMINALS, INC.

By: /s/ Meg A. Gentle

Meg A. Gentle Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Subscription Agreement of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.]

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

(SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION FACILITIES)

by and between

CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC ("O&M Services"),

Cheniere ENERGY PARTNERS GP, LLC ("Operator")

and

Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC ("Owner")

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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

(SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION FACILITIES)

THIS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated May 14, 2012, is between (a) Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Operator"), (b) Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Owner") and (c) solely for purposes of Section 3.1, 5.1, 5.6, 8.8, Article XII, Article XIII, Article XVIII, Article XIX and Section 21.3 and the related definitions used therein, Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC ("O&M Services"), a Delaware limited liability company. Operator and Owner and, solely for purposes of Section 3.1, 5.1, 5.6, 8.8, Article XII Article XIII, Article XVIII, Article XIX and Section 21.3 and the related definitions, O&M Services, are referred to herein, individually, as a "Party" and, collectively, as the "Parties".

Recitals:

A. Owner is undertaking to contract for the operation and maintenance of the Facility (as hereinafter defined) located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

B. Operator desires to provide operation and maintenance services to the Facility on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

C. Owner desires to appoint Operator to operate and maintain the Facility on the terms and conditions of this Agreement including the standards of performance established by this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions. When used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"AAA" is defined in Section 18.2.

"AAA Rules" is defined in Section 18.2.

"Actual Operating Expenses" means, with respect to any period, the aggregate of all expenses incurred by Operator in connection with the performance of the Services during such period, including expenses incurred by Operator in accordance with Article XVII in responding to an Emergency.

"Additional Agreement" is defined in Section 6.1.

"Affiliate" means, in relation to any Person, a Person that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such Person. As used in this definition the terms "control," "controlled by," or "under common control with" shall mean the ownership, directly or indirectly, of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting securities of such Person or the power or authority, through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise, to direct the management, activities, or policies of such Person.



"Agreement" means this Operation and Maintenance Agreement, as amended from time to time.

"Applicable Laws" means the applicable laws, rules, and regulations, including common law, of any Government Authority.

"Applicable Period" means the Pre-Mobilization Period, the Mobilization and Start-Up Period or the Operating Period, individually or collectively, as the context may require.

"Approved Budget" means for the Pre-Mobilization Period, the Mobilization and Start- Up Period and each Operating Year, the Budget which is part of an Operating Plan approved by Owner pursuant to Article VII, as modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Approved Maintenance Program" means for each Operating Year, the Maintenance Program as approved by Owner pursuant to Article VII, as modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Approved Operating Plan" means for the Pre-Mobilization Period, the Mobilization and Start-Up Period and each Operating Year, the Operating Plan approved by Owner pursuant to Article VII, as modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Base Rate" means the interest rate per annum equal to the lesser of (a) the prime rate (sometimes referred to as the base rate) for corporate loans as published by *The Wall Street Journal* in the money rates section on the applicable date (or if *The Wall Street Journal* ceases or fails to publish such a rate, the prime rate (or an equivalent thereof) in the United States for corporate loans determined as the average of the rates referred to as prime rate, base rate or the equivalent thereof, quoted by J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., or any successor thereof, for short term corporate loans in Texas on the applicable date) plus two percent (2%) or (b) the maximum lawful rate from time to time permitted by Applicable Law. The Base Rate shall change as and when the underlying components thereof change, without notice to any Person.

"BG SPA" means the Amended and Restated LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB) dated January 25, 2012 with BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC.

"Billing Report" means a monthly report prepared by Operator pursuant to Section 8.6 which shall set forth all amounts reasonably and properly incurred by Operator in the performance of the Services and its obligations under this Agreement during that Month for the Facility and which shall include all amounts reasonably and properly incurred by Operator in respect of the employment of O&M Employees and Subcontractors performing the Services.

"**Budget**" means for the Pre-Mobilization Period, the Mobilization and Start-Up Period and each Operating Year, the budget comprising part of the Operating Plan for such Operating Year prepared by Operator and submitted to Owner for its approval under Article VII.

"**Capacity Charge**" means (a) with respect to the BG SPA and the GN SPA, the Monthly Sales Charge, as defined thereunder, and (b) with respect to the Kogas SPA and the GAIL SPA, the constant component "Xy" of the contract sales price thereunder.

"**Capacity Charge Shortfall Period**" means any period in time during which Owner, as seller of LNG under any LNG SPA does not receive the full amount of the Capacity Charge in respect of such LNG SPA as a result of or in connection with (a) the failure of any LNG SPA to become effective on or prior to the CP Fulfillment Date (as defined in each respect LNG SPA) or (b) any failure of the buyer under any LNG SPA to pay a Capacity Charge (other than as a result of Owner's breach of the applicable LNG SPA).

"CMI SPA" means the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB) between Owner and Cheniere Marketing, LLC, dated as of May 14, 2012.

"CMMS" is defined in Part 1 Schedule 1.

"Collateral" means collateral as defined in the Credit Agreement.

"Collateral Agent" means the Collateral Agent under the Credit Agreement.

"Confidential Information" is defined in Section 16.1.

"Contractor" means a party other than Owner or Operator to a Project Contract.

"**COTP**" is defined in Section 6.8(a).

"CPI" means the United States Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as published from time to time by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor (All Urban Consumers, U.S., All Items, 1982-1984, Not Seasonally Adjusted, Series I.D. CUUR0000SA0), or if such index is no longer published then such other index as Operator may select, by reference to any replacement index that is used in sales contracts of LNG produced by the Facility, and Owner shall approve, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld; provided that, if an incorrect value is published for such index, and such error is corrected and published within ninety (90) Days of the date of the publication of such incorrect index, such corrected index will be substituted for the incorrect index and any calculations involving such index will be recalculated and the Parties will take any necessary actions based upon these revised calculations, including adjustments of amounts previously invoiced and/or paid.

"CPT" means prevailing local time in the Central time zone.

"Credit Agreement" means the loan and/ or credit agreements providing part of the funding for the development, construction, startup and operation of the Facility.

"Customer" means a customer of Owner.

"Day" or "day" means each twenty-four (24) Hour period from 00:00:01 a.m. to 24:00:00 p.m. CPT.

"Dispute" means any dispute, controversy or claim (of any and every kind or type whether based on contract, tort, statute, regulation or otherwise) arising out of, relating to or connected with this Agreement, including any dispute as to the construction, validity, interpretation, termination, enforceability or breach of this Agreement.

"Dispute Notice" is defined in Section 18.1

"Effective Date" means the date of this Agreement.

"**Emergency**" means any situation which is likely to impose an immediate threat of injury to any individual or material damage or material economic loss to all or any part of the Facility or to any other property located at the Site; <u>provided</u> that a situation resulting from the failure to adhere to an Approved Budget shall not constitute an Emergency to the extent such failure was reasonably foreseeable at the time Operator proposed the then-applicable Operating Plan. The Operating Plan shall not include budget contingencies for unknown leaks or spills and/or any unplanned release of LNG, Natural Gas, lubricants, refrigerants or other consumables, nor shall it include budget contingencies for mitigation and/or recovery associated with future tropical storms, hurricanes, or other future Force Majeure Events.

"EPC Contract" means the Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement dated November 11, 2011 between Owner and the EPC Contractor and any engineering, procurement, and construction agreement to be entered into between Owner and a contractor for construction of additional LNG Trains.

"EPC Contractor" means Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc.

"Extension Term" is defined in Section 2.2.

"Facility" means Owner's facilities for the receipt of Natural Gas, the liquefaction of Natural Gas and the storage and send-out of LNG which facilities are located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"**FERC Authorization**" means the authorization by the FERC issued on April 16, 2012 granting to Owner the approvals requested in that certain application filed by Owner with the FERC on January 31, 2011, in Docket No. CP 11-72-000 (as may be amended from time to time) pursuant to Section 3(a) of the Natural Gas Act and the corresponding regulations of the FERC.

"Force Majeure Event" means any circumstance or event beyond the reasonable control of a Party including the following events:

(1) explosion, fire, nuclear radiation or chemical or biological contamination, hurricane, tropical storm, tornado, lightning, earthquake, flood, unusually severe weather, natural disaster, epidemic, any other act of God, and any other similar circumstance;

(2) war and other hostilities (whether declared or not), revolution, public disorder, insurrection, rebellion, sabotage, or terrorist action;

(3) failure of any third party supplier, where the failure is due to an event which constitutes force majeure under Owner's or Operator's contract with that party;

(4) any action taken by any Government Authority after the date of this Agreement, including any order, legislation, enactment, judgment, ruling, or decision thereof;

- (5) Labor Disputes; and
- (6) major equipment failure;

but (i) no event or circumstance shall be considered to be a Force Majeure Event (x) to the extent such event or circumstance is due to the negligence, gross negligence, breach of this Agreement or willful misconduct of the Party claiming a Force Majeure Event or the Manager or (y) if such event or circumstance would have been avoided or prevented had Operator exercised due diligence in the performance of the Services and (ii) Force Majeure Events shall expressly exclude (x) failure of a Subcontractor to perform its obligations under a Subcontract unless the failure is due to an event which constitutes force majeure under the Subcontract, and (y) a Party's financial inability to perform hereunder.

"FSA" is defined in Section 6.8(b).

"**FSP**" is defined in Section 6.8(a).

"Full Insurable Value" is defined in 5(d) Schedule 3.

"GAAP" means United States generally accepted accounting principles, consistently applied.

"GAIL SPA" mean the LNG Purchase and Sale Agreement (FOB) dated December 11, 2011 between Owner and GAIL (India) Limited.

"GN SPA" means the LNG Purchase and Sale Agreement (FOB) dated November 21, 2011 between Owner and Gas Natural Aprovisionamientos SDG S.A.

"GP Board" means the Board of Directors of Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC.

"Government Approvals" means all permits, licenses, approvals, certificates, consents, concessions, acknowledgments, agreements, decisions, and other forms of authorizations from, or filing with, or notice to, any Government Authority.

"Government Authority" means any federal, state, local or municipal governmental body, and any governmental, regulatory, or administrative agency, commission, body, or other authority exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative policy, regulatory, or taxing authority or power, or any court or governmental tribunal.

"Hour" or "hour" means sixty (60) minute intervals in each Day.

"Indexed" means that the amount to be indexed is to be multiplied on each anniversary of the Effective Date by a fraction the numerator of which is the CPI on said anniversary of the Effective Date and the denominator of which is the CPI on the Effective Date.

"Initial Term" is defined in Section 2.2.

"International LNG Terminal Standards" means to the extent not inconsistent with the express requirements of this Agreement, the international standards and practices applicable to the operation and maintenance of LNG liquefaction facilities, established by the following (such standards to apply in the following order of priority): (i) a Government Authority having jurisdiction over Owner; (ii) the Society of International Gas Tanker and Terminal Operators; and (iii) any other internationally recognized non-governmental agency or organization with whose standards and practices it is customary for Reasonable and Prudent Operators of LNG liquefaction facilities to comply. In the event of a conflict between any of the priorities noted above, the priority with the lowest roman numeral noted above shall prevail.

"Kogas SPA" means the LNG Purchase and Sale Agreement (FOB) dated January 30, 2012 between Owner and Korea Gas Corporation.

"Labor Costs" means all payroll costs, including salaries, employee benefits and payroll taxes (net of any related tax refunds, rebates or similar reductions received by any member of the Operator Group) payable by Operator in accordance with the Approved Budget and Operating Plan.

"Labor Disputes" means any national, regional or local labor strikes, work stoppages, boycotts, walkouts, or other labor difficulties or shortages, including any of the foregoing which affects access to the Facility or the ability to ship or receive goods (including spare parts).

"Lien" means any liens for Taxes or assessments, builder, mechanic, warehousemen, materialmen, contractor, workmen, repairmen, or carrier liens, or other similar liens.

"LLC Agreement" means the LLC Agreement of Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, as may be amended from time to time.

"Loss" means any losses, liabilities, costs, expenses, claims, proceedings, actions, demands, obligations, deficiencies, lawsuits, judgments, awards, or damages.

"LNG" means Natural Gas in a liquid state at or below its boiling point at a pressure of approximately one atmosphere

"LNG SPA" means each of the following LNG sale and purchase agreements entered into by Project Company as seller of LNG: (a) the BG SPA, (b) the GN SPA, (c) the Kogas SPA, and (d) the GAIL SPA.

"LNG Vessel" means an ocean-going vessel suitable for transporting LNG.

"Maintenance Program" means the major equipment maintenance program for the Facility prepared by Operator and submitted to Owner for its approval under Section 7.1.

"Main Automation Contractor" means Owner's contractor responsible for developing an Integrated Business, Information and Control System (IBICS) that will encompass both the operation of the Facility and other related systems.

"Manager" means the Manager under the Management Services Agreement.

"Management Services Agreement" means the Management Services Agreement of even date herewith between Owner and Cheniere Terminals, Inc., as Manager.

"Manufacturer's Recommendations" means the instructions, procedures, and recommendations which are issued by the manufacturer of any equipment used at the Facility relating to the operation, maintenance, or repair of such equipment, and any revisions or updates thereto from time to time issued by the manufacturer.

"Marine Services Company" means the company contracted to provide tug boat and other marine services to the LNG Vessels at the Facility.

"**Mobilization and Start-Up Period**" means with respect to each Train, the period from (i) the date as mutually agreed by Owner and Operator after consultation with the EPC Contractor (which in the case of the initial Train shall be the date upon which Owner and Operator agree following consultation with Operator that O&M Employees mobilize at the Site) through and including (ii) the last day immediately preceding the Substantial Completion Date for such Train.

"Month" means the period beginning at 00:00:01 a.m., CPT, on the first Day of each calendar month and ending at the same time on the first Day of the next succeeding calendar month.

"Natural Gas" means any mixture of hydrocarbons and other gases consisting primarily of methane which at a temperature of sixty degrees Fahrenheit (60°F) and at an absolute pressure of 1.01325 bar is predominately in the gaseous state.

"Notice" is defined in Section 19.1.

"O&M Account" is defined in Section 8.4.

"O&M Employees" means the employees of Operator or any Affiliate of Operator (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries (including Owner)) who are engaged by Operator to perform Services under this Agreement, but excludes all senior officers of Cheniere Energy, Inc.

"O&M Fee" is defined in Section 9.2.

"O&M Procedures Manual" means the manual containing the operation and maintenance procedures prepared by Operator and EPC Contractor and approved by Owner.

"O&M Services" is defined in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"Operating Expenses" is defined in Section 8.2.

"Operating Period" means with respect to each Train, the period commencing on the Substantial Completion Date for such Train and ending upon termination of the term of this Agreement.

"Operating Plan" means the operating plan and where required related budget for the applicable Trains prepared by Operator and submitted to Owner for its approval pursuant to Article VII.

"**Operating Year**" means the period commencing 12:00 midnight, CPT, time on the Substantial Completion Date for each Train through 12:00 midnight, CPT, on the next December 31, and each Year thereafter in the term hereof commencing 12:00 midnight, CPT, on December 31 of the prior Year and ending 11:59 p.m., CPT, on December 31 of the following Year.

"Operator" is defined in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"Operator Events of Default" is defined in Section 11.1.

"**Operator Group**" means (i) Operator and its Affiliates (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries (including Owner)) and (ii) the respective directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives of each Person specified in clause (i) above.

"Operator's Representative" is defined in Section 5.3.

"Owner" is defined in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"Owner Events of Default" is defined in Section 11.2.

"Owner Group" means (i) Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries (including Owner) and Owner's lenders and each of their Affiliates and (ii) the respective directors, officers, agents, employees and representatives of each Person specified in clause (i) above.

"Owner's Representative" is defined in Section 5.4.

"**Party**" is defined in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"**Person**" means any natural person, firm, corporation, company, voluntary association, general or limited partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, Government Authority or any other entity, whether acting in an individual, fiduciary, or other capacity.

"**Pre-Mobilization Period**" means with respect to each Train, the period from (i) the Effective Date until but excluding (ii) the first Day of the Mobilization and Start-Up Period for such Train.

"Pre-Operating Fee" is defined in Section 9.1.

"Project Contracts" means the agreements described in Schedule 5 and all other agreements related to the development, financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Facility, including Additional Agreements.

"Quality Jobs Program" means all rights, responsibilities, benefits and duties pursuant to the Louisiana Quality Jobs contracts effective as of January 1, 2005 and January 1, 2012 between O&M Services and the State of Louisiana.

"Ready For Start Up" has the meaning provided in the EPC Contract.

"Reasonable and Prudent Operator" means a Person seeking in good faith to perform its contractual obligations, and in so doing, and in the general conduct of its undertaking, exercising that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced operator engaged in the same type of undertaking under the same or similar circumstances and conditions.

"Retained Rights" is defined in Section 4.2.

"Secondment Agreement" means the Services and Secondment Agreement related to among other things the Services hereunder to be entered into between O&M Services and Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, as may be amended from time to time.

"Services" means all of the services to be provided by Operator pursuant to this Agreement, including those services described in Article III and Schedule 1, but excluding those services which are expressly to be provided by (a) the Manager under the Management Services Agreement or (b) Operator or any of its Affiliates (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) under any other operation and maintenance, management service or similar agreement.

"Site" means the land on which all or any part of the Facility is to be built, including any adjacent working areas required by Owner, or any other contractor or subcontractor of Owner, and all rights of way and access rights.

"Standing Procedures" means the procedures prepared by Operator under Schedule 4.

"Subcontract" means any contract for the supply of goods, work, materials, or equipment in connection with the Services provided hereunder entered into between Operator and any Subcontractor.

"Subcontractor" means any Person party to a Subcontract with Operator.

"Substantial Completion" has the meaning provided in the EPC Contract.

"Substantial Completion Date" is the date that Substantial Completion occurs.

"Successor Operator" is defined in Section 11.6.

"Supermajority Lenders" has the meaning provided in the Credit Agreement.

"**Tax**" means any tax, duty, impost, and levy of any nature (whether state, local, or federal) whatsoever and wherever charged, levied, or imposed, together with any interest and penalties in relation thereto.

"Termination Date" is defined in Section 11.4.

"Termination Notice" is defined in Section 11.4.

"Train" means an LNG production train located at the Facility.

"Year" means a period beginning at 0000 hours on the first Day of a calendar Year and ending at 2400 hours on the last Day of such calendar Year.

1.2 Rules of Construction. In construing and interpreting this Agreement, the following rules of construction shall be followed:

(a) words imparting the singular shall include the plural and vice versa;

(b) a reference in this Agreement to any Article, Section, clause, or paragraph is, except where it is expressly stated to the contrary or the context otherwise requires, a reference to such Article, Section, clause, or paragraph herein;

(c) headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not be used for purposes of construction or interpretation of this Agreement;

(d) each reference to any Applicable Law shall be construed as a reference to such Applicable Law as it may have been, or may from time to time be, amended, replaced, or re-enacted and shall include any rule or regulation promulgated under any such Applicable Law;

(e) the terms "hereof," "herein," "hereto," "hereunder," and words of similar or like import, refer to this entire Agreement and not any one particular Article, Section, Schedule, or other subdivision of this Agreement;

(f) any accounting terms used but not expressly defined herein shall have the meanings given to them under GAAP as consistently applied by the Person to which they relate;

(g) the word "including" and its syntactical variants means "includes, but not limited to" and corresponding syntactical variant expressions;

(h) in computing any period of time prescribed or allowed under this Agreement, the Day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period of time begins to run shall be included and if the last Day of the period so computed is not a business day in the place where performance is due, then the period shall run until the close of business on the immediately succeeding business day; and

(i) this Agreement shall be deemed to be the work product of each Party hereto, and there shall be no presumption that an ambiguity should be construed in favor of or against Owner or Operator solely as a result of such Party's actual or alleged role in the drafting of this Agreement.

ARTICLE II. APPOINTMENT OF OPERATOR AND TERM

2.1 Appointment. Owner hereby appoints Operator, and Operator accepts the appointment, to operate and maintain the Facility, and to perform the Services, on and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

2.2 Term. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and unless sooner terminated as provided herein, shall continue in full force and effect until twenty (20) years after the last Train reaches Substantial Completion (the "Initial Term"). The term of this Agreement shall continue for twelve (12) months following the end of the Initial Term and for twelve (12) month periods following each anniversary of the end of the Initial Term (each an "Extension Term") unless either Party shall have given the other Notice of termination at least twelve (12) months prior to the end of the Initial Term or the end of an Extension Term, as the case may be.

ARTICLE III. SCOPE OF SERVICES

3.1 Generally. Operator shall, operate and maintain the Facility and perform the Services in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. O&M Services shall provide Operator with the personnel required to be provided by O&M Services under the Secondment Agreement.

3.2 Services. During each of the Pre-Mobilization Period, the Mobilization and Start-Up Period and the Operating Period, Operator will perform the Services indicated on Schedule 1.

3.3 Operator to Act as Independent Contractor. Operator hereby agrees to carry out the functions of, and to act as, an independent contractor in the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

3.4 Exclusions from Services. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement or as authorized by Owner from time to time, Operator shall not:

(a) describe itself as agent or representative of Owner;

(b) pledge the credit of Owner in any way in respect of any commitments for which it has not received written authorization from Owner;

(c) make any warranty or representation relating to Owner;

(d) sell, lease, pledge, mortgage, encumber, convey, license, exchange, or make any other transfer, assignment, or disposition of the Facility or any other property or assets of Owner, other than the removal and disposal of waste material from the Site;

(e) except for Disputes between Operator and Owner arising under this Agreement, settle, compromise, assign, pledge, transfer, release, waive, or consent to the compromise, assignment, settlement, pledge, transfer, waiver, or release of, any claim, suit, debt, demand, or judgment against or due by Owner, or submit any such claim, dispute, or controversy to arbitration or judicial process, or stipulate to a judgment or consent with respect thereto;

(f) make, enter into, execute, amend, modify, or supplement any Project Contract or any other contract or agreement on behalf of, or in the name of, Owner;

(g) engage in any other transaction on behalf of, or in the name of, Owner which is not expressly permitted by this Agreement;

(h) provide administrative, financial, tax or other commercial services with respect to the business of Owner except to the extent they relate solely to the operation and maintenance of the Facility; or

(i) exercise any of the Retained Rights.

3.5 Cooperation and Coordination with EPC Contractor and Manager. Operator acknowledges that during the Pre-Mobilization Period and Mobilization and Start-Up Period the EPC Contractor shall be in control of the Facility to the extent provided in the EPC Contract, and Operator agrees that it shall cooperate with all reasonable requests made by Owner and the EPC Contractor to achieve the completion of the Facility and prepare for the commercial operation of the Facility. Where Operator is not required to perform certain services for the operation and maintenance of the Facility and such services are provided by the EPC Contractor, Operator shall coordinate with the EPC Contractor to the extent required for the performance of its obligations hereunder and the efficient operation of the Facility.

During the Operating Period, Operator agrees that it shall cooperate with the Manager to ensure that the operation and maintenance of the Facility is performed in a manner required by the Project Contracts and in accordance with this Agreement.

3.6 Risk of Loss. To the extent not covered by the EPC Contract, Operator shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Facility and shall ensure that all necessary services required to operate and maintain the Facility are properly performed in accordance with the terms hereof. Except as otherwise provided herein, Operator does not have risk of loss for the Facility, LNG or Natural Gas owned by Customers or Owner.

3.7 Standard for Performance of Obligations. In the performance of Services hereunder, Operator shall not use any tangible assets of Owner for Operator's own benefit (except in the exercise of its rights and obligations under this Agreement) or for the benefit of Operator's Affiliates (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) without the written consent of Owner which consent will not be unreasonably withheld. Based on information known to Operator at the time and subject to all contractual obligations of the Owner and Operator's obligations under this Agreement, Operator will not prioritize any interests of its Affiliates (excluding Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) in a manner adverse to Owner.

Operator shall operate and maintain the Facility and perform all the Services hereunder in accordance with:

- (a) all Applicable Laws;
- (b) all Government Approvals, including the FERC Authorization;
- (c) the Project Contracts;
- (d) the terms of Operator's and Owner's insurance policies;
- (e) the terms of this Agreement;
- (f) International LNG Terminal Standards;
- (g) the applicable Approved Operating Plan, Approved Budget, and Approved Maintenance Program;
- (h) the Standing Procedures; and
- (i) the instructions of the Manager in accordance with the terms of the Management Service Agreement.

If Operator is aware of a conflict between any of the above requirements, Operator shall inform Owner, and Owner shall promptly resolve the conflict. Prior to such resolution by Owner, Operator shall give precedence to the obligations in the priority set forth above.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in no event shall Operator be required to operate the Facility if it determines in its reasonable opinion that to do so would violate the mutually agreed upon safety or environmental standards as determined by Owner and Operator.

3.8 Government Approvals. Operator shall procure, obtain, maintain and comply with all Government Approvals, including all modifications, amendments and renewals of Governmental Approvals which may be required under any Applicable Laws for the operation and maintenance of the Facility and the performance of its obligations hereunder and which need to be procured and maintained by or in the name of Operator. Owner shall provide Operator with such assistance and cooperation as may reasonably be required in order to obtain and maintain all such Government Approvals. Operator shall provide Owner and any other Person nominated by Owner with such assistance and cooperation as may be reasonably required in order to obtain and maintain all necessary Government Approvals for the operation and maintenance of the Facility. Operator shall perform the Services, including the operation and maintenance of the Facility in accordance with the terms and conditions of the FERC Authorization and all other Government Approvals applicable to the operation and maintenance of the Facility.

3.9 Liens. Operator shall not permit any Lien to be filed or otherwise imposed on any part of the Facility or Site as a result of the performance of the Services or its engagement or employment of any Subcontractor for the performance of the Services. If any Lien is filed as a result of Operator's breach of its responsibilities hereunder, and if Operator does not within thirty (30) days of the filing of the Lien cause such Lien to be released and discharged, or file a bond satisfactory to Owner in lieu thereof, Owner shall have the right to pay all sums necessary to obtain such release and discharge such Lien. Operator shall reimburse Owner for all such costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, within five (5) days of Owner's written demand therefor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Operator shall not be responsible for any Lien filed on the Facility or Site that was permitted by, or that arises out of or was caused by the actions of, Owner.

3.10 Qualification to Operator's Obligations. Operator shall: (i) not be liable to Owner for any Loss suffered or incurred by Owner or any third Person and (ii) be indemnified and held harmless by Owner for any Loss suffered or incurred by Operator or in respect of the claims of any third Person to the extent in each such case that such Loss is as a direct result of:

(a) Operator's compliance with the terms of this Agreement or any other Project Contract;

(b) Operator's compliance with any instruction or direction given by Owner or any constraint imposed by Owner at any time upon Operator which is different from those otherwise provided by this Agreement;

(c) Owner's failure to comply with its obligations under this Agreement, including failure to make timely payment of Operating Expenses included in the Approved Operating Plan or otherwise payable in accordance with this Agreement, or any other Project Contract (unless any such obligation was to be performed by Operator pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other Project Contract), which failure has an adverse effect on Operator's ability to perform the Services except to the extent that such failure is a result of any negligence, willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement by Operator;

(d) a design, manufacturing or construction defect in the Facility or any component incorporated therein;

(e) the absence or lapse of any Government Approval, other than any absence or lapse resulting from Operator's failure to comply with its obligations under Section 3.8;

(f) a Contractor's failure to comply with its obligations under any Project Contract or any other contract between a Contractor and Owner relating to the Facility, which failure results in Operator's inability to perform its obligations hereunder, except to the extent that such failure is a result of any negligence, willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement by Operator; or

(g) lack of spare parts except to the extent that it is the result of any negligence, willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement by Operator.

ARTICLE IV. RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS OF OWNER

4.1 Owner Responsibilities. Owner shall perform and be responsible for the following ongoing activities:

- (a) providing and maintaining insurance in accordance with Section 14.1;
- (b) providing utilities reasonably required by Operator to perform the Services;

(c) providing all public relations (except for those referred to in the Services) and assist Operator, if requested, in performing all necessary public relations activities with the local community and public agencies;

- (d) contracting with the Marine Services Company;
- (e) paying Operator the amounts owed under this Agreement;

(f) complying, with Operator's assistance, with all Owner requirements in Government Approvals identified in Section 4.4;

- and
- (g) managing all loan or financing agreements.

4.2 Owner's Retained Rights. Owner shall retain all rights and powers relating to the operation and maintenance of the Facility not specifically granted to Operator under this Agreement (the "Retained Rights"), including the following rights and powers to:

- (a) review and determination of general policies and procedures not delegated to Operator;
- (b) approve of all press releases and publicity material relating to this Agreement or the Facility;

(c) approve of commitments to incur expenditures in relation to any expenditures not included in the applicable Approved Budget;

- (d) approve of any amendment to, waiver or revision of or termination of any Project Contract;
- (e) conduct or resolve any dispute in relation to any Project Contract (other than this Agreement in relation to Operator);

(f) perform (or engage a third party to perform) any obligations of Operator if Operator fails to perform such obligations hereunder (which will result in (i) a reduction in the Operating Expenses included in the Approved Operating Plan associated with such obligations equal to the reasonable costs of, or incidental to, performing (or engaging a third party to perform) such obligations and (ii) to the extent such costs exceed such Operating Expenses, a reduction in the O&M Fee paid or payable for the applicable Year equal to such excess);

(g) other than routine and ordinary course matters regarding the operation and maintenance of the Facility, notify and communicate with Government Authorities regarding the Facility;

(h) enter and inspect the Facility by Owner's employees or agents, to accompany or send prospective Customers to the Facility for review, including any environmental assessment or review, and to make repairs or improvements. Prior to such access, notice shall be given to Operator, whenever it is reasonable to do so; and

(i) provide office space for Owner's employees or agents to work, have meetings, conduct audits, investigations, entertain visitors and customers, access to high speed internet network connection, private phone line, access to copiers, fax machines, use of general office supplies, toilets, showers and kitchen facilities, and capability to reserve conference rooms.

4.3 Review and Approval. Except (i) for a request for consent to assignment of Operator's rights under this Agreement to a Person who is not an Affiliate of Operator and (ii) as expressly otherwise set forth in this Agreement, Owner shall review in a timely fashion and not unreasonably withhold its approval of all items submitted by Operator to Owner for its approval. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Approved Operating Plan, Approved Budget and Approved Maintenance Program shall govern Operator's performance of its obligations hereunder until a new such plan, program or budget is approved by Owner in accordance with Section 7.3.

4.4 Government Approvals. Owner shall procure, obtain, and maintain all Government Approvals required under any Applicable Law to be obtained in the name of Owner for the operation and maintenance of the Facility. Operator shall provide Owner with such assistance and cooperation as may reasonably be required by Owner to obtain and maintain all such Government Approvals.

ARTICLE V. O&M EMPLOYEES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF PARTIES

5.1 O&M Employees; Subcontractors. Operator and O&M Services shall identify, recruit, interview, and, subject to Owner's approval, hire or engage the O&M Employees and any Subcontractors. Operator and O&M Services shall cause all O&M Employees to be, and ensure that all persons providing services through Subcontractors are, qualified (and if required, licensed) in the duties to which they are assigned. The working hours, rates of compensation, and all other matters relating to the engagement of the O&M Employees and any Subcontractors shall be determined in accordance with any Approved Budget.

5.2 Employee Compliance with Regulations. Operator shall ensure that each O&M Employee and person providing services through a Subcontractor shall at all times comply with Applicable Laws and Governmental Approvals applicable to the Site and the regulations and safety requirements of Owner at the Site.

5.3 Representative of Operator. Operator shall appoint, subject to Owner's prior approval, a properly qualified individual to act as the representative of Operator (the "Operator's Representative"). Operator's Representative shall advise Owner on issues regarding the operation and maintenance of the Facility. Operator's Representative is authorized and empowered to act for and on behalf of Operator on all matters concerning this Agreement and its obligations hereunder, other than any amendments to or waivers under this Agreement. In all such matters, Operator shall be bound by the written communications, directions, requests, and decisions given or made by Operator's Representative (or its designee) within the scope of its responsibilities.

5.4 Representative of Owner. Owner shall appoint an individual ("Owner's Representative") to act as the representative of Owner in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Facility. Owner shall notify Operator of the identity of Owner's Representative and any individual appointed in replacement thereof. Owner's Representative shall have full authority to act on behalf of Owner in all matters concerning the operation and maintenance of the Facility and the performance of Owner's obligations under this Agreement, other than authority to agree to any amendments, modifications, or waivers of this Agreement, and except in relation to matters which Owner may from time to time by Notice to Operator reserve to itself. Owner shall, subject to the foregoing, be bound by the written communications, directions, requests, and decisions given or made by Owner's Representative within the scope of its responsibilities. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Parties acknowledge and agree that (a) Owner and Owner Representative shall act at the direction of the GP Board as determined by the LLC Agreement, (b) no approval, consent, determination, decision, waiver, consultation or other similar action of Owner, through Owner Representative or otherwise, under or with respect to this Agreement (each, an "Owner Action") shall be deemed to occur and be effective without the prior written approval of the Executive Committee (as defined in the LLC Agreement), as determined by the GP Board, the Executive Committee, (c) any notice provided to Owner by Operator in connection with the performance of Services, termination of Services, Disputes or the Operating Plan shall be provided concurrently to the GP Board, and (d) Owner shall be entitled to, and, upon request, shall, provide the GP Board with all documentation, reports and other materials received under this Agreement; provided that the GP Board may delegate its authority to direct Owner and/or approve Owner Actions in its sole discretion, subject to any limi

5.5 **Operator Employment of O&M Employees.** Operator acknowledges and agrees that all O&M Employees shall be employed by Operator or an Affiliate of Operator (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries (including Owner)). Operator will be responsible for, or arrange for, paying the salaries and all benefits of such employees, meeting all governmental liabilities with respect to such employees, and supervising and determining all job classifications, staffing levels, duties, and other terms of employment for the O&M Employees in accordance with Applicable Laws. Operator shall have full supervision and control over the O&M Employees and shall use all reasonable efforts to maintain appropriate order and discipline among its personnel and shall cause each Subcontractor to maintain similar standards with respect to such Subcontractor's personnel.

5.6 Statutory Employees for Purposes of Louisiana Worker's Compensation Act. In all cases where Operator's or any of its Affiliates' employees (defined to include the direct, borrowed, special, or statutory employees of Subcontractors of any tier) are performing Services in or offshore the state of Louisiana or are otherwise covered by the Louisiana Worker' Compensation Act, La. R.S. 23:1021, et seq., Owner and Operator agree that the Services performed by Operator, Subcontractors of any tier, and Operator's and its Affiliates', and Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees pursuant to this Agreement are an integral part of and are essential to the ability of Owner to generate Owner's goods, products, and work for the purpose of La. R.S. 23:1061A(l). Furthermore, Owner and Operator agree that Owner is the statutory employer of Operator's and its Affiliates' and Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees of Vaner to generate Owner's status as the statutory employer of Operator's and its Affiliates' and Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees of Vaner's status as the statutory or special employer (as defined in La. R.S. 23:1031(c)) of the employees of Operator and its Affiliates (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) shall be and remain at all times primarily responsible for the payment of all workers compensation and medical benefits to Operator's and its Affiliates', and Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees, and none of Operator, its Affiliates, or Subcontractors, or their respective insurers or underwriters shall be entitled to seek contribution or indemnity for any such payments from Owner or any other member of the Owner Group. Notwithstanding the foregoing, under no circumstances shall this Section 5.6 be interpreted to relieve Operator and its Affiliates or Subcontractors of any tier (whether or not such employees are a statutory, special or borrowed employee, or otherwise), including Operator's and O&M Services' obligations to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner Group fro

ARTICLE VI.

INFORMATION, REPORTS, AUDITS, RECORDS, FERC AND HOMELAND SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

6.1 Information; Project Contracts. Owner shall provide Operator with all information in Owner's possession reasonably necessary for Operator to carry out its duties hereunder.

Owner shall deliver to Operator (a) a copy of each of the Project Contracts which is currently in effect to Operator promptly after the execution of this Agreement and (b) a copy of each of the Project Contracts which are executed after the date hereof promptly after their execution. Before executing any amendment, modification or supplement to a Project Contract, or any other agreements which may affect the performance of the Services by Operator (each an "Additional Agreement"), Owner shall to the extent reasonably practicable consult with Operator to determine the impact (if any) of such Additional Agreement on any then-effective Approved Operating Plan, Approved Maintenance Program, Approved Budget, this Agreement or Operator's performance of the Services hereunder.

Within fourteen (14) days (or if additional time is required to review any Additional Agreement such longer period as may be agreed by the Parties) of receiving a proposed Additional Agreement for review, Operator shall notify Owner in writing that:

- (i) it can comply with such Additional Agreement without any amendment to this Agreement, the Services or the thencurrent Approved Operating Plan, Approved Maintenance Program or Approved Budget; or
- (ii) setting forth any proposed changes to this Agreement, the Services or the then-current Approved Operating Plan, Approved Maintenance Program or Approved Budget and specifying the reasons why such changes are necessary.

Owner may in its sole discretion, enter into the proposed Additional Agreement, on or before receipt of Notice from Operator; provided, however, that in the event that Owner receives a Notice from Operator pursuant to Section 6.1(ii) and has not incorporated each change requested by Operator into this Agreement, then (x) any Dispute relating to the need for such changes shall, following the execution and delivery of such Additional Agreement, be resolved pursuant to Article XVIII, and (y) pending resolution of such Dispute, Operator shall, subject to Section 3.10, comply with the terms and conditions of such Additional Agreement.

Owner shall cause a copy of each Additional Agreement executed and delivered by Owner to be provided to Operator within ten (10) days following execution and delivery thereof by each of the parties thereto.

6.2 Reports and Written Notices. Operator shall provide Owner with such reports as are required or reasonably requested from time to time by Owner, and shall comply with those reporting requirements prescribed by Applicable Laws or set out in the Project Contracts, the Approved Operating Plan, Approved Maintenance Program, the Standing Procedures, or any Government Approval, which are defined therein as being Operator responsibilities. If Owner requests any report, contract, agreement, arrangement, document or other information relating to or in connection with the Facility or the Services (including any Subcontracts, other third party contracts and any agreements or arrangements related thereto), Operator shall use reasonable efforts (subject to the provisions of any confidentiality or similar agreement to which Operator is a party) to attain such report, contract, agreement, arrangement, document or other information at the request of Owner and shall submit such report, contract, agreement, arrangement document or other information to Owner as soon as reasonably practicable following such request.

Owner may from time to time specify any changes to be made to any of the formats for any report or plan (including any Operating Plan, Budget or Maintenance Program) required hereunder. The relevant revised format shall be adopted by Operator with effect from the date of such revision and shall be applied in relation to the first period to which such report or plan relates commencing after receipt of Owner's Notice specifying such changes.

6.3 Cooperation With and Reporting to the FERC. Owner is required to provide regular reports and other information to the FERC. The Facility will also be subject to regular inspections by the FERC staff, and continuous monitoring by inspectors providing reports to the FERC. Operator shall assist Owner with all interfaces with the FERC as follows:

(a) Operation and maintenance procedures and manuals, as well as emergency plans and safety procedure manuals, shall be filed with the FERC prior to commissioning operations. These documents include selected Standing Procedures as listed in Schedule 4 plus other documents developed by the EPC Contractor. These documents are subject to changes recommended by the FERC and resubmittal to FERC as required by the FERC.

(b) The US Coast Guard shall be notified of any proposed revisions to the security plan and physical security of the Facility prior to commissioning the Facilities. Operator shall assist Owner in the development of these plans.

(c) Additional Site inspections and technical reviews will be held by FERC staff prior to commencement of operation of the Facility. Operator shall cooperate with Owner at all times in this regard.

(d) The Facility shall be subject to regular FERC staff technical reviews and Site inspections on at least a biennial basis or more frequently as circumstances indicate. Prior to each FERC staff technical review and Site inspection, Owner shall respond to a specific data request including information relating to possible design and operating conditions that may have been imposed by other agencies or organizations, provision of up-to-date detailed piping and instrumentation diagrams reflecting Facility modifications and provision of other pertinent information not included in the semi-annual reports described below, including Facility events that have taken place since the previously submitted annual report. Operator shall assist Owner with these FERC reviews, requests, inspections, and reports as required.

(e) Semi-annual operational reports shall be filed with the FERC to identify changes in Facility design and operating conditions, abnormal operating experiences and activities, as well as Facility modifications including future plans and progress thereof. Abnormalities should include, but not be limited to: unloading/shipping problems, potential hazardous conditions from offsite vessels, storage tank stratification or rollover, geysering, storage tank pressure excursions, cold spots on the storage tanks, storage tank vibrations and/or vibrations in associated cryogenic piping, storage tank settlement, significant equipment or instrumentation malfunctions or failures, non-scheduled maintenance or repair (and reasons therefore), relative movement of storage tank inner vessels, vapor or liquid releases, fires involving Natural Gas and/or from other sources, negative pressure (vacuum) within a storage tank and higher than predicted boil-off rates. Adverse weather conditions and the effect on the Facility also should be reported. Reports should be submitted within forty-five (45) days after each period ending June 30 and December 31. In addition, a section entitled "significant plant modifications proposed for the next 12 months (dates)" also shall be included in the semi-annual operational reports. Such information will provide the FERC staff with early notice of anticipated future construction/maintenance projects at the Facility. Operator shall develop for Owner any semi-annual operational reports that may be due during the period after the initial Substantial Completion Date.

(f) Significant non-scheduled events, including safety-related incidents (i.e., LNG or Natural Gas releases, fires, explosions, mechanical failures, unusual over pressurization, and major injuries) shall be reported to FERC staff within forty-eight (48) hours or such earlier period as required by Applicable Law. In the event an abnormality is of significant magnitude to threaten public or O&M Employee safety, cause significant property damage, or interrupt service, notification shall be made immediately, without unduly interfering with any necessary or appropriate emergency repair, alarm, or other emergency procedure. This notification practice shall be incorporated into the Facility's emergency plan. Operator shall develop for Owner any such reports that may be required during the Operating Period. Examples of reportable LNG-related incidents include:

- Fire;
- Explosion;
- Property damage exceeding \$10,000;
- Death or injury requiring hospitalization;
- Free flow of LNG for five minutes or more that results in pooling;
- Unintended movement or abnormal loading by environmental causes, such as an earthquake, landslide, or flood, that impairs the serviceability, structural integrity, or reliability of the parts of the Facility that contain, control, or process Natural Gas or LNG;
- Any crack or other material defect that impairs the structural integrity or reliability of any part of the Facility that contains, controls, or processes Natural Gas or LNG;
- Any malfunction or operating error that causes the pressure of a pipeline or a part of the Facility that contains or processes Natural Gas or LNG to rise above its maximum allowable operating pressure (or working pressure for the Facility) plus the build-up allowed for operation of pressure limiting or control devices;
- A leak in a part of the Facility that contains or processes Natural Gas or LNG that constitutes an emergency;
- Inner tank leakage, ineffective insulation, or frost heave that impairs the structural integrity of an LNG storage tank;
- Any safety-related condition that could lead to an imminent hazard and cause (either directly or indirectly by remedial action of Operator), for purposes other than abandonment, a twenty percent (20%) reduction in operating pressure or shutdown of operation of a pipeline or a part of the Facility that contains or processes Natural Gas or LNG;

- Safety-related incidents to LNG trucks or LNG Vessels occurring at the Facility; or
- Any other significant non-scheduled event which in the judgment of Operator's or Owner's personnel and/or management should be reported even though it did not meet the above criteria or the guidelines set forth in the Facility's incident management plan.

In the event of an incident, the FERC has authority to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure operational reliability and to protect human life, health, property or the environment, including authority to direct the Facility to cease operations. Following the initial notification, FERC staff will determine the need for Owner to file a separate follow-up report or follow-up in the upcoming semi-annual operational report. All follow-up reports should include investigation results and recommendations to minimize a reoccurrence of the incident. Operator shall develop for Owner any such reports that may be required if the incident occurred after the initial Substantial Completion Date.

6.4 Notice of Certain Matters. Upon obtaining knowledge thereof, Operator shall submit to Owner prompt Notice of:

(a) any litigation or claims, disputes, or actions, pending or threatened, concerning the Facility, any Project Contract, or the Services to be performed hereunder;

(b) any lapse or termination of any Government Approval, or any refusal or threatened refusal to grant, renew, or extend, or any action pending or threatened that might affect the granting, renewal, or extension of any Government Approval;

- (c) any dispute with, or notice of violation or penalty issued by, any Government Authority; or
- (d) any other material information regarding the Facility.

6.5 Notice of Other Matters. Operator also shall provide Notice to Owner of the matters described below within the time period specified for each matter:

(a) Operator shall provide Notice to Owner as soon as possible in the event of any equipment failure which will require an expenditure of greater than \$5,000,000;

(b) Operator will provide prompt Notice to Owner regarding any material deviations from the Approved Operating Plan;

(c) With respect to any equipment procured by Operator on behalf of Owner, Operator shall deliver a copy of any relevant Manufacturer's Recommendations or other industry information to Owner as soon as reasonably practicable following receipt thereof by Operator;

(d) Operator shall provide Notice as soon as possible of the violation of any Government Approval or Applicable Law in the operation and maintenance of the Facility; and

(e) Operator shall provide Owner with safety incident reports within three (3) Days of the occurrence of any safety incident except for any safety incident involving a significant non-scheduled event such as LNG or Natural Gas releases, fires, explosions, mechanical failures, unusual over-pressurizations or major injuries which shall be provided to Owner within eight (8) hours of the occurrence of such incident; provided, however, notification shall be provided to Owner immediately if the incident is of significant magnitude to threaten public or O&M Employee safety, cause significant property damage or interrupt the operation of the Facility.

6.6 Books and Records. Operator shall maintain, in accordance with International LNG Terminal Standards, complete, accurate, and up-to-date records, books, and accounts relating to the operation and maintenance of the Facility, and as necessary to verify (i) the incurring and payment of all capital and operating expenditures, and (ii) Operator's performance of its obligations hereunder. All financial books, records and accounts maintained by Operator shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and shall be in a format sufficient to permit the verification referred to above. Operator shall retain all such books and records for five (5) years or longer if required by Applicable Laws.

6.7 Audits. Owner or its designee shall have the right at its own expense to carry out audit tasks of a financial, technical, or other nature in relation to the operation and maintenance of the Facility once each Year upon not less than thirty (30) days (or such shorter period if required by Applicable Law) prior Notice to Operator. Operator shall make available, at the Site or at Operator's home office location, to Owner or its designee, and Owner or its designee shall have the right to review, all contracts, books, records, and other documents relating to the Services provided by Operator, and Owner or its respective designee may make such copies thereof or extracts therefrom as Owner or such designee may deem appropriate. Operator shall use reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things required to be done, in connection with any financial report prepared by or on behalf of Owner, including preparing for or providing to Owner reports, certificates, schedules, and opinions.

6.8 Requirements of Department of Homeland Security.

(a) <u>Facility Security Plan</u>. Owner is subject to the requirements found in 33 C.F.R. Part 105, and is required to develop and submit a Facility Security Plan ("FSP") to the cognizant Coast Guard Captain of the Port ("COTP") for review and approval. All submitted security plans will be initially reviewed by a contractor at the National FSP Review Center. Final FSP review and approval will be made by the cognizant COTP. Owner will submit the FSP to the COTP approximately twelve (12) months prior to Ready for Start Up of the Facility so that adequate time is available for review and revision and for training of personnel. Operator shall assist Owner in the development of this FSP as required. The EPC Contractor will structure all training programs for Owner to comply with the FSP. O&M Employees shall be trained to comply with the FSP.

(b) <u>Facility Security Assessment</u>. Owner is required to develop a Facility Security Assessment ("FSA") which addresses "response procedures for fire or other emergency response conditions" (33 C.F.R. 105.305(a)(2)). The US Coast Guard also requires an emergency manual for LNG terminals in accordance with 33 C.F.R. 127.307. The emergency manual will be prepared and submitted to the COTP, along with the operations manual required by 33 C.F.R. 127.305, for approval before the Facility can be placed in service. Operator shall assist Owner in the development of the FSA and the emergency manual.

(c) <u>Vessel Security Plan</u>. 33 C.F.R. 105.240 requires that Owner address measures for interfacing with vessels calling at the Facility. Those measures will be identified in the FSA and will be included in the FSP. Each vessel calling at the Facility will also have a vessel security plan. Operator security personnel on behalf of Owner will coordinate Facility activities with the Marine Services Company and the operators of the vessels. It is anticipated that the COTP will establish a moving safety zone around the LNG Vessels while underway and a stationary safety zone around the moored LNG Vessels at the Facility. Except as authorized by the COTP, all vessels other than those attending the LNG Vessel will be excluded from the safety zone area. To the extent deemed necessary by the COTP, the Marine Services Company, in concert with the vessel operators, will provide waterside security patrols to assist the COTP is appropriate, usually in response to a specific known or perceived threat, the Marine Services Company will confer with the COTP and provide any additional forces necessary to meet the security goals established at that time. Operator shall assist the Marine Services Company in coordinating all vessels calling on the Facility during the Operating Period and shall comply with all requirements of the FSP, the appropriate vessel security plan, safety zone requirements, and all other directions of the COTP.

ARTICLE VII.

MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, OPERATING PLANS AND BUDGETS

7.1 Maintenance Program. Not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days before the initial Substantial Completion Date for the Facility and, thereafter, at the same time as it submits each new Operating Plan for the Facility, Operator shall prepare and submit to Owner for its approval, as a part of the Operating Plan, Operator's proposed Maintenance Program for the following Operating Year. The Maintenance Program shall be comprised of a timetable of the proposed number of hours of maintenance and the timing of such maintenance, and shall contain such terms and conditions as required to enable the Facility to comply with Owner's obligations under the Project Contracts. The proposed Maintenance Program will be submitted to Owner for its approval in accordance with the provision of Section 7.3 in conjunction with the approval of the Operating Plan for the Facility. Except as provided in Article XVII, no changes shall be made to the Approved Maintenance Program dy Operator without the prior written approval of Owner. However, following the establishment of the Approved Maintenance Program, Owner and Operator may agree to amendments to the Approved Maintenance Program and Operator shall incorporate such amendments into the Approved Maintenance Program promptly after receiving notification from Owner of such amendments.

7.2 Operating Plans and Budgets.

(a) **Pre-Mobilization Period**. The Operating Plan shall include (and each amendment thereto shall include) a program and timetable for the performance of Operator's obligations under Article III and a Budget for the Pre-Mobilization Period and shall only relate to the Services provided under this Agreement. The Budget shall show (and any amendment thereto shall show), in such detail reasonably acceptable to Owner and on a Month by Month basis, an itemized estimate of the amount of each Operating Expense to be incurred in the implementation of the Operating Plan by Operator. The Budget shall include (and each amendment thereto shall include) reasonable detail regarding each expense category set out in Part 2 of Schedule 2 or shall be in such other form as Owner may reasonably request.

(b) **Mobilization and Start-Up Period**. Not later than sixty (60) Days prior to the commencement of the Mobilization and Start-Up Period, Operator shall prepare and submit to Owner, or update and revise, if previously submitted to Owner, Operator's proposed Operating Plan for the Mobilization and Start-Up Period. This Operating Plan shall include a program and timetable for the performance of Operator's obligations under Article III and a Budget for the Mobilization and Start-Up Period and shall only relate to the Services provided under this Agreement. The Budget shall show, in such detail reasonably acceptable to Owner and on a Month by Operator. The Budget shall include reasonable detail regarding each expense category set out in Part 2 of Schedule 2 or shall be in such other form as Owner may reasonably request.

(c) **Operating Period**. Not later than forty-five (45) days before the beginning of each Operating Year, Operator shall prepare and submit to Owner Operator's proposed Operating Plan for the Facility for the following Operating Year. Each Operating Plan shall be prepared so as to comply and be consistent with Operator's obligations set out in Article III and shall only relate to the Services provided under this Agreement. Each Operating Plan shall show, in such detail reasonably required by Owner, and on a Month-by-Month basis, all relevant information relating to the anticipated operation and on-going maintenance of the Facility by Operator, including the relevant information listed in Part 1 of Schedule 2. Together with each proposed Operating Plan submitted to Owner for an Operating Year, Operator shall prepare and submit to Owner a proposed Budget for the Facility for that Operating Year, which shall only relate to the Services provided under this Agreement. The Budget shall show, in such detail reasonably required by Owner and on a Month-by-Month basis, an itemized estimate of the amount of each Operating Expense to be incurred in the implementation of the Operating Plan for the Facility in that Operating Year by Operator. The Budget shall include reasonable detail regarding each expense category set out in Part 2 of Schedule 2 or shall be in such other form as Owner may reasonably request.

(d) **Determination of Operating Plan and Budget**. Operator acknowledges and agrees that no future Operating Plan shall require payment or reimbursement of, whether as Operating Expenses or otherwise, any costs and expenses (A) incurred by Operator or its Affiliates in or with respect to any Applicable Period (or, after the initial Substantial Completion Date, any applicable Operating Year) prior to the Applicable Period (or, after the initial Substantial Completion Date, the Operating Year) to which the Operating Plan relates, (B) except for equity or equity-based compensation to O&M Employees set forth in the Approved Budget, related to equity or equity-based compensation based on or otherwise related to Equity Securities (as defined in the Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., as may be amended from time to time), (C) except for cash incentive compensation to O&M Employees set forth in the

Approved Budget, related to cash incentive compensation, (D) payable or otherwise related to any senior officer of Cheniere Energy, Inc., (E) related to or otherwise in connection with the Crest Royalty Agreement (as defined in the Agreement of Limited Partnership of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., as may be amended from time to time), (F) allocating corporate overhead or administrative costs of or related to any member of the Operator Group (including costs associated with investor and public relations; accounting, finance and tax functions; human resources; business development efforts; sales and marketing; office space; third party professional, audit and legal expenses; travel and entertainment; telecommunications; computers and office equipment; insurance; and taxes), (G) included as a direct cost for purposes of calculating Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit (as defined in the CMI SPA) or included as an indirect cost for purposes of calculating Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs (as defined in the CMI SPA), (H) of compensation of personnel providing services pursuant to the Management Services Agreement, (I) except for plant-level information technology, of software licenses and similar technology-related expenses to support trading, risk management, gas procurement and LNG sales and marketing, (J) except to the extent approved in the Risk Management Policy, of LNG Vessels, or (K) which results in Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries paying twice for the same service provided pursuant to this Agreement, or arrangement.

7.3 Approval of Operating Plans, Budgets, and Maintenance Program. Upon receipt by Owner of a proposed Operating Plan, Owner shall consider the proposed Operating Plan and the corresponding Budget and Maintenance Program and, within thirty (30) Days after such receipt, shall in its discretion either provide its written approval of the proposed Operating Plan, Budget, or Maintenance Program or request specific amendments to be made thereto. If Owner does not request any amendments within said thirty (30) Day period, the Operating Plan and the corresponding Budget and Maintenance Program shall be deemed approved. During such period, Operator shall promptly provide to Owner all supplemental information as may be reasonably requested by Owner and, at the request of Owner, shall meet with Owner to explain and discuss the proposed Operating Plan, Budget, and Maintenance Program for the Facility

From the Effective Date until the initial issuance of the Class B Units in Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. to Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, any operating plans and budgets under this Agreement shall be interim and subject to review at the determination of the GP Board.

7.4 **Changes in Plans or Budgets**. If Owner requests an amendment to a proposed Operating Plan, Budget, or Maintenance Program for the Facility, the Parties shall seek to incorporate such requests through the following procedure:

(a) Operator shall, within a reasonable time after its receipt of such request, submit to Owner a revised Operating Plan (including a revised Budget and, if applicable, a revised Maintenance Program) incorporating the amendments requested by Owner, other than any such amendments which, in the reasonable and professional opinion of Operator, will prevent its ability to perform the Services in accordance with Article III. When submitting the revised Operating Plan to Owner, Operator shall identify any amendments requested by Owner which have not been incorporated into such amended Operating Plan, together with its reasons therefor.

(b) Within a reasonable time after its receipt of any revised Operating Plan, Budget, or Maintenance Program, Owner shall either provide its written approval of the same or notify Operator of the amendments which it wishes to make together with its reasons therefor. If Owner requests amendments, Owner and Operator shall attempt to resolve all outstanding issues within thirty (30) Days after receipt by Operator of Owner's notification of amendments to the revised Operating Plan, Budget, or Maintenance Program.

(c) If no agreement can be reached on the proposed Operating Plan, Budget, or Maintenance Program, or any item therein, within a reasonable time, the matters in dispute shall be referred to the senior management of Owner and Operator for resolution and the undisputed matters shall be deemed approved. If such Dispute is not resolved within fifteen (15) days of the date of such referral, the proposed Operating Plan, Budget and Maintenance Program as modified pursuant to the instructions and directions of Owner shall be adopted as the "Approved Operating Plan," "Approved Budget," and "Approved Maintenance Program" for the applicable Operating Year, Pre-Mobilization Period or Mobilization and Start-Up Period, as the case may be.

(d) Upon approval by the Parties, or the adoption by Owner, of any Operating Plan, Budget, and Maintenance Program for the Facility, Operator shall thereupon be obligated to carry out the work included in the Approved Operating Plan and Approved Maintenance Program in accordance with the timetable and other parameters included therein and in accordance with the financial parameters included in the corresponding Approved Budget; provided, that if Operator has notified Owner in writing of any Dispute regarding such Approved Operating Plan, Approved Maintenance Program or Approved Budget but Owner has adopted such plan, program or budget without resolving such Dispute, Operator's obligations hereunder with respect to performing such disputed matter shall be subject to the terms and conditions of Section 3.10.

7.5 Monthly Meetings; Modification of Operating Plan. Operator's and Owner's Representatives shall, if requested by either Party, meet on the fifteenth (15th) day of each Month, or if such day is not a business day, the first business day thereafter, to review and discuss:

(a) the Billing Report for the Facility for the preceding Month, as submitted by Operator pursuant to Section 8.6; and

(b) any proposed adjustments in the relevant Approved Operating Plan, Approved Budget, or Approved Maintenance Program for the Facility to reflect:

(i) any changes in assumptions in the Approved Operating Plan, Approved Budget, or Approved Maintenance Program which might be desirable in the light of the performance of the Facility;

(ii) any other material change in circumstance or assumption in the Approved Operating Plan, Approved Budget, or Approved Maintenance Program; or

(iii) any changes to the Services specified in the Approved Operating Plan, Approved Budget, or Approved Maintenance Program.

The Parties shall seek to agree upon (i) each expenditure incurred by Operator in the immediately preceding Month which varies from the Operating Expenses set forth in the Approved Budget for such Month, and (ii) proposed adjustments, if any, to be made to the Approved Operating Plan, in each case on or before the twentieth (20th) day of such Month. If the Parties cannot reach agreement on or before the twentieth (20th) day of the Month, any Dispute shall be referred to dispute resolution in accordance with Article XVIII. Any adjustment to the Approved Operating Plan as agreed to by the Parties or resolved in accordance with Article XVIII shall be incorporated into the relevant Approved Operating Plan and such adjustment shall become effective for purposes of this Agreement from the date of Owner approval thereof (or resolution of such Dispute pursuant to Article XVIII, if applicable) and shall be applied to the first period to which such adjustment relates following such approval or resolution.

7.6 Deviation. Operator shall notify Owner promptly (a) of any material deviations or discrepancies from the projections contained in any applicable Approved Operating Plan, (b) if Operator reasonably anticipates that the Operating Expenses may materially exceed the Operating Expenses set forth in the Approved Budget, or (c) of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, change in Applicable Law, or other event or circumstance beyond the reasonable control of Operator which occurs and which results in an increase in costs to Operator in performing its obligations hereunder.

ARTICLE VIII. RESPONSIBILITY FOR COSTS AND EXPENSES

8.1 Owner and Operator Responsibility; Procurement of Materials and Services. Owner shall pay, or reimburse Operator for, all Operating Expenses. Operator is specifically authorized, as provided in a relevant Approved Budget, to procure materials and services as agent for and in the name of Owner, for which Owner shall pay the vendors of such materials and services, or at Owner's election, reimburse Operator for such materials and services. All invoices for materials and services procured under this Section 8.1 shall designate Owner as the purchaser of such materials and services.

8.2 Operating Expenses. "Operating Expenses" shall mean, except as limited pursuant to Section 7.2(d), the aggregate of all costs and expenses incurred (and substantiated by copies of receipts or other evidence acceptable to Owner) by Operator which are directly related to the performance of the Services or in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Facility <u>less</u> all sales and use Tax rebates relating to the Facility and the construction thereof that any member of the Operator Group receives and that have not been paid to Owner pursuant to Section 8.8, and, except as limited pursuant to Section 7.2(d), shall include:

(a) Labor Costs;

(b) the cost of spares, tools, equipment, consumables, materials, chemicals, catalysts, and supplies (other than Natural Gas) procured in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;

- (c) the cost of Subcontract labor or services procured in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;
- (d) capital expenditures and maintenance expenses incurred in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;
- (e) the cost of information technology;

(f) the cost of any insurance premiums paid by Operator with respect to the insurance obtained and maintained by Operator pursuant to Section 14.2; provided that to the extent that Operator is liable under this Agreement for a Loss covered by insurance, any deductible amount under any such insurance shall not be an Operating Expense;

(g) the cost of office space, furnishings, equipment and supplies as well as the cost of copies, postage, telephone, and facsimile transmissions;

- (h) the cost of transportation, travel, and relocation of O&M Employees;
- (i) all Taxes chargeable with respect to the operation and maintenance of the Facility in accordance with Section 8.8;
- (j) the cost of recruiting and training O&M Employees; and
- (k) all other costs reasonably incurred in the performance of Operator's duties under this Agreement.

8.3 Limitations. Except as provided in the following sentence, Operator shall have no authority to undertake any transaction or incur any expenditure in the name of or on behalf of Owner or otherwise, which is not part of or which exceeds any level specified in the thencurrent Approved Budget, unless approved in writing by Owner. Operator shall be entitled to incur any expenditure which is not part of or which exceeds any level specified in an Approved Budget if:

(a) such expenditure is necessary to remedy an Emergency and is otherwise incurred in compliance with Article XVII; or

(b) such type of expenditure is contemplated by an Approved Budget as it applies to a particular Month in an Operating Year, and such expenditure or expenditures with respect to the same activity:

- (i) is less than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000);
- (ii) does not result in Operator exceeding the applicable Monthly total for such Approved Budget by more than ten percent (10%); and
- (iii) in the reasonable judgment of Operator, does not result in Operator exceeding the total amount of the Approved Budget for such Operating Year, as such Approved Budget may be adjusted from time-to-time during such Operating Year pursuant to Section 7.5.

8.4 O&M Account. Operator has established with a bank in its own name an account for receipt of deposits (the "O&M Account") for the purpose of paying Operating Expenses. Owner shall fund the O&M Account in accordance with Section 8.5. The O&M Account shall be the primary source for the payment of Operating Expenses hereunder, and Operator shall draw funds from such account to pay Operating Expenses.

Operator shall nominate individuals, to be approved by Owner, who shall have the written authority to sign checks against the O&M Account within limits to be agreed between Owner and Operator. Interest earned on the O&M Account shall accrue for the benefit of Owner and shall be used by Operator only for the payment of Operating Expenses incurred in accordance with the terms hereof.

8.5 Estimated Operating Expenses. On or promptly following the Effective Date, Operator shall submit to Owner an estimate of the amount of Operating Expenses to be incurred (on a cash basis) during the then current and immediately succeeding Month, with reasonable detail regarding the expected nature and estimated amount of each such Operating Expense. Not later than the fifteenth (15th) day of each Month thereafter during the Applicable Period, Operator shall prepare and submit in writing to Owner an estimate of the total amount of Operating Expenses to be incurred (on a cash basis) during the immediately succeeding Month, with reasonable detail regarding the expected nature and estimated amount of each such Operating Expense. Owner shall ensure sufficient funds are available in the O&M Account to meet the estimated Operating Expenses for the immediately succeeding Month. Operator shall not be obligated to advance its own funds to the O&M Account for the payment of Operating Expenses. If such Monthly estimate is less than or greater than the Actual Operating Expenses for such Month, with reasonable detail regarding the expected nature and estimated amount of each such Operating Expenses in respect of the next Monthly estimate is less than or greater than the Actual Operating Expenses for such Month, the difference shall be taken into account when Operator submits its estimate for Operating Expenses. Operator shall document all reconciliations in writing, and with reasonable detail regarding the nature and estimated amount of each Operating Expense incurred and shall provide Owner with copies thereof.

8.6 Billing Reports; Invoices. As soon as practicable after the end of each Month, but in any case within thirty (30) days after the end of each Month, Operator shall provide Owner with a Billing Report for the Facility setting forth the Services provided to the Facility, the Actual Operating Expenses incurred during such Month, with reasonable detail regarding the nature and amount of each such Actual Operating Expense, and a comparison between the amount of each Actual Operating Expense incurred during such Month. Each Billing Report shall only be with respect to this Agreement and the Actual Operating Expenses hereunder (and shall exclude any costs and expenses related to any other operation and maintenance agreement or any management service or similar agreement or arrangement) and shall be accompanied by reasonable detail to verify the Actual



Operating Expenses were properly incurred, including appropriate time records, receipts, cost accounting coding, and other information as Owner may reasonably request. Concurrently with each Billing Report, Operator shall also provide Owner with an invoice, payable by Owner within thirty (30) days of receipt, reflecting:

(a) fees due under Article IX; and

(b) the Operating Expenses in that Month for the Facility (i) included in the Approved Budget or otherwise permitted under Section 8.3 and (ii) to the extent not already paid by Owner.

8.7 Budget Reconciliation. As soon as practicable following the end of each Month, but in any case within thirty (30) days after the end of each Month, Operator shall provide Owner with a detailed reconciliation report which shall set forth (a) the difference between the total amount of all Actual Operating Expenses incurred during such Month for the Facility and the Operating Expenses which were projected to be incurred during such Month in the Approved Budget for the Facility, (b) the actual amount incurred for each line item in and the amount of each line item in the Approved Budget for the Facility in that Month, and (c) the reasons for such deviations. In Operator's final Billing Report submitted after the end of the term of this Agreement, Operator shall set forth a final reconciliation of the items described in this Section 8.7 and any other items due or payable under this Agreement.

8.8 Taxes.

(a) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Operator shall be responsible for the payment of any income, franchise or similar tax assessed or based upon the gross or net income of Operator and Owner shall be responsible for the payment of any income, franchise or similar tax assessed or based upon the gross or net income of Owner.

(b) If any Tax (other than payroll or other employee-related Taxes) is chargeable to Operator in respect of Operating Expenses, including the supply of goods and services hereunder to or by Operator, Owner shall pay such Tax directly to the appropriate Government Authority, or, at Owner's election reimburse Operator for such Tax. Operator and O&M Services shall, following consultation with Owner's Representative, apply for any exemption available to it in respect of any Tax payable by Operator or O&M Services.

(c) O&M Services shall participate in the Quality Jobs Program, abide by all legal and administrative requirements of the Quality Jobs Program and timely submit all Quality Jobs Program tax rebate filings to the appropriate Louisiana governmental authorities. Operator shall cooperate with O&M Services to ensure O&M Services abides by all legal and administrative requirements of the Quality Jobs Program and timely submits all Quality Jobs Program tax rebate filings to the appropriate Louisiana governmental authorities. Operator shall pay any tax rebate amounts received pursuant to the Secondment Agreement to Owner within five business days of having received such rebates.

9.1 Fees During Pre-Mobilization Period and Mobilization and Start-Up Period. From and after the Effective Date, for Services performed by Operator during the Pre-Mobilization Period and the Mobilization and Start-Up Period, Owner shall pay Operator, in addition to the reimbursement of Operating Expenses pursuant to Article VIII, a monthly fee equal to zero point six percent (0.6%) of the capital expenditures in the previous Month (the "Pre-Operating Fee") which shall be payable in arrears on the date specified in Section 8.6; provided that no monthly fee under this Section 9.1 shall be payable with respect to any capital expenditures related to any Train after all payments under the EPC Contract by Owner with respect to such Train have been made.

9.2 Fees During the Operating Period. Following the Substantial Completion of each Train, for Services performed by Operator during the Operating Period, Owner shall pay Operator in addition to the reimbursement of Operating Expenses pursuant to Article VIII, a fixed monthly fee of eighty-three thousand three hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents (\$83,333.33) (as Indexed) for Services with respect to such Train (the "O&M Fee"). The O&M Fee shall be payable in arrears on each date specified in Section 8.6 during the Operating Period. The O&M Fee shall be prorated for any partial Month based upon the number of days Services have been provided for the applicable Train(s) in such Month.

ARTICLE X. FORCE MAJEURE AND CAPACITY CHARGE SHORTFALL

10.1 Nonperformance. Neither Party shall be in default in the performance of any of its obligations under this Agreement or liable to the other Party for failing to perform its obligations hereunder (other than the obligation to pay money when due, as adjusted and/or limited pursuant to Section 10.3) to the extent prevented by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event; provided that, upon a Force Majeure Event that is a Labor Dispute, Operator shall use commercially reasonable efforts to resolve such Labor Dispute as soon as reasonably practicable.

10.2 Obligation to Diligently Cure Force Majeure. The Party affected by a Force Majeure Event shall:

(a) provide prompt Notice to the other Party of the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event, which Notice shall provide details with respect to the circumstances constituting the Force Majeure Event, an estimate of its expected duration, and the probable impact on the affected Party's performance of its obligations hereunder;

- (b) use all reasonable efforts to continue to perform its obligations hereunder;
- (c) take all reasonable action to correct or cure the event or condition constituting the Force Majeure Event;

(d) use all reasonable efforts to mitigate or limit the adverse effects of the Force Majeure Event and damages to the other Party, to the extent such action would not adversely affect its own interests; and

(e) provide prompt Notice to the other Party of the cessation of the Force Majeure Event.

10.3 Effect of Continued Event of Force Majeure or Capacity Charge Shortfall. Following the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event or the continuance of a Capacity Charge Shortfall Period, Operator (a) shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate or limit the amount of Operating Expenses until the effects of the Force Majeure Event are remedied or such Capacity Charge Shortfall Period has ended, (b) shall consult with Owner with respect to its plans to mitigate or limit such Operating Expenses, (c) shall reduce or eliminate the O&M Fee as appropriate to reflect modifications to levels of Services provided, and (d) shall take such actions as are reasonably directed by Owner after consultation with Operator. Owner shall continue to pay such reduced O&M Fee and Operating Expenses as provided herein.

ARTICLE XI.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

11.1 **Operator Events of Default**. The following circumstances shall constitute events of default on the part of Operator ("Operator Events of Default") under this Agreement:

(a) the bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution, or cessation of the business of Operator;

(b) Operator fails to obtain and maintain insurance required to be obtained and maintained by it under this Agreement which failure continues for thirty (30) Days after Operator's receipt of Notice of such failure from Owner;

(c) Operator assigns its rights under this Agreement except as permitted hereunder;

(d) Operator ceases to provide all Services (as may be amended pursuant to Section 3.1) required to be performed by it hereunder for ten (10) consecutive days except as required or permitted hereunder; or

(e) a material failure by Operator to perform its obligations hereunder (including the performing of Services (as may be amended pursuant to Section 3.1)) which continues for thirty (30) Days after Operator's receipt of Notice of such failure from Owner which Notice shall include Owner's recommendation for a cure of such failure, unless Operator commences to cure such failure within said thirty (30) Days and cures such failure within seventy-five (75) Days after its receipt of the aforesaid Notice.

11.2 Owner Events of Default. The following circumstances shall constitute events of default on the part of Owner ("Owner Events of Default") under this Agreement:

(a) the bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution, or cessation of the business of Owner;

(b) a material failure by Owner to perform its obligations hereunder which continues for thirty (30) Days after Owner's receipt of Notice of such failure, unless Owner commences to cure such failure within said thirty (30) Days and either cures or continues to diligently attempt the cure of such failure; or

(c) a default by Owner in its payment obligations to Operator, unless Owner has cured such breach within thirty (30) days from receipt of Notice from Operator.

11.3 Remedies. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Operator Event of Default, Owner shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to do any or all of the following: (a) terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 11.4; (b) obtain specific performance of Operator's obligations hereunder; (c) perform (or engage a third party to perform) Operator's obligations hereunder in exchange for (i) a reduction in the Operating Expenses included in the Approved Operating Plan associated with such obligations equal to the reasonable costs of, or incidental to, performing (or engaging a third party to perform) such obligations and (ii) to the extent such costs exceed such Operating Expenses included in the Approved Operating Plan, a reduction in the O&M Fee paid or payable for the applicable year equal to such excess); and (d) subject to Article XVIII, pursue any and all other remedies available at law or in equity. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Owner Event of Default, Operator shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to do any or all of the following: (A) terminate this Agreement; and (B) subject to Article XVIII, pursue any and all other remedies available at law or in equity.

11.4 Termination Procedure. In the event of an Operator Event of Default or Owner Event of Default, the non-defaulting Party may give a Notice of termination to the other Party (a "Termination Notice") which shall specify in reasonable detail the circumstances giving rise to the Termination Notice. This Agreement shall terminate on the date specified in the Termination Notice ("Termination Date"), which date shall not be earlier than the date upon which the applicable Party is entitled to effect such termination as provided herein.

11.5 Termination for Convenience. In the event that with the consent or request of the Supermajority Lenders under the Credit Agreement, the Collateral Agent exercises any rights of a secured creditor with respect to the Collateral, then the Collateral Agent shall have the right with the consent of the Supermajority Lenders at any time prior to the end of six months after the first exercise of such rights of a secured creditor to direct Owner to terminate Operator for convenience by giving Operator six months' Notice of such termination.

11.6 Successor to Operator. Upon receipt of a Termination Notice from Owner:

(a) Operator shall use all reasonable efforts to facilitate the appointment and commencement of duties of any Person to be appointed by Owner to provide administrative and advisory services in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Facility (the "Successor Operator") so as not to disrupt the normal operation and maintenance of the Facility and shall provide full access to the Facility and to all relevant information, data, and records relating thereto to the Successor Operator and its representatives, and accede to all reasonable requests made by such Persons in connection with preparing for taking over the operation and maintenance of the Facility.

(b) Promptly after termination, Operator shall deliver to (and shall, with effect from termination, hold in trust for and to the order of) Owner or to the Successor Operator all property in its possession or under its control owned by Owner or leased or licensed to Owner. All spares, supplies, consumables, special tools, operating logs, books, records, operation and maintenance manuals, and any other items furnished as part of the Services hereunder or at direct cost to Owner shall be left at the Site.

(c) Operator, to the extent allowed by such agreements and approvals, shall transfer to the Successor Operator, as from the date of termination, its rights as Operator under all contracts entered into by it, and all Government Approvals obtained and maintained by it, in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement or relating to the operation and maintenance of the Facility. Pending such transfer, Operator shall hold its rights and interests thereunder for the account and to the order of Owner, Successor Operator, or Owner's designee. Owner shall indemnify Operator for all liabilities incurred by Operator under such contracts to the extent that such liabilities are caused by Owner, the Successor Operator, or Owner's designee, as applicable. Operator shall execute all documents and take all other commercially reasonable actions to assign and vest in Owner all rights, benefits, interest, and title in connection with such contracts.

(d) Upon Notice from Owner to Operator on or prior to the Termination Date, for a period of up to ninety (90) days following the Termination Date, Operator shall provide the services of its O&M Employees as may be required or reasonably requested by Owner to enable Owner to operate and maintain Facility and train any Successor Operator. The Notice invoking this provision may be included in the Termination Notice provided in Section 11.4, and shall provide Owner's good faith estimate of how many days Operator's services will be required post-Termination Date, up to the ninety (90) days specified herein. Subject to any limitations set forth herein, Operator's Operating Expenses, as set forth in the then-current Approved Operating Budget or as otherwise reasonably incurred and agreed by the Parties in connection with the transition, shall be paid by Owner and additionally, Owner shall pay Operator, for the period for which Owner requests Operator to provide Services hereunder, the Pre-Operating Fee or the O&M Fee, as applicable, prorated for any partial Month, based upon the number of days elapsed in such Month.

11.7 Survival of Certain Provisions. The obligations of the Parties in Articles XI, XII, XIII, XVI and XVIII and Sections 21.9, 21.10 and, 21.11 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XII. INDEMNIFICATION

12.1 Loss or Damage to the Facility. O&M Services shall be responsible for any physical loss or damage to the Facility resulting from Operator's or O&M Services' gross negligence or willful misconduct in the course of the performance of its obligations under this Agreement or the Secondment Agreement to the extent related thereto, in an amount not to exceed for any such loss or damage incurred during a given Year the greater of (i) the applicable deductible under Owner's physical damage insurance policies that covers such loss or damage or (ii) the fees paid to Operator under Article IX for such Year plus a withholding of any fees remaining to be paid for such Year.

12.2 O&M Services Indemnity. <u>TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, O&M SERVICES SHALL</u> DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE OWNER GROUP FROM AND AGAINST ALL DAMAGES, LOSSES, COSTS AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING ALL REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND LITIGATION OR ARBITRATION EXPENSES) ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM OR RELATED TO (I) INJURY TO OR DEATH OF ANY MEMBER OF THE OPERATOR GROUP OR (II) DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY OF ANY MEMBER OF THE OPERATOR GROUP OCCURRING IN CONNECTION WITH THE SERVICES, REGARDLESS OF THE CAUSE OF SUCH INJURY, DEATH, PHYSICAL DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, INCLUDING THE SOLE OR JOINT NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OTHER BASIS OF LIABILITY OF ANY MEMBER OF THE OWNER GROUP.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, O&M Services shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Owner Group against any and all Losses of whatever kind and nature, including all related costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, in respect of personal injury to or death of third parties and in respect of loss of or damage to any third party property to the extent that the same arises out of:

(a) without duplication, any breach by Operator of its obligations hereunder or O&M Services of its obligations under the Secondment Agreement;

- (b) any negligent act or omission on the part of Operator or O&M Services; and
- (c) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of Operator or O&M Services.

Any indemnification payable by O&M Services to Owner hereunder shall be net of any insurance proceeds received by Owner under Owner's insurance policies with respect to the circumstances giving rise to O&M Services' indemnification of Owner hereunder.

12.3 Owner Indemnity. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, OWNER SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE OPERATOR GROUP FROM AND AGAINST ALL DAMAGES, LOSSES, COSTS AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING ALL REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND LITIGATION OR ARBITRATION EXPENSES) ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM OR RELATED TO (I) INJURY TO OR DEATH OF ANY MEMBER OF THE OWNER GROUP OR (II) DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY OF OWNER GROUP (EXCLUDING THE FACILITY) OCCURRING IN CONNECTION WITH THE SERVICES, REGARDLESS OF THE CAUSE OF SUCH INJURY, DEATH, PHYSICAL DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, INCLUDING THE SOLE OR JOINT NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OTHER BASIS OF LIABILITY OF ANY MEMBER OF THE OPERATOR GROUP.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Owner shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Operator against any and all claims for Losses of whatever kind and nature, including all related costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, in respect of personal injury to or death of third parties and in respect of loss of or damage to any third party property to the extent that the same arises out of:

- (a) any breach by Owner of its obligations hereunder;
- (b) any negligent act or omission on the part of Owner; and
- (c) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of Owner.

Any indemnification payable by Owner to Operator hereunder shall be net of any insurance proceeds received by Operator under Operator's or Owner's insurance policies with respect to the circumstances giving rise to Owner's indemnification of Operator hereunder.

12.4 Louisiana Anti-Indemnity Act. Operator, Owner, and O&M Services agree that the Louisiana Anti-Indemnity Act, La. Rev.Stat.§ 9:2780, 2780.1, et seq., is inapplicable to this Agreement and the performance of the Services. Application of these code sections to this Agreement would be contrary to the intent of the Parties, and each Party hereby irrevocably waives any contention that these code sections are applicable to this Agreement or the Services. In addition, it is the intent of the Parties in the event that the aforementioned act were to apply that each Party shall provide insurance to cover the losses contemplated by such code sections and assumed by each such Party under the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, and O&M Services agrees that the payments made to Operator hereunder compensate O&M Services for the cost of premiums for the insurance provided by it under this Agreement. The Parties agree that each Party's agreement to support their indemnification obligations by insurance shall in no respect impair their indemnification obligations.

12.5 Other Indemnity Rules. If any Losses arise, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, out of the joint or concurrent negligence of the Parties, each Party's liability therefor shall be limited to such Party's proportionate degree of fault. Payments required to be paid by O&M Services or Operator to Owner under this Article XII or due to breach of this Agreement shall not constitute an Operating Expense or otherwise be reimbursable to Operator, or O&M Services from Owner.

ARTICLE XIII. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

13.1 Limitation of Liability. The aggregate amount of damages, compensation, or other such liabilities (other than with respect to the indemnity provided in the first paragraph of Section 12.3) payable by Owner under this Agreement for any damages, compensation or liabilities incurred in any Year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, an amount equal to the fee payable to Operator under Article IX plus reimbursable Operating Expenses for that Year; provided however, the foregoing limitation on damages, compensation or liabilities shall not apply to an intentional breach of this Agreement by Owner.

The aggregate amount of damages, compensation, or other such liabilities (other than (i) with respect to the losses or damages described in Section 12.1, to the extent such losses or damages exceed the limitation set forth in clause (ii) of Section 12.1 but only to extent of the limitation set forth in clause (i) of Section 12.1, and (ii) the indemnity provided in the first paragraph of Section 12.2) payable by O&M Services or Operator under this Agreement for any damages, compensation or liabilities incurred in any Year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, the fees payable to Operator under Article IX in such Year.

13.2 CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. NO PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR UNDER ANY CAUSE OF ACTION RELATED TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, WARRANTY, TORT INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY, PRODUCT LIABILITY, CONTRIBUTION, OR ANY OTHER CAUSE OF ACTION FOR SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL LOSSES OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING LOSS OF PROFIT, LOSS OF USE, LOSS OF OPPORTUNITY, LOSS OF REVENUES, OR LOSS OF GOOD WILL; PROVIDED THAT THE FOREGOING SHALL NOT APPLY TO INDEMNITIES EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE XIV.

INSURANCE

14.1 Owner's Insurance. Owner shall obtain, or cause to be obtained, and maintain such insurance for (i) physical loss or damage to the Facility and (ii) general liability insurance relating to the Facility as described in Schedule 3 to the extent that such insurance is available to Owner on commercially reasonable terms and conditions. Operator shall be named as an additional insured on each policy of insurance required herein. Promptly after having obtained such policy or policies, Owner shall provide Operator with copies of such policies. The insurance maintained by Owner shall contain a clause to the effect that the insurers have agreed to waive all rights of subrogation against Operator and its Subcontractors other than with respect to gross negligence or willful misconduct of Operator, to the extent separate policies are procured by Owner and Operator, or its Subcontractors. Owner shall provide notice to Operator within ten (10) days of it receiving any notice of cancelation, non-renewal or any material reduction in coverage or limits with respect to any policy required to be in place pursuant to Schedule 3. All policies obtained by Owner relating to the Facility (other than policies covering third party liability) shall be primary to any insurance taken out by Operator covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by Owner and Operator. All policies obtained by Owner covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by Owner and primary to any insurance taken out by Operator covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by Owner and Operator.



14.2 **Operator's Insurance**. To the extent that such insurance is available to Operator on commercially reasonable terms and conditions, Operator shall obtain, or cause to be obtained, and maintain with insurers reasonably acceptable to Owner the insurance described in Schedule 3. Operator shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that each Subcontractor obtains and maintains insurance which is customarily provided by Persons providing similar services as such Subcontractor.

14.3 Other Requirements and Insurance Certificates. Operator shall provide notice to Owner within ten (10) days of its receipt of a notice of cancellation, non-renewal or any material reduction in coverage or limits. The insurance maintained by Operator shall also provide that Operator's insurers' waive all rights of subrogation against Owner and its Affiliates and representatives and that Owner and its representatives and Affiliates are named as additional insureds under such policies (except workers' compensation/employer's liability insurance) to the extent separate policies are procured by Owner and Operator. Operator shall, promptly after having obtained any such policy or policies, provide Owner with a certificate of insurance and shall notify Owner in writing of any changes therein from time to time or, prior to so doing, of the cancellation of any such policy or policies.

14.4 Budget. The cost of obtaining and maintaining the insurance policies required by Sections 14.1 and 14.2 are Operating Expenses and shall be included in the Budget for each Operating Year.

14.5 Disclosure of Claims. Each Party shall promptly furnish the other Party with all information reasonably available to it relating to the operation and maintenance of the Facility as is necessary to enable the first Party to comply with its disclosure obligations under the insurance which it has taken out, the terms of which have been disclosed to the other Party in writing. Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party of any claim with respect to any of the insurance policies referred to in Sections 14.1 and 14.2, accompanied by full details of the incident giving rise to such claim. Each Party shall afford to the other Party all such assistance as may reasonably be required for the preparation and negotiation of insurance claims, save where such claim is against the Party required to give assistance.

ARTICLE XV.

ASSIGNMENT

Operator shall not assign or otherwise transfer all or any of its rights under this Agreement without the prior written consent of Owner which consent will not be unreasonably withheld solely in the case of an assignment to an Affiliate of Operator; provided that no such consent is required for assignment or grant of a security interest to any Person for purposes of any financing arrangement. Operator shall not assign or otherwise transfer all or any of its rights under this Agreement without obtaining any Governmental Approval which may be required for such assignment or transfer under Applicable Law. Any assignment not expressly permitted hereunder shall be null and void and have no force or effect. Owner may assign its rights and delegate its duties under this Agreement at any time provided that it shall provide written notice of such assignment to Operator. Upon the giving of such notice, Owner shall have no liability under this Agreement for any obligations to be performed after the date of the assignment.

ARTICLE XVI.

CONFIDENTIALITY

16.1 Confidential Information. Subject to Section 16.2, Operator shall keep confidential all matters relating to the Services, the Facility, the Project Contracts, and this Agreement, and will not disclose to any Person, any information, data, experience, know-how, documents, manuals, policies or procedures, computer software, secrets, dealings, transactions, or affairs of or relating to Owner, the Facility, the Project Contracts, or this Agreement (the "Confidential Information").

16.2 Permitted Disclosure. The restrictions on disclosure of Confidential Information by Operator shall not apply to the following:

(a) any matter which is already generally available and in the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure by Operator or is otherwise known to Operator from a source that is not in violation of a confidentiality obligation to Owner;

(b) any disclosure which may reasonably be required for the performance of Operator's obligations under this Agreement;

or

(c) any disclosure which may be required for the compliance by Operator with Applicable Laws or for the purposes of legal proceedings, if Operator has notified Owner prior to any such disclosure.

16.3 Additional Undertakings of Operator. Operator further undertakes:

(a) to limit access to Confidential Information to O&M Employees, Operator's officers, directors, attorneys, agents, employees, or other representatives who reasonably require the Confidential Information to ensure the satisfactory performance of the Services;

(b) to inform each of its Subcontractors officers, directors, attorneys, agents, employees and other representatives to whom Confidential Information is disclosed of the restrictions on disclosure of such information as set forth herein and to use reasonable efforts to ensure that all such Persons comply with such instructions; and

(c) upon receipt of a written request from Owner and, in any event, upon completion of the Services or earlier termination of this Agreement to return to Owner all documents, papers, computer programs, software or records containing Confidential Information, if so requested by Owner.

16.4 **Public Announcements**. Operator shall not, and Operator shall use reasonable efforts to ensure that its Subcontractors and their respective officers, directors, attorneys, agents, employees and other representatives shall not, issue or make any public announcement or statement regarding the Facility, this Agreement or Operator's engagement hereunder unless, prior thereto, Owner has been furnished with a copy thereof and has approved the same, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld. Operator further warrants and undertakes that it shall refer all media inquiries with respect to this Agreement or the matters covered by this Agreement to Owner or Owner's Representative.

ARTICLE XVII.

EMERGENCIES

17.1 **Emergencies**. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein in the case of an Emergency, Operator shall act in accordance with Applicable Law, the FERC Authorization and International LNG Terminal Standards as Operator deems necessary to prevent damage, injury or loss or to counteract or otherwise mitigate the effects of such Emergency.

17.2 Notice; Further Action. In the event of an Emergency, Operator shall notify Owner's Representative of the Emergency as soon as practicable following the occurrence thereof, which Notice shall include detail with respect to any action being taken by Operator in response thereto and any expenditures incurred, or expected to be incurred, by Operator in connection with such Emergency. Operator shall take all reasonable steps to minimize the cost to Owner of its actions, having regard to the circumstances and the need to act promptly. Following such notification, at the request of Owner's Representative, the Parties shall discuss without delay the further actions, which should be taken as a result of the Emergency and the estimated expenditure, associated therewith. Operator shall also comply with the FERC notification procedures described in Section 6.3 of this Agreement or set forth in any other instructions from the FERC. Any communication with the news media or local officials made by Operator shall provide only enough information to satisfy immediate public concern.

17.3 **Owner's Notice**. If Owner believes that an Emergency has arisen in relation to the Facility, Owner may give Notice to Operator specifying the nature of the Emergency which it has identified and the manner in which it requests such Emergency to be rectified. Operator shall rectify such Emergency with all due diligence. If Operator fails to comply with such Notice promptly, Owner or its designees shall have the right to take such actions as may be necessary to remedy such breach by Operator and rectify the Emergency.

ARTICLE XVIII.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

18.1 Negotiation. In the event that any Dispute cannot be resolved informally within thirty (30) days after the Dispute arises, either Party may give written notice of the Dispute (a "Dispute Notice") to the other Parties requesting that a representative of Owner's senior management, Operator's senior management and O&M Services' senior management meet in an attempt to resolve the Dispute. Each such management representative shall meet at a mutually agreeable time and place within thirty (30) days after receipt by the non-notifying Party of such Dispute Notice, and thereafter as often as they deem reasonably necessary to exchange relevant information and to attempt to resolve the Dispute. If such representatives agree to resolve any Dispute, such proposed resolution shall be submitted in writing, with reasonable detail regarding the terms thereof, to the GP Board, acting on behalf of Owner, and shall become effective solely upon the written approval thereof by the GP Board in its discretion. In no event shall this Section 18.1 be construed to limit any Party's right to take any action under this Section 18.1 (including due to failure of the GP Board to approve any proposed resolution), then any Party may by notice to the other Parties refer the Dispute to be decided by final and binding arbitration in accordance with Section 18.2.

18.2 Arbitration. Any arbitration held under this Agreement shall be held in Houston, Texas, unless otherwise agreed by Owner and O&M Services, shall be administered by the Dallas, Texas office of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") and shall, except as otherwise modified by this Section 18.2, be governed by the AAA's International Arbitration Rules (the "AAA Rules"). Owner and O&M Services shall be the only Parties that participate in any arbitration under this Agreement. The number of arbitrators required for the arbitration hearing shall be determined in accordance with the AAA Rules. The arbitrator(s) shall determine the rights and obligations of the Parties according to the substantive law of the state of Texas, excluding its conflict of law principles, as would a court for the state of Texas. Owner and O&M Services shall be entitled to engage in reasonable discovery, including the right to production of relevant and material documents by the opposing Party or Parties and the right to take depositions reasonably limited in number, time and place; provided that in no event shall any Party be entitled to refuse to produce relevant and non-privileged documents or copies thereof requested by the other Party or Parties within the time limit set and to the extent required by order of the arbitrator(s). All disputes regarding discovery shall be promptly resolved by the arbitrator(s). This agreement to arbitrate is binding upon the Parties and the successors and permitted assigns of either of them. At Owner's or O&M Services' option, any other Person may be joined as an additional party to any arbitration conducted under this Section 18.2, (a) Owner shall act at the direction of the GP Board and no approval, consent, determination, decision, waiver, consultation or other similar action of Owner shall be deemed to occur and be effective without the prior written approval of (i) the GP Board and (ii) to the extent the GP Board does not have authority to take such action under the LLC Agreement without a

18.3 Continuation of Work During Dispute. Notwithstanding any Dispute, it shall be the responsibility of each Party to continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement pending resolution of Disputes.

ARTICLE XIX.

NOTICES

19.1 Notice. Any notice, consent, approval or other communication under this Agreement (each a "Notice") shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, sent by pre-paid mail or by a courier or transmitted by facsimile to a Party as follows (or to such other address or facsimile number as the Party may substitute by Notice in accordance with this Section 19.1 after the date of this Agreement):

To Owner:

Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

To Operator:

Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

To O&M Services:

Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

19.2 Effective Time of Notice. A Notice given to a Party in accordance with this Article XIX shall be deemed to have been given and received:

(a) if personally delivered to a Person's address, on the day of delivery;

(b) if sent by courier or prepaid mail, on the day of delivery; and

(c) if transmitted by facsimile to a Person's facsimile number, and a correct and complete transmission report is received by the sender, on the day of transmission.

ARTICLE XX. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

20.1 Representations and Warranties by Each Party. Each Party represents and warrants to the other Party as to itself, that, as of the date hereof:

(a) it is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of its jurisdiction of its organization and has all requisite partnership power and authority to own its property and assets and

conduct its business as presently conducted or proposed to be conducted under this Agreement;

(b) it has the partnership or limited liability company power and authority, as the case may be, to execute and deliver this Agreement, to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to perform its obligations hereunder;

(c) it has taken all necessary action to authorize its execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, and this Agreement constitutes the valid, legal and binding obligation of such Party enforceable against it in accordance with its terms except as such enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium or similar laws affecting the rights of creditors or by general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law);

(d) no Government Approval is required for (i) the valid execution and delivery of this Agreement or (ii) the performance by such Party of its obligations under this Agreement, except such as (A) have been duly obtained or made or (B) can reasonably be expected to be obtained or made when needed;

(e) none of the execution or delivery of this Agreement, the performance by such Party of its obligations in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, or the fulfillment of the terms and conditions hereof shall: (i) conflict with or violate any provision of its organizational documents, (ii) conflict with, violate or result in a breach of, any Applicable Law currently in effect, or (iii) conflict with, violate or result in the imposition or creation of, any security under any agreement or instrument to which it is a Party or by which it or any of its properties or assets are bound;

(f) no meeting has been convened for its dissolution or winding-up, no such step is intended by it and, so far as it is aware, no petition, application or the like is outstanding or threatened for its dissolution or winding-up; and

(g) it is not a party to any legal, administrative, arbitral or other proceeding, investigation or controversy pending, or, to the best knowledge of such Party, threatened, that would materially adversely affect such Party's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

20.2 Additional Representations and Warranties by Operator. Operator further represents and warrants to Owner that it or one of its Affiliates (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries (including Owner)) has or will hire O&M Employees who are fully qualified or able to be qualified to operate and maintain the Facility in accordance with the terms hereof.

ARTICLE XXI. MISCELLANEOUS

21.1 Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability, in whole or in part, of any of the sections or provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such sections or provisions. If any material provision of this Agreement is held invalid or unenforceable, the Parties shall promptly renegotiate in good faith new provisions to replace such invalid or unenforceable provision so as to restore this Agreement as nearly as possible to its original intent and effect.

21.2 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including any schedules hereto, contains the complete agreement between Owner and Operator with respect to the matters contained herein and supersedes all other agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof.

21.3 Amendment. No modification, amendment, or other change to this Agreement will be binding on any Party unless executed in writing by the Parties and the Executive Committee. No modification, amendment, or other change to the rights or obligations of O&M Services under this Agreement will be binding on O&M Services unless executed in writing by O&M Services.

21.4 Additional Documents and Actions. Each Party agrees to execute and deliver to the other Party such additional documents and to take such additional actions and provide such cooperation as may be reasonably requested by the other Party to consummate the transactions contemplated by, and to effect the intent of, this Agreement.

21.5 Schedules. The schedules to this Agreement form part of this Agreement and will be of full force and effect as though they were expressly set out in the body of this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the other terms, conditions, and provisions of this Agreement and the schedules, the other terms conditions, and provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

21.6 Interest for Late Payment. Any amount due to a Party pursuant to this Agreement and remaining unpaid after the date when payment was due shall bear interest from the date such payment was due until paid at a rate equal to the Base Rate in effect from time to time.

21.7 Services Only Contract. This Agreement provides that Operator shall provide Services to Owner and shall otherwise perform in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. Operator shall never assert, nor be deemed to have acquired, title to LNG or Natural Gas from the Facility.

21.8 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall be deemed one and the same Agreement.

21.9 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and interpreted and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Texas.

21.10 Third Party Beneficiary. Except for Section 11.5, this Agreement is for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Parties hereto and shall not create a contractual relationship with, or cause of action in favor of, any third party.

21.11 No Partnership. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create a partnership, joint venture or any other relationship of a similar nature between the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Owner:

SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION, LLC

By:	/s/ R. Keith Teague
Name:	R. Keith Teague
Title:	President

Operator:

CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, GP, LLC

By:	/s/ Meg A. Gentle
Name:	Meg A. Gentle
Title:	Chief Financial Officer

O&M Services:

CHENIERE LNG O&M SERVICES, LLC

By:/s/ Graham A. McArthurName:Graham A. McArthurTitle:Treasurer

[Signature Page to Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities)]

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC. JOINDER

For due consideration contained in the Agreement, by its execution below, Cheniere Energy, Inc ("CEI") evidences its agreement that in the event that Owner has a claim against O&M Services for breach of the attached Agreement or for indemnification pursuant to Article XII of the Agreement, and O&M Services has not fully paid such claim within sixty (60) days of the making of such claim if undisputed or within thirty (30) days after final resolution of any disputed claim, CEI will pay Owner on written demand the unpaid amount of such claim; provided that in no event shall the amount for which CEI is liable exceed the limitation on O&M's liability set out in Article XIII of the Agreement.

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

By:	/s/ Graham A. McArthur
Name:	Graham A. McArthur
Title:	Vice President and Treasurer

[Signature Page to Operation and Maintenance Agreement (Sabine Pass Liquefaction Facilities)]

SCHEDULE 1 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

Part 1 - Pre-Mobilization Period

Services to be provided during the Pre- Mobilization Period are:

- 1. Appointing an Operator's Representative in accordance with Section 5.3.
- 2. Obtaining all Government Approvals required to be held in the name of Operator for the performance of Operator's obligations hereunder.
- 3. Preparing an Operating Plan and Budget for the Pre-Mobilization Period and submitting the same to Owner for its approval in accordance with Section 7.2(a).
- 4. Reviewing and advising on the engineering documents, design drawings and diagrams (including piping and instrumentation diagrams), manuals, plans and procedures other engineering documents and performance test procedures prepared by EPC Contractor pertaining to the Facility which shall include the following:
 - a. Reviewing the layout of the Facility with respect to:
 - (i) Maintainability, accessibility and operability arrangements of equipment and buildings,
 - (ii) Warehouse and equipment storage areas,
 - (iii) Workshop, administrative facilities, control room and other buildings and offices,
 - (iv) Laboratory including fuel testing facilities,
 - (v) Installed cranes and hoists,
 - (vi) Interconnecting pipelines and metering stations,
 - (vii) Areas assigned for environmental mitigation and protection, and
 - (viii) Safety assembly points, access and egress.
 - b. Fire protection systems.
 - c. Mechanical systems.
 - d. Electrical systems.
 - e. Automation, instrumentation and control systems.
 - f. EPC Contractor quality control and inspection procedures.

- g. Metering systems.
- h. HAZOP analysis.
- i. Operating manuals.

During such review, Operator shall report to Owner on the acceptability of the proposals in these areas, any defects or omissions and proposed improvements, modifications or changes to any such items to ensure that the Facility can be operated and maintained in accordance with this Agreement. Promptly following its review of each item set forth above, Operator shall submit to Owner a memorandum setting forth Operator's findings with respect to such item.

- 5. Reviewing the list of the spare parts, tools, workshop and other equipment and other items provided for within the Project Contracts and prepare a list of inventories of additional items that may be required in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Such list of inventories shall include the following:
 - a. Miscellaneous spare parts,
 - b. Operating materials, consumables, chemicals, lubricants and oils,
 - c. Commissioning spares,
 - d. Capital and strategic spare parts, including the first two year's supply to be procured by the EPC Contractor,
 - e. Tools and equipment,
 - f. Laboratory equipment and inspection devices,
 - g. Safety equipment,
 - h. Workshop equipment,
 - i. Furniture, office equipment, computers, computer software, and communication equipment, and
 - j. Any other miscellaneous facilities, systems or items as may be necessary for operating and maintaining the Facility.

Upon receipt of Owner's approval of the list of additional items, if and to the extent requested by Owner, Operator will procure the items so identified.

- 6. Obtaining, prior to the performance of any on-site activities, and maintaining the insurance policies required by Operator pursuant to Section 14.2.
- 7. To the extent applicable during the Pre-Mobilization Period, preparing and submitting the Standing Procedures for Owner's review and approval.

- 8. Submitting to Owner for its approval an organizational chart, staffing plan (including O&M Employees' staffing of the Facility), and a description of each job classification and details of the qualifications necessary for an individual to fill such job category during each Applicable Period.
- 9. To the extent applicable during the Pre-Mobilization Period, review of adequacy and scope of the EPC Contractors training program, as well as planning and, within the expenditure limits set forth in the approved training budget, providing as necessary in conjunction with the EPC Contractors training program, a supplemental training program for the training of O&M Employees, including the following:
 - a. Initial training of newly recruited staff,
 - b. General technical training,
 - c. Emergency response training,
 - d. First aid training,
 - e. Fire Fighting Training,
 - f. Management information system training,
 - g. Safety training,
 - h. Operation and maintenance procedure training,
 - i. Administration procedure training,
 - j. Environmental procedures, and
 - k. Vendor equipment training.
- 10. Interfacing with the Manager, Main Automation Contractor and the EPC Contractor to develop Integrated Business, Information, and Control Systems (IBICS) that will encompass both the operation of the Facility and of other related systems. The EPC Contractor will be required to work with the Main Automation Contractor to design, specify, procure, install, and integrate the following portions of IBICS related to the Facility into the overall Owner systems:
 - a. LNG plant process distributed control systems (dcs) and operator interface console
 - b. Distributed Control System historian
 - c. Electronic flow measurement systems
 - d. Measurement historian and management system

- e. LNG tank inventory and composition monitoring system
- f. Fire and gas detection system for process, storage and marine terminal
- g. Business intelligence and reporting system through web portals
- h. Marine terminal controls of off-loading arm systems
- i. Access control system/security card reader/pob reports
- j. Perimeter fence barrier, marine terminal and access gate intrusion detection systems
- k. Closed circuit television process and security monitoring and recording system
- 1. Electrical power management system
- m. Weather station monitoring and data recording system
- n. Equipment reliability and performance monitoring
- o. Work permit & psm management
- p. Performance of safety walk-throughs and monitoring of work permits, JSMs and MSDSs
- q. Set-up and monitoring of a program of SIL trip systems (ESDs) and overpressure protection systems, including regulatory required inspection, testing and maintenance
- r. Development of a system of overall plant performance and efficiency, with deviation detection by event and also by system or equipment
- s. Document management
- t. Operator qualification and training
- u. Accident investigation
- v. Engineering drawings and documents
- w. Vendor manuals and data
- x. Facility policies and procedures
- y. Industry standards
- z. Government regulations

aa. Engineering references

- bb. Marine operations archives
- cc. Process safety management
- dd. Regulatory compliance
- ee. Site safety policies and procedures manuals
- ff. Statistics and reporting
- gg. Management of change
- hh. Human resource systems
- ii. Office applications
- jj. Financial systems
- kk. Purchasing/inventory/warehouse.
- 11. Interfacing with the Marine Services Company.
- 12. Recommending and implementing, at Owner's request and in cooperation with the Main Automation Contractor, a computerized maintenance management system ("CMMS"), inventory control system and a purchasing system including implementing as part of the CMMS, a system for producing and historically compiling work orders for the preventive, predictive and corrective maintenance of the Facility.
- 13. Agreeing to Performance Test Run procedures and planning for Performance Test Run(s)
- 14. Recommending and implementing, at Owner's request, personnel procedures, code of conduct and FERC compliance procedures.
- 15. Providing a monthly status report to Owner in form and content reasonably requested by Owner.
- 16. Cooperating with the engineers representing Owner's lenders.
- 17. Promptly reviewing and commenting on piping and instrumentation diagrams, the manuals, other engineering documents and procedures prepared by the EPC Contractor.
- 18. Performing any other tasks as are reasonably requested by Owner from time to time.

Part 2 - Mobilization and Start-Up Period

Services to be provided by Operator to Owner during the Mobilization and Start-Up Period are:

- 1. Preparing an Operating Plan for the Mobilization and Start-Up Period in accordance with Section 7.2(b).
- 2. Preparing recommendations to Owner on:
 - a. maintenance and storage facilities, initial tools, lifting tackles, workshop and other equipment, vehicles supplies (including chemicals and lubricants required pursuant to the EPC Contract) and spare parts inventories, security and safety systems and plans, any necessary or desirable special clothing or safety gear for personnel and such other equipment, facilities and systems as may be necessary or desirable for operating and maintaining the Facility in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement,
 - b. an adequate inventory of all consumables to be maintained at the Facility,
 - c. an inventory of all strategic spares considered necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Facility during the first two (2) years after the Substantial Completion Date of each Train,
 - d. an inventory of all components required for the first planned inspections of the type of equipment installed at the Facility, and
 - e. O&M Employee staffing of the Facility.

3. Establishing or procuring to the extent not provided under the EPC Contract and with the approval of Owner those items identified in Section 3 above.

4. Reviewing and commenting on EPC Contractor's pre-commissioning, commissioning cool down and performance test procedures and ensuring Licensor involvement.

5. Reviewing and commenting on systems, plans, procedures, and standard reports developed by the Main Automation Contractor for use during the Operating Period.

6. Providing technical expertise and assisting Owner in connection with the monitoring and witnessing of the commissioning, start-up and performance testing of the Facility and, in conjunction with the EPC Contractor, advising Owner as to the progress of the performance testing and as to whether or not the Facility has successfully passed the performance tests under the EPC Contract.

7. Preparing and submitting to Owner the final Standing Procedures no later than one hundred and twenty (120) Days prior to the scheduled initial Substantial Completion Date.

8. Providing qualified (and if required, licensed) O&M Employees in accordance with Section 5.1, including Subcontractors.

9. Reviewing EPC Contractor's planned training program and commenting on scope and adequacy.

10. Monitoring the training program with respect to the Facility provided by the EPC Contractor.

11. With the assistance of Owner, developing and providing as necessary in conjunction with the EPC Contractor's training program, a supplemental training program for the training of the O&M Employees.

12. Working with Owner to develop policies, procedures, systems and programs required to ensure that Owner's obligations under the Project Contracts in connection with operation and maintenance of the Facility will be satisfied.

13. Assisting Owner in reviewing the punch list prepared by the EPC Contractor with respect to the construction of the Facility.

14. Coordinate with the EPC Contractor and Owner to ensure that the Facility is Ready For Start Up, performance testing and operation in accordance with the standards of performance set out in this Agreement.

- 15. Coordinating pipeline nominations with the pipelines which interconnect to the Facility.
- 16. Maintaining the insurance policies required by Operator pursuant to Section 14.2.
- 17. Providing a biweekly status report to Owner in form to be agreed upon by Operator and Owner.
- 18. Preparing Operator's daily walk-through log beginning on the earlier of system flushes or equipment commissioning.
- 19. Beginning the twenty-four (24) hour monitoring of Facility operation by O&M Employees as agreed with Owner.
- 20. Developing, providing and implementing a system for trending operating data collected by the O&M Employees on components and systems.
- 21. Cooperating with the engineers representing Owner's lenders.
- 22. Performing any other tasks as are reasonably requested by Owner from time to time.



Part 3 - Operating Period

Services to be provided by Operator to Owner during the Operating Period are:

- 1. Preparing a Budget, Maintenance Program and Operating Plan for each Operating Year and submitting the same to Owner for its approval in accordance with Article VII of the Agreement.
- 2. Supervising, managing, directing and controlling all aspects of the day to day operation and maintenance of the Facility.
- 3. Continuing to implement the training courses and programs developed by Operator.
- 4. Carrying out such periodic performance tests of the Facility as Owner may request and recommend to Owner any remedial action which Operator considers necessary to correct any operational deficiencies arising from the analysis of test results or otherwise revealed during operation of the Facility, coordinating with Licensor as appropriate.
- 5. Maintaining sufficient numbers of qualified and, if required, licensed personnel to perform Operator's obligations under this Agreement.
- 6. Preparing and maintaining daily operating logs and records regarding operation and maintenance of the Facility.
- 7. Providing such information for technical evaluation thereof as may be reasonably requested by Owner.
- 8. Causing to be performed, or contract for and oversee the performance of periodic overhauls and scheduled and unscheduled maintenance required for the Facility.
- 9. Managing, organizing and supervising such contracted and subcontracted maintenance, repair and testing services as shall be required to carry out scheduled inspections, periodic overhauls, unscheduled maintenance and any major breakdown repairs.
- 10. Promptly providing Notice to Owner and the FERC of planned and forced outages at the Facility.
- 11. Promptly providing Notice to Owner and the FERC of the likelihood or occurrence of any event including a Force Majeure event materially adversely affecting operation of the Facility.
- 12. Monitoring the inventory of and purchase, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, all required spare parts, tools, equipment, consumables and supplies and contract for the services required for the day to day operation and maintenance of the Facility.
- 13. Causing to be maintained:
 - a. all roads, yards, walkways, dikes, mitigation areas, landscaping and utilities at the Facility,
 - b. the tool room, equipment and instruments pertaining to the Facility, and
 - c. the Facility's fire protection, health equipment and safety equipment.
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- 14. Carrying out the reading, testing and any calibration of meters as requested by Owner and attend and witness the reading, testing and calibration of meters.
- 15. Furnishing to Owner all information necessary to enable Owner to prepare invoices and review such invoices, as requested by Owner.
- 16. Causing adequate security to be provided for the Facility and develop such systems to cause Emergency situations to be promptly and adequately responded to.
- 17. Implement and cause to be maintained adequate safety, health, and environmental management systems to comply with Applicable Laws and the safety, health, and environmental policies, standards, and guidelines of Owner and Operator.
- 18. Monitoring the quantity and quality of water delivered to the Facility.
- 19. Implementing and supervising the preventive and predicative maintenance program, including CMMS.
- 20. Implementing and supervising the applicable systems and procedures developed for the Integrated Business, Information and Control System (IBICS).
- 21. Providing technical engineering support for solving operation and maintenance problems.
- 22. Ensuring the implementation of and compliance with the Standing Procedures, including the O&M Procedures Manual, by the O&M Employees, Subcontractors and all other Persons on the Site.
- 23. Recommending modifications, capital repairs, replacements and improvements to the Facility and components thereof and, at Owner's request, cause the same to be implemented, subject to such terms and conditions as the Parties may agree.
- 24. Maintaining accounting records regarding its Services hereunder in such detail as required by Owner and the FERC.
- 25. Co-operating in the provision of information to Owner, its vendors, Licensors, lenders, consultants, accountants and attorneys.
- 26. Assisting Owner in the enforcement of vendor and Licensor warranties and guaranties.
- 27. Scheduling, hiring and supervising Subcontractors and vendors as may be necessary for the performance of the Services hereunder.

- 28. Promptly notifying Owner of all known defects in the Facility and if requested by Owner, liaise with the EPC Contractor to ensure that all such defects appearing during the applicable defect correction period or other warranty period are corrected to the reasonable satisfaction of Owner, but shall not agree to any course of action without the consent of Owner.
- 29. Prior to the termination of this Agreement, preparing a recommended spare parts inventory based upon the condition of the Facility at that time.
- 30. Carrying out all necessary public relations activities with the local community and public agencies in the vicinity of the Site; provided that all press releases made on behalf of Owner shall first be approved by Owner in writing.
- 31. Carrying out periodic drills and exercises throughout the Facility to ensure efficient implementation of emergency response plans by the operating personnel in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 32. Communicating daily to Owner the available capacity of the Facility for the upcoming period.
- 33. Cooperating with the engineers representing Owner's lenders.
- 34. Performing any other tasks reasonably requested by Owner in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Facility.



SCHEDULE 2 OPERATING PLAN AND BUDGET INFORMATION

Part 1 - Operating Plan Information

The following information, as applicable, will be included in each Operating Plan for the Applicable Period:

1. Planned routine operational services.

2. Planned routine maintenance and repair for each part of the Facility.

3. Information regarding the inventory and proposed procurement of equipment, spares, tools and in the case of major equipment, the residual life, routine operational information, general operating data and other Facility data.

4. Scheduled outages for major equipment.

5. Staffing plans of Operator (indicating any changes in the level of staff or in the management personnel at the Facility) and details of the numbers of part-time and temporary staff, consultants, operating staff and maintenance staff.

6. Planned training program.

7. Contract strategy and a description of material Subcontracts proposed to be entered into and material Subcontracts then in effect.

8. Planned administrative activities and the status of relationships with parties to the Project Contracts, the local community and all Government Authorities having jurisdiction over the operation and maintenance of the Facility or Operator.

9. Operators recommendations on any matters affecting the operation and maintenance of the Facility (such as modifications, capital improvements or capital expenditure or changes in the O&M Procedures Manual or Standing Procedures) together with reasons therefore.

10. A description of any (i) change in Applicable Laws or (ii) proposed change in Applicable Laws of which Operator has knowledge, which in either case may affect the operation or maintenance of any part of the Facility, together with a breakdown of any incremental costs associated therewith.

11. Operator's environmental plan describing the actions necessary to ensure that the Facility complies with all Government Approvals and all Applicable Laws, and

12. Such other works and activities as are necessary for Operator to comply with its obligations under this Agreement.

Part 2 - Budget Expense Categories

Operator will maintain expense categories in accordance with the FERC standard Code of Accounts as directed by Owner. The following items are examples of the expense category details to be provided by Operator in each Budget submitted to Owner:

ADMINISTRATION

Compensation (separated by base compensation, bonus compensation under each bonus plan or program, and employee benefits under each employee benefit plan) Employee Expenses (separated with reasonable specificity based on each type thereof) Environmental Safety Building/Grounds Office Expenses Rents/Leases Services Insurance Other

FACILITY OPERATION, MARINE COORDINATION AND SECURITY

Compensation (separated by base compensation, bonus compensation under each bonus plan or program, and employee benefits under each employee benefit plan) Employee Expenses (separated with reasonable specificity based on each type thereof) Chemicals Control Room/Laboratory Other

MAINTENANCE (REPAIR PARTS AND OUTSIDE SERVICES)

Compensation (separated by base compensation, bonus compensation under each bonus plan or program, and employee benefits under each employee benefit plan) Employee Expenses (separated with reasonable specificity based on each type thereof) Water Treatment System Painting Environmental Controls including waste treatment system Electrical and Controls Cooling System Pumps Other

SCHEDULE 3 DESCRIPTION OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

Insurance To Be Maintained by Owner

Owner shall procure or cause another Person to procure and maintain in full force and effect at all times on and after the Effective Date (unless otherwise specified below) and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement (unless otherwise specified below) insurance policies with insurance companies authorized to do business in Louisiana (if required by law or regulation) with (i) a Best Insurance Reports rating of "A-" or better and a financial size category of "VII" or higher, (ii) a Standard & Poor's financial strength rating of "BBB+" or higher, or (iii) other companies acceptable to the Agent, with limits and coverage provisions in no event less than the limits and coverage provisions set forth below.

- (1) <u>General Liability Insurance</u>: Liability insurance on an occurrence basis against claims filed anywhere in the world and occurring anywhere in the world, except for countries under U.S. sanction, embargo or other restrictions, for Owner's liability arising out of claims for personal injury (including bodily injury and death) and property damage. Such insurance shall provide coverage for, products-completed operations, blanket contractual, broad form property damage, personal injury insurance and independent contractors, with a limit not less than \$10,000,000, increasing to not less than \$100,000,000 on or before giving the Notice To Proceed under the EPC Contract, minimum limit per occurrence for combined bodily injury and property damage provided that policy aggregates, if any, shall apply separately to claims occurring with respect to the Facility. A maximum deductible or self- insured retention of \$250,000 per occurrence shall be allowed.
- (2) <u>Automobile Liability Insurance</u>: Automobile liability insurance for Owner's liability arising out of claims for bodily injury and property damage covering all owned (if any), leased, non-owned and hired vehicles of Owner, including loading and unloading, with a \$10,000,000 (increased to \$25,000,000 on giving the Notice To Proceed under the EPC Contract) minimum limit per accident for combined bodily injury and property damage and containing appropriate no-fault insurance provisions wherever applicable. A maximum deductible or self-insured retention of \$250,000 per occurrence shall be allowed.
- (3) <u>Marine General Liability Insurance</u>: On or before giving the Notice To Proceed under the EPC Contract, marine general liability insurance against claims for bodily injury, property damage, marine contractual liability, tankerman's liability, pollution liability, removal of wreck and/or debris, collision liability and tower's liability with the sister-ship clause un-amended arising out of any vessel or barge owned, rented or chartered by Owner, EPC Contractor, subcontractors or Operator with a \$100,000,000 limit per occurrence provided that policy aggregates, if any, shall apply separately to claims occurring with respect to the Facility. A maximum deductible or self-insured retention of \$250,000 per occurrence shall be allowed.
- (4) <u>Marine Terminal Operators Liability Insurance</u>: No later than 3 months prior to the arrival of the first LNG Vessel, marine terminal operators liability insurance covering claims arising out of operations including products and completed operations hazard and independent contractors for sums which Owner shall become obligated to pay by reason of bodily injury or property damage as a result of loss, damage, injury or expense (including expenses for removal of the spill of a pollutant) and including loss of use, to any vessel and its equipment, cargo, freight or other interests onboard, the property of others, including the cost of or expense for the removal of wreck or debris of such property, while docking, undocking, or while in EPC Contractor's, Owner's or Operator's custody or possession at the Site or while proceeding to or from the Site or caused directly or indirectly by the freeing or



breaking away from such premises. The limit for such insurance shall be set a level that is reasonably acceptable to Owner and the Agent and sufficient to cover the maximum probable loss to LNG owned by others and stored at the Site, LNG Vessel and its contents, but in no case less than \$150,000,000. A maximum deductible or self-insured retention of \$250,000 per occurrence shall be allowed.

- (5) <u>Operational Property Damage Insurance</u>: To the extent not covered by Builder's Risk insurance under the EPC Contract, property damage insurance on an "all risk" basis (x) insuring Owner as the first named insured and (y) solely for the benefit of Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries, including coverage against damage or loss caused by earth movement (including but not limited to earthquake, landslide, subsidence and volcanic eruption), flood, windstorm, boiler and machinery accidents, strike, riot, civil commotion, sabotage and terrorism, with a minimum limit for terrorism of \$25,000,000. Any coverage required in this Section (5) may be satisfied by any combination of property, inland marine, ocean cargo or air cargo policies.
 - (a) <u>Property Insured</u>: The property damage insurance shall provide coverage for (i) the buildings, structures, boilers, machinery, equipment, facilities, fixtures, supplies, and other properties constituting a part of the Facility, (ii) the cost of recreating plans, drawings or any other documents or computer system records, (iii) electronic equipment, (iv) foundations and other property below the surface of the ground and (v) LNG which is owned by Owner or for which Owner is contractually required to insure.
 - (b) Additional Coverages: The property damage policy shall insure (i) when needed, insured property prior to its being moved to or from the Site and while located away from the Site, including ocean marine and air transit coverage (if applicable) with limits sufficient to insure the full replacement value of the property or equipment, (ii) if not included in the definition of loss, attorney's fees, engineering and other consulting costs, and permit fees directly incurred in order to repair or replace damaged insured property in a minimum amount of \$1,000,000, (iii) the cost of preventive measures to reduce or prevent a loss (sue & labor) in an amount not less than \$5,000,000, (iv) increased cost of construction and loss to undamaged property as the result of enforcement of building laws or ordinances with sub-limits not less than 10% of the "Full Insurable Value", (v) debris removal with sub-limits not less than \$10,000,000 or 25% of the loss, whichever is greater and (vi) expediting expenses (defined as extraordinary expenses incurred after an insured loss to make temporary repairs and expedite the permanent repair of the damaged property in excess of the business interruption even if such expense does not reduce the business interruption loss) in an amount not less than \$10,000,000.

- (c) <u>Special Clauses</u>: The property damage policy shall include (i) a 90 hour clause for flood, windstorm and earthquakes, (ii) an unintentional errors and omissions clause, (iii) a requirement that the insurer pay losses within 30 days after receipt of an acceptable proof of loss or partial proof of loss and (iv) any other insurance clause making this insurance primary over any other insurance.
- (d) <u>Sum Insured</u>: The property damage policy shall (i) value losses at their repair or replacement cost, without deduction for physical depreciation or obsolescence, including custom duties, taxes and fees, (ii) insure the Facility in an amount not less than the "Full Insurable Value" (for purposes of this Schedule 3, "Full Insurable Value" shall mean the full replacement value of the Facility, including any improvements, equipment, spare parts and supplies, without deduction for physical depreciation and/or obsolescence and (iii) insure flood and windstorm coverage with a sub- limit to be agreed upon between Owner and Operator.
- (e) <u>Deductibles</u>: The property damage policy may have deductibles of not greater than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, except for the flood and windstorm coverage which may have a deductible (i) prior to the Substantial Completion of the second Train, not greater than 3% of the values at risk, subject to a maximum of \$10,000,000 and (ii) on and after Substantial Completion of the second Train, not greater than 5% of the values at risk.

Insurance to be Maintained By Operator

Operator will procure or cause to be procured and maintain in full force and effect at all times on or after the Effective Date (unless otherwise specified herein) and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement (unless otherwise specified herein), insurance policies with insurance company(ies) authorized to do business in the State of Louisiana (if required by law or by regulation) with a (i) a Best Insurance Rating of "A-" or better and a financial strength rating of "VII" or higher, or (ii) a Standard & Poor's financial strength rating of "BBB+" or higher, or (iii) other companies acceptable to Owner, with limits and coverage provisions set forth below:

(1) Workers Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance: Operator shall comply with all applicable law with respect to workers' compensation requirements and other similar requirements where the Services are performed. Such coverage shall include coverage for all states and other applicable jurisdictions, voluntary compensation coverage, alternate employer endorsement and occupational disease. If the Services are to be performed on or near navigable waters, the policy (ies) shall include coverage for United States Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers Act, and, if applicable, coverage for the Death on the High Seas Act, the Jones Act, the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act and any other applicable law regarding maritime law. A maritime employers liability policy may be used to satisfy applicable parts of this requirement with respect to Services performed on navigable waters. If Operator is not required by applicable law to carry Workers' Compensation insurance, then Operator shall provide the types and amounts that are mutually agreed between Operator and Owner.



Limits to be provided:

Workers' Compensation: Statutory

Employer's Liability: US \$1,000,000 each accident, US \$1,000,000 disease each employee, US \$1,000,000 disease policy limit.

(2) **Commercial General Liability**: Operator shall provide or cause to be provided Commercial General Liability insurance on an occurrence basis covering against claims occurring anywhere in the world, except for countries under U.S. sanction, embargo or other restriction, for Operator's liability for bodily injury (including bodily injury and death), property damage (including loss of use) and personal injury. Such insurance shall provide coverage for products and completed operations, blanket contractual, broad form property damage and independent contractors.

Limits to be provided:

US \$1,000,000 combined single limit in any one occurrence; US \$1,000,000 general aggregate;

US \$ 1,000,000 products and/or completed operations aggregate.

This coverage will be subject to a maximum deductible of US \$250,000 in any one occurrence.

(3) <u>Automobile Liability</u>: Operator shall provide or cause to be provided Commercial Automobile Liability covering Operator's liability arising out of claims for bodily injury and property damage for all owned and non-owned, leased or hired vehicles of Operator, including loading and unloading thereof and appropriate no-fault provisions wherever applicable.

Limit to be provided:

US \$ 1,000,000 combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.

This coverage will be subject to a maximum deductible of US \$25,000 in any one accident or occurrence.

(4) <u>Umbrella or Excess Liability</u>: On or prior to the initial Substantial Completion Date, Operator shall provide Umbrella or Excess Liability insurance on a "following form" basis. Coverage shall be excess of limits provided by Operator for Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability insurance. The aggregate limit shall apply separately to each annual policy period.

Limits to be provided:

\$100,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence; and \$100,000,000 aggregate limit

(5) <u>Fidelity</u>: On or prior to the initial Substantial Completion Date, Fidelity insurance providing coverage for employee dishonesty including theft, computer funds transfer fraud, alteration and forgery insuring loss of money, securities or other property resulting from any fraudulent or dishonest act committed by Operator's or any of its Affiliates' employees, whether acting alone or in collusion with others in an amount not less than \$10,000,000 and a deductible not greater than \$25,000 each loss.

Such insurance shall also include (a) a discovery period not less than 12 months, (b) loss by unidentified employees, (c) temporary employees, (d) automatic cover for all employees and officers and (e) auditor charges with a limit not less than \$20,000.

SCHEDULE 4 STANDING PROCEDURES

Operator shall:

1. Develop organization and staffing proposals for the Facility together with a human resources policy to include a profile of suitable recruits, training requirements, compensation package, terms of employment, mobilization requirements, industrial relations policy, union policy (if applicable) and job design;

2. Prepare a set of safety procedures for working on all electrical, mechanical and chemical items located at the Facility;

3. Prepare a system and procedure for the control of material modifications to the Facility;

4. Obtain or initiate all registers, documentation, or records required by Applicable Law and in accordance with International LNG Terminal Standards, including:

a. a register of all equipment tests subject to statutory inspection, including recording all test dates and results; and

b. a project status report, which shall be updated at regular intervals, in which the current conditions of all major items of plant and equipment is to be recorded, together with proposals and timing for major repair work and cost/benefit analyses;

5. Prepare and maintain a confidential Facility Security Plan (FSP) regarding Facility security including interface with the U.S. Coast Guard, Homeland Security and other Government Authorities;

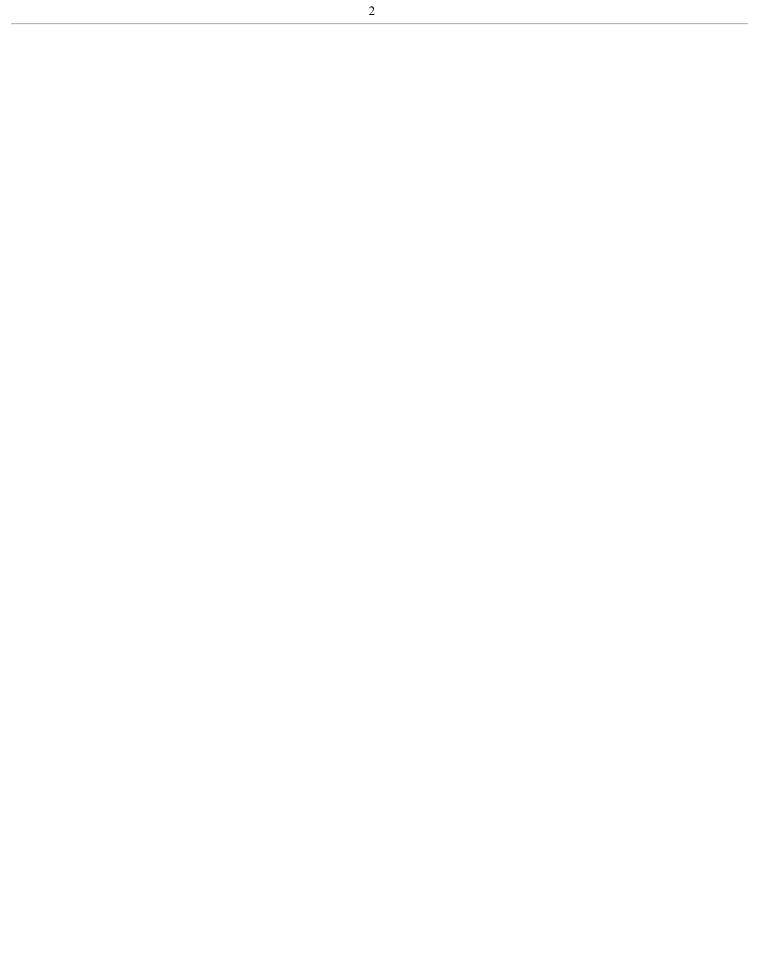
6. Prepare the O&M Procedures Manual which will contain the following specific manual instructions and procedures for the Facility:

- a. Safety;
- b. Operating Instructions;
- c. Laboratory procedures;
- d. Maintenance Instructions;
- e. Chemical handling and disposal procedures;
- f. Administration procedures;
- g. Incident reporting procedures;
- h. Security procedures;
- i. Performance monitoring procedures;
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- j. Planned maintenance schedules;
- k. First Aid;
- l. Fire Fighting;
- m. Emergencies;
- n. Environmental Compliance;
- o. Testing procedures;
- p. Emergency response plan;
- q. Spill prevention plan;
- r. Community emergency response plan;
- 7. prepare a work control system;
- 8. prepare a budget and expenditure control system;
- 9. prepare a stores and spares inventory recording and requisitions system; and

10. prepare a procedure for the procurement of all supplies and services required by Operator to perform its obligations hereunder, including Subcontractor control and supervision system and prepare a system for the review and updating of O&M Procedures Manual for the Facility.

- 11. prepare regulatory compliance and safe work practices procedures, including:
 - Access Control Plan and Procedures
 - Homeland Security Compliance Procedures
 - LNG Plant Operating
 Procedures
 - Valve Isolation Policy
 - Emergency Response Plan and Procedures
 - Site Safety Plan and Procedures
 - Safe Work Practices
 - DOT 199 Substance Abuse Prevention Program
 - Training and Operator Qualification Plan in accordance with DOT 193
 - LNG Marine Terminal Operating
 Procedures



- 12. Prepare General Operations Plans and Procedures, including:
 - IT Plan and Procedures
 - Budget Planning and
 Procedures
 - Facilities Integration and Shared Services Plan
 - Security Plan and Procedures
 - Management Control and Reporting; Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Annual KPI's and Reports
 - Meeting Schedules and Agenda
 - Plant Tours for Outside Visitors Plan and Procedures
 - Risk Management Plan and Risk Register
 - Contract Management Plan
 - Local Contracts Requirements for Materials and Services
 - Long Term Service
 Agreements
 - Maintenance Contracting Strategies and Selection
 - Radios, Telephones, Pagers, Satellite, Cellular Phone Plan
 - Measurement
 Manual
 - Vehicle Policies and Procedures
 - Management of Change Procedures
 - Medical Emergency Response Plan and Procedures
 - Waste Management, Collection and Disposal Plan
 - Maintenance Plan
 - Equipment and Vehicles Purchase, Receipt
 - Owner Equipment Handling Study
 - Operability Assurance Plan

- Startup and Commissioning Plan
- EPC Contractor Document Handover and Review

- 13. Prepare Recruitment and Staffing Plans including:
 - Manpower Plan Forecast
 - Job Positions and Titles
 - Recruitment Timeline
 - Competencies by Position Families
 - Position
 Descriptions
 - Detailed Training Matrix n Specialized Training
 - Local Content Plan
 - Recruitment and Interviewing of candidates
 - HR Policies and Procedures
 - Training and Operator Qualification Plan
 - Training Schedules, Logistics and Activities
 - Training Evaluation and Employee Assessment
- 14. Prepare Readiness Plan, including:
 - Procurement Plans and Procedures
 - Material Management Plan
 - Warehouse and Inventory Plan
 - 2 Year Operating and Capital Spare Review
 - Capital Spares Purchase, Receipt, Stocking
 - Shelving Plan, Design, Purchase, Receipt, Installation
 - Set Up Warehouse
 - Set Up Laboratory
 - Set Up Main Control Room

• Set Up Maintenance Shops

- 15. Provide CMMS Development including:
 - Review EPC Contractor documentation and data as well as load database and index provided by EPC Contractor
 - Reliability Centered Maintenance and Criticality Studies
 - Review integration with Shared Resources
 - Award Engineering Services
 Contract
 - Manage Resources and Engineering Services

SCHEDULE 5 LIST OF PROJECT CONTRACTS

- 1. Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement, dated November 11, 2011, between Owner and Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc.
- 2. Amended and Restated LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated January 25, 2012, between Owner and BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC.
- 3. LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated November 21, 2011, between Owner and Gas Natural Aprovisionamientos SDG S.A.
- 4. LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated January 30, 2012, between Owner and Korea Gas Corporation.
- 5. LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated December 11, 2011, between Owner and Gail (India) Limited.
- 6. LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated May 14, 2012, between Owner and Cheniere Marketing, LLC.
- 7. Lease Agreement, dated December 5, 2011, between Owner and Crain Lands, L.L.C
- 8. Lease Agreement, dated November 1, 2011, between Owner and Crain Lands, L.L.C

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

This **MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT** is made this May 14, 2012, by and between Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Manager") and Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Project Company"). The Manager and the Project Company are sometimes individually referred to as a "Party" and, collectively, referred to as the "Parties".

WHEREAS, the Project Company plans to acquire, construct, own, lease, develop, manage and operate, the Facility (as defined below) in Cameron Parish, Louisiana;

WHEREAS, the Project Company has, concurrently with the date hereof, entered into an Operations and Maintenance Agreement (the "O&M Agreement") with Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC (the "Operator") and Cheniere LNG O&M Services, LLC for the operation and maintenance of the Facility; and

WHEREAS, in consideration for the fees paid herein, the Project Company wishes to engage the Manager to manage all of its business and operations (including the Services) other than those services which are specifically to be provided by the Operator under the O&M Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, covenants and conditions contained in this Agreement, as well as for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 When used in this Agreement, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"AAA" has the meaning given in Section 8.2.

"AAA Rules" has the meaning given in Section 8.2.

"Adjustment" has the meaning given in Section 5.2.

"Affiliate" means a Person (other than a Party) that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, a Party to this Agreement, and for such purposes the terms "control", "controlled by" and other derivatives shall mean the direct or indirect ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting rights in a Person.

"Agreement" means this Management Services Agreement, as modified, supplemented or amended from time to time.

"Ancillary Expenses" means external audit, external tax (excluding outsourcing substantially all of such function), external legal (excluding outsourcing substantially all of such function) and financing fees incurred by the Manager on behalf of the Project Company that are necessary to perform the Services during any Operating Year.

"Base Rate" means the interest rate per annum equal to the lesser of (a) the prime rate (sometimes referred to as the base rate) for corporate loans as published by *The Wall Street Journal* in the money rates section on the applicable date (or if *The Wall Street Journal* ceases or fails to publish such a rate, the prime rate (or an equivalent thereof) in the United States for corporate loans determined as the average of the rates referred to as prime rate, base rate or the equivalent thereof, quoted by J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., or any successor thereof, for short term corporate loans in Texas on the applicable date) plus two percent (2%) or (b) the maximum lawful rate from time to time permitted by applicable law. The Base Rate shall change as and when the underlying components thereof change, without notice to any Person.

"BG SPA" means the Amended and Restated LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB) dated January 25, 2012 with BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC.

"Budget For Management Services" means the annual budget for Ancillary Expenses of the Project Company with respect to the Services to be provided by the Manager hereunder to be prepared by the Manager as described in Article 3.

"**Capacity Charge**" means (a) with respect to the BG SPA and the GN SPA, the Monthly Sales Charge, as defined thereunder, and (b) with respect to the Kogas SPA and the GAIL SPA, the constant component "Xy" of the contract sales price thereunder.

"Capacity Charge Shortfall Period" means any period in time during which the Project Company, as seller of LNG under any LNG SPA does not receive the full amount of the Capacity Charge in respect of such LNG SPA as a result of or in connection with (a) the failure of any LNG SPA to become effective on or prior to the CP Fulfillment Date (as defined in each respect LNG SPA) or (b) any failure of the buyer under any LNG SPA to pay a Capacity Charge (other than as a result of the Project Company's breach of the applicable LNG SPA).

"CMI SPA" means the LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement (FOB) between the Project Company and Cheniere Marketing, LLC, dated May 14, 2012.

"Confidential Information" has the meaning given in Section 12.1.

"CPI" means the United States Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as published from time to time by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor (All Urban Consumers, U.S., All Items, 1982-1984, Not Seasonally Adjusted, Series I.D. CUUR0000SA0), or if such index is no longer published then such other index as the Manager may select, by reference to any replacement index that is used in sales contracts of LNG produced by the Facility, and the Project Company shall approve, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld; <u>provided that</u>, if an incorrect value is published for such index, and such error is corrected and published within ninety (90) days of the date of the publication of such incorrect index, such corrected index will be substituted for the incorrect index and any calculations involving such index will be recalculated and the Parties will take any necessary actions based upon these revised calculations, including adjustments of amounts previously invoiced and/or paid.

"Dispute" means any dispute, controversy or claim (of any and every kind or type, whether based on contract, tort, statute, regulation or otherwise) arising out of, relating to or connected with this Agreement, including, without limitation, any dispute as to the construction, validity, interpretation, termination, enforceability or breach of this Agreement, as well as any dispute over arbitrability or jurisdiction or failure of the Project Company to approve a Budget For Management Services within thirty (30) days of its receipt of the Budget For Management Services.

"Dispute Notice" has the meaning given in Section 8.1.

"Effective Date" means the date first written above.

"EPC Contract" has the meaning given in the O&M Agreement.

"Facility" means the Project Company's facilities for the receipt of Natural Gas, the liquefaction of Natural Gas and the storage and send-out of LNG, which facilities are located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

"Force Majeure Event" means any circumstance or event beyond the reasonable control of a Party, including, without limitation, the following events:

- (a) explosion, fire, nuclear radiation or chemical or biological contamination, hurricane, tropical storm, tornado, lightning, earthquake, flood, unusually severe weather, natural disaster, epidemic, any other act of God, and any other similar circumstance;
- (b) war and other hostilities (whether declared or not), revolution, public disorder, insurrection, rebellion, sabotage, or terrorist action;
- (c) failure of any third party supplier, where the failure is due to an event which constitutes force majeure under the Manager's or the Project Company's contract with that party;
- (d) any action taken by any government authority after the date of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any order, legislation, enactment, judgment, ruling, or decision thereof;
- (e) Labor Disputes; and
- (f) major equipment failure;

but (i) no event or circumstance shall be considered to be a Force Majeure Event (x) to the extent such event or circumstance is due to the negligence, gross negligence, breach of this Agreement or willful misconduct of the Party claiming a Force Majeure Event or the Operator or (y) if such event or circumstance would have been avoided or prevented had the Manager exercised due diligence in the performance of the Services and (ii) Force Majeure Events shall expressly exclude (x) failure of a Subcontractor to perform its obligations under a Subcontract except as a result of a force majeure under its Subcontract and (y) a Party's financial inability to perform hereunder.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles, as consistently applied in the United States.

"GAIL SPA" means the LNG Purchase and Sale Agreement (FOB) dated December 11, 2011 between the Project Company and GAIL (India) Limited.

"Gas Supply Plan" means the gas supply plan for the Facility as adopted and approved by the GP Board.

"GN SPA" means the LNG Purchase and Sale Agreement (FOB) dated November 21, 2011 between the Project Company and Gas Natural Aprovisionamientos SDG S.A.

"GP Board" means the Board of Directors of Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC.

"Indexed" means that the amount to be indexed is to be multiplied on each anniversary of the Effective Date by a fraction, the numerator of which is the CPI on said anniversary of the Effective Date and the denominator of which is the CPI on the Effective Date.

"Kogas SPA" means the LNG Purchase and Sale Agreement (FOB) dated January 30, 2012 between the Project Company and Korea Gas Corporation.

"Labor Disputes" means any national, regional or local labor strikes, work stoppages, boycotts, walkouts, or other labor difficulties or shortages, including, without limitation, any of the foregoing which affects access to the Facility or the ability to ship or receive goods (including, without limitation, spare parts).

"LLC Agreement" means the LLC Agreement of Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC, as may be amended from time to time.

"LNG" means liquefied natural gas.

"LNG SPA" means each of the following LNG sale and purchase agreements entered into by Project Company as seller of LNG: (a) the BG SPA, (b) the GN SPA, (c) the Kogas SPA, and (d) the GAIL SPA.

"Loss" means any losses, liabilities, costs, expenses, claims, proceedings, actions, demands, obligations, deficiencies, lawsuits, judgments, awards, or damages.

"Manager" has the meaning given in the preamble hereto.

"Manager Event of Default" has the meaning given in Section 7.1.

"Manager Fee" has the meaning given in Section 6.2.

"Monthly Expenditures" has the meaning given in Section 6.4.

"Natural Gas" means any mixture of hydrocarbons and other gases consisting primarily of methane which at a temperature of sixty degrees Fahrenheit (60°F) and at an absolute pressure of 1.01325 bar is predominately in the gaseous state.

"O&M Agreement" has the meaning given in the recitals hereto.

"Operating Year" means each calendar year during the term of this Agreement; provided that the first Operating Year shall commence on the Effective Date.

"Operator" has the meaning given in the recitals hereto.

"Parties" and "Party" have the meaning given in the preamble hereto.

"**Person**" means any individual, sole proprietorship, corporation, trust, company, voluntary association, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, unincorporated organization, institution, governmental authority or any other legal entity.

"Pre-Completion Fee" has the meaning given in Section 6.1.

"Project Company" has the meaning given in the preamble hereto.

"Project Company Action" has the meaning given in Section 5.3.

"Project Company Event of Default" has the meaning given in Section 7.2.

"**Project Contract**" means any agreement related to the development, financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Facility to which the Project Company is a party other than this Agreement.

"Risk Management Policy" means the risk management policy for the Project Company as adopted and approved by the GP Board.

"Service Providers" means the Operator and each other Person hired by the Project Company, or by the Manager on behalf of the Project Company, to perform services for the Project Company, including, without limitation, Subcontractors and other providers of maintenance, repair and warranty services, certified public accountants, tax return preparers, law firms, engineering firms, and other professional advisors and consultants.

"Services" means managing all of the operations and business of the Project Company, including, without limitation, the Services listed on Appendix I hereto but excluding those services which are expressly to be provided by (a) the Operator under the O&M Agreement or (b) the Manager or any of its Affiliates (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) under any other operation and maintenance, management service or similar agreement or arrangement.

"Subcontract" means any subcontract entered into between the Manager and any Subcontractor for the furnishing of Services to be provided hereunder by the Manager.

"Subcontractor" means any Person party to a Subcontract with the Manager.

"Substantial Completion" has the meaning given in the O&M Agreement.

"Substantial Completion Date" has the meaning given in the O&M Agreement.

"Successor Manager" has the meaning given in Section 7.5.

"Termination Date" has the meaning given in Section 7.4.

"Termination Notice" has the meaning given in Section 7.4.

"Train" means an LNG production train located at the Facility.

ARTICLE 2

APPOINTMENT OF MANAGER

2.1 The Project Company hereby appoints and authorizes the Manager to provide all Services and the Manager hereby accepts the appointment and agrees to perform the Services in accordance with this Agreement. The Manager shall not enter into, amend, modify, supplement or terminate any material Subcontract for purposes of providing the Services without the consent of the Project Company. No Subcontract shall (a) relieve the Manager of its obligations hereunder or (b) result in an increase in the amount of the fees payable by the Project Company under Article 6 or the then-current or future Ancillary Expenses.

2.2 The Manager shall use such diligence, care and prudence in the performance of its duties hereunder, and shall devote such time, effort and skills as an ordinary manager in like position would do in like circumstances and shall perform its Services in good faith in compliance with applicable laws and the Project Contracts to which the Project Company is a party and in accordance with this Agreement. It is understood and agreed that the Manager does not guarantee or undertake to procure any financial, operational, accounting, legal or other outcome with respect to the Project Company or the Facility. The Manager will perform its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with established policies of its Affiliates relating to conflicts of interest, and in accordance the Gas Supply Plan and Risk Management Policy. Based on information known to the Manager at the time and subject to all contractual obligations of the Project Company and the obligations of the Manager under this Agreement, the Manager will not prioritize any of the interests of its Affiliates (excluding Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) in a manner adverse to the Project Company. The Project Company shall make available on a timely basis to the Manager true and complete copies of all Project Contracts, governmental approvals, plans and policies with respect to which the Project Company is to conduct Services under this Agreement.

2.3 The Manager shall not be liable to the Project Company for any Loss suffered or incurred by the Project Company or any third Person as a direct result of:

(a) the Manager's compliance with the terms of this Agreement or any Project Contract;

(b) the absence or lapse of any government approval, other than any absence or lapse resulting from the Manager's failure to comply with its obligations under this Agreement; or

(c) a contractor's failure to comply with its obligations under any Project Contract, except to the extent that such failure is a result of any negligence, willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement by the Manager.

2.4 If the Manager becomes aware of any event or circumstance which would prevent or materially delay its performance of any of its material obligations under this Agreement, it shall promptly notify the Project Company of such event or circumstance and shall attempt in good faith to minimize any such delay, provided, however, that the Manager shall not be obligated to undertake or perform any actions which are prohibited by contract or any applicable law or that would expose the Manager to any material liability or to any material expense which is not reasonably expected to be promptly reimbursed hereunder.

ARTICLE 3 BUDGETS

3.1 The Manager shall cooperate with and support the Operator in preparing any budget with respect to the O&M Agreement.

3.2 The Budget For Management Services shall be prepared by the Manager on an annual basis in consultation with, and subject to the written approval of, the Project Company. Not later than sixty (60) days after the Effective Date with respect to the first Operating Year and no later than forty-five (45) days before the beginning of each subsequent Operating Year, the Manager shall provide to the Project Company the proposed Budget For Management Services, which shall include, in such detail reasonably acceptable to the Project Company and on a month by month basis, its itemized estimate of all Ancillary Expenses expected to be incurred by or at the direction of the Manager during the current Operating Year, in the case of the Budget For Management Services for the Operating Years after the first Operating Year, in connection with providing the Services and in funding the activities contemplated by the Services to the extent such expenditures are not included in the budget for the O&M Agreement. All unbudgeted costs of providing the Services shall be borne by the Manager. The Manager acknowledges and agrees that no Budget For Management Services shall be borne by the Manager. The Manager acknowledges and agrees that no Budget For Management Services shall require payment or reimbursement of any costs and expenses incurred by the Manager, or its Affiliates in or with respect to any Operating Year prior to the Operating Year to which the Budget For Management Services relates. In the event that the Project Company fails to provide its approval with respect to a Budget For Management Services based on the terms of this Agreement. With respect to Budget For Management Services for Operating Year, until the matter is resolved pursuant to Article 8, the Budget For Management Services for current Services for Management Services for Management Services for Management Services for Management

From the Effective Date until the initial issuance of the Class B Units in Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. to Blackstone CQP Holdco LP, any operating plans and budgets under this Agreement shall be interim and subject to review at the determination of the GP Board.

ARTICLE 4

EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM

4.1 The initial term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and unless sooner terminated as provided herein, shall continue in full force and effect until twenty (20) years after the Substantial Completion Date of the last Train to attain Substantial Completion. The term of this Agreement shall continue for twelve (12) months following the end of the initial term and for each twelve (12)-month period following each anniversary of the end of the initial term unless terminated prior the end of any such twelve (12)-month period by the Manager or the Project Company. This Agreement shall automatically terminate upon and concurrently with the dissolution or termination of the Project Company.

ARTICLE 5

REPRESENTATIVES, INFORMATION AND AGREEMENTS

5.1 The Manager shall provide the Project Company and any member of the GP Board with such reports as are required or reasonably requested from time to time by Project Company or such member of the GP Board, as applicable, and shall comply with those reporting requirements prescribed by applicable laws or set out in the Project Contracts, the Budget For Management Services or any government approval. If the Project Company or a member of the GP Board requests any report, contract, agreement, arrangement, document or other information relating to or in connection with the Facility or the Services (including, without limitation, any Subcontracts, other third party contracts and any agreements or arrangements related thereto), the Manager shall use reasonable efforts (subject to the provisions of any confidentiality or similar agreement to which the Manager is a party) to obtain such report, contract, agreement, arrangement, document or other information at the request of the Project Company or such member of the GP Board, as applicable, and shall submit such report, contract, agreement, arrangement document or other information to the Project Company or such member of the GP Board, as applicable, and shall submit such report, contract, agreement, arrangement document or other information to the Project Company or such member of the GP Board, as applicable, and shall submit such report, contract, agreement, arrangement document or other information to the Project Company or such member of the GP Board, as applicable, as soon as reasonably practicable following such request. The Project Company may from time to time specify any changes to be made to any of the formats for any report or plan (including, without limitation, any Budget For Management Services) required hereunder. The relevant revised format shall be adopted by the Manager with effect from the date of such revision and shall be applied in relation to the first period to which such report or plan relates commencing after receipt of Project Company's not

5.2 Prior to the Project Company entering into any amendment, modification or supplement to a Project Contract, or any other agreement that may affect the performance of the Services by the Manager (such amendment, modification or supplement or other agreement, an "Adjustment"), the Manager shall determine the impact (if any) of such Adjustment on any then-effective Budget For Management Services, this Agreement and/or the Manager's performance of the Services hereunder, and shall notify the Project Company in writing its cost to comply with such Adjustment without incurring material additional cost or administrative burden under this Agreement, and the current Budget For Management Services shall be deemed as appropriate to include such additional cost; provided that such Adjustment to the Project Company, along with reasonable detail related thereto, and (b) the Project Company's written approval of such Adjustment after receipt of such written notice which approval will not be unreasonably withheld.

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5.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Parties acknowledge and agree that (a) the Project Company and any representatives thereof shall act at the direction of the GP Board as determined by the LLC Agreement, and (b) any actions of the Project Company under the CMI SPA that are not routine actions shall require the approval of the GP Board, and (c) no approval (including, without limitation, approval of the Budget For Management Services and entering into agreements on behalf of Project Company), consent, determination, decision, waiver, consultation or other similar action of the Project Company, through a representative or otherwise, under or with respect to this Agreement (each, a "Project Company Action") shall be deemed to occur and be effective without the prior written approval of (i) the GP Board and (ii) to the extent the GP Board does not have authority to take such action under the LLC Agreement without approval of the Executive Committee (as defined in the LLC Agreement), as determined by the GP Board, the Executive Committee, (d) any notice provided to the Project Company by the Manager in connection with performance of Services, termination of Services, Disputes or the Budget For Management Services shall be provided concurrently to the GP Board, and (e) the Project Company shall be entitled to, and, upon request, shall, provide the GP Board with all documentation, reports and other materials received under this Agreement; <u>provided that</u> the GP Board may delegate its authority to direct the Project Company and/or approve Project Company Actions in its sole discretion, subject to any limitations in the LLC Agreement, and such delegation of authority shall be provided in writing to the Manager.

ARTICLE 6

FEES AND PAYMENT

6.1 From and after the Effective Date of this Agreement, the Project Company shall pay the Manager a monthly fee equal to two point four percent (2.4%) of the capital expenditures in the previous month (the "Pre-Completion Fee"); <u>provided</u> that no monthly fee under this Section 6.1 shall be payable with respect to any capital expenditures related to any Train after all payments under the EPC Contract by the Project Company with respect to such Train have been made.

6.2 Following the Substantial Completion of each Train, the Project Company shall pay the Manager a fixed monthly fee of five hundred forty-one thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty-six cents (\$541,666.66) for Services with respect to such Train (the "Manager Fee"). The Manager Fee shall be prorated on a daily basis for each day from the date of Substantial Completion of the applicable Train until the end of the month in which the Substantial Completion of such Train occurs. The Manager Fee shall thereafter be payable monthly as set forth below for the duration of the term of this Agreement and shall be Indexed on an annual basis.

6.3 As soon as practicable after the end of each month, but in any case within thirty (30) days after the end of each month, the Manager shall submit an invoice reflecting the Manager Fee (if any), and the Ancillary Expenses (if any), and Pre-Completion Fee (if any) incurred during the previous month, including, without limitation, documentation identifying and substantiating in reasonable detail the nature of such Ancillary Expenses and the basis for reimbursement thereof. The Project Company shall pay any Manager Fee, any Pre-Completion Fee and any Ancillary Expenses on or before the thirtieth (30th) day after it receives an invoice for such fees and expenses. In connection with the Pre-Completion Fee, the Manager shall provide the Project Company with a written report evidencing the capital expenditures in the previous month, including, without limitation, documentation identifying and substantiating in reasonable detail the nature of such any Ancillary Expenses on or before the thirtieth (30th) day after it receives an invoice for such fees and expenses. In connection with the Pre-Completion Fee, the Manager shall provide the Project Company with a written report evidencing the capital expenditures in the previous month, including, without limitation, documentation identifying and substantiating in reasonable detail the nature and amount of such capital expenditures. Amounts not paid by the thirtieth (30th) day after the Project Company receives an invoice related thereto shall bear interest at the Base Rate from the due date until paid. The payments described in this Section 6.3 shall be the sole payments made by the Project Company to the Manager and its Affiliates in respect of costs and expenses incurred by the Manager and its Affiliates in connection with the Services

6.4 Concurrently with its monthly submission of any invoice, the Manager shall provide a statement showing (a) all expenditures made in the previous month pursuant to this Agreement, including, without limitation, expenditures pursuant to any approved Budget For Management Services, (b) any other expenditures made by Manager during such month (the expenditures described in subsections (a) and (b), collectively, "Monthly Expenditures") and (c) reasonable detail regarding the nature and amount of each Monthly Expenditure to verify it was properly incurred, including, without limitation, receipts, cost accounting coding, and other information as the Project Company may reasonably request. The Project Company or its designee shall have the right to carry out at the Project Company's expense audit tasks of a financial, technical, or other nature in relation to the Services once each Operating Year upon not less than thirty (30) days (or such shorter period if required by applicable law) prior notice to the Manager. The Manager shall make available, at the Facility or at the Manager's home office location, to the Project Company or its designee, and the Project Company or its designee shall have the right to review, all contracts, books, records, and other documents relating to the Services provided by the Manager, and the Project Company or its respective designee may make such copies thereof or extracts therefrom as the Project Company or such designee may deem appropriate. The Manager shall use reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things required to be done, in connection with any financial report prepared by or on behalf of the Project Company, including, without limitation, preparing or arranging for the preparation of reports, certificates, schedules, and opinions.

6.5 The Manager shall retain copies of invoices submitted by it and copies of any third party invoices or similar documentation supporting claims for Ancillary Expenses or Monthly Expenditures for a minimum period of two (2) years.

ARTICLE 7

EVENTS OF DEFAULT; TERMINATION; FORCE MAJEURE; CAPACITY CHARGE SHORTFALL

7.1 The following circumstances shall each constitute an event of default on the part of the Manager ("Manager Event of Default") under this Agreement:

(a) the bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution, or cessation of the business of the Manager;

(b) the Manager fails to obtain and maintain insurance required to be obtained and maintained by it under this Agreement which failure continues for thirty (30) days after the Manager's receipt of written notice of such failure from the Project Company;

(c) the Manager assigns its rights under this Agreement except as permitted hereunder;

(d) the Manager ceases to provide all Services required to be performed by it hereunder for ten (10) consecutive days except as required or permitted hereunder; or

(e) a material failure by the Manager to perform its obligations hereunder (including, without limitation, the performing of Services) which continues for thirty (30) days after the Manager's receipt of written notice of such failure from the Project Company which notice shall include the Project Company's recommendation for a cure of such failure, unless the Manager commences to cure such failure within said thirty (30) days and cures such failure within seventy-five (75) days after its receipt of the aforesaid notice.

7.2 The following circumstances shall each constitute an event of default on the part of the Project Company ("Project Company Event of Default") under this Agreement:

(a) the bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution, or cessation of the business of the Project Company;

(b) a material failure by the Project Company to perform its obligations hereunder which continues for thirty (30) days after the Project Company's receipt of written notice of such failure, unless the Project Company commences to cure such failure within said thirty (30) days and either cures or continues to diligently attempt the cure of such failure; or

(c) a default by the Project Company in its payment obligations to the Manager, unless the Project Company has cured such breach within thirty (30) days from receipt of written notice of such default from the Manager.

7.3 Rights Upon Event of Default and Other Events

(a) Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a Manager Event of Default, the Project Company shall have the right in its sole and absolute discretion to do any or all of the following: (i) terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 7.4; (ii) obtain specific performance of the Manager's obligations hereunder; (iii) perform (or engage a third party to perform) the Manager's obligations hereunder in exchange for (A) a reduction in the Ancillary Expenses included in the Budget For Management Services associated with such obligations are equal to the reasonable costs of, or incidental to, performing (or engaging a third party to perform) such obligations and (B) to the extent such costs exceed such Ancillary Expenses included in the Budget For Management Services, a reduction in the Manager Fee payable for the remainder of the applicable Operating Year equal to such excess); and (iv) subject to Article 8, pursue any and all other remedies available at law or in equity.

(b) Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a Project Company Event of Default, the Manager shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to do any or all of the following: (i) terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 7.4; and (ii) subject to Article 8, pursue any and all other remedies available at law or in equity.

7.4 In the event of a Manager Event of Default or Project Company Event of Default, the non-defaulting Party may give a written notice of termination to the other Parties (a "Termination Notice") which shall specify in reasonable detail the circumstances giving rise to the Termination Notice. Except for any rights and obligations set forth in Section 7.5 and Article 9, this Agreement shall terminate on the date specified in the Termination Notice ("Termination Date"), which date shall not be earlier than the date upon which the applicable Party is entitled to effect such termination as provided herein.

7.5 Upon receipt of a Termination Notice from the Project Company, the Manager shall use all reasonable efforts to facilitate the appointment and commencement of duties of any Person to be appointed by the Project Company to provide the Services (the "Successor Manager") so as not to disrupt the normal operation of the Facility and shall provide full access to the Facility and to all relevant information, data, and records relating thereto to the Successor Manager and its representatives, and accede to all reasonable requests made by such Persons in connection with preparing for taking over the management of the Facility.

Promptly after termination, the Manager shall deliver to (and shall, with effect from termination, hold in trust for and to the order of) the Project Company or to the Successor Manager all property in its possession or under its control owned by the Project Company or leased or licensed to the Project Company. All books, records, and any other items furnished as part of the Services hereunder or at direct cost to the Project Company shall be delivered to the Successor Manager.

The Manager, to the extent allowed by such agreements and approvals, shall transfer to the Successor Manager, as from the date of termination, its rights as the Manager under all contracts entered into by it (including, without limitation, any Subcontracts), and all government approvals obtained and maintained by it, in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement or relating to the Facility. Pending such transfer, the Manager shall hold its rights and interests thereunder for the account and to the order of the Project Company, the Successor Manager, or the Project Company's designee. The Project Company shall indemnify the Manager for all liabilities incurred by the Manager under such contracts to the extent that such liabilities are caused by the Project Company, the Successor Manager, or the extent relating to the continuation and performance of such contracts by the Project Company, the Successor Manager, or the Project Company's designee, as applicable. The Manager shall execute all documents and take all other commercially reasonable actions to assign and vest in the Project Company all rights, benefits, interest, and title in connection with such contracts.

Upon written request from the Project Company to the Manager, on or prior to the Termination Date, the Manager shall provide the services of its employees as may be required or reasonably requested by the Project Company to enable the Project Company to manage the Facility and perform the Services for a period of up to ninety (90) days following the Termination Date. The written request invoking this provision may be included in the Termination Notice provided in Section 7.4, and shall provide the Project Company's good faith estimate of how many days the Manager's services will be required post-Termination Date, up to the ninety (90) days specified herein. Subject to any limitations set forth herein, the Manager's reasonable expenses, as set forth in the then-current Budget For Management Services or as otherwise reasonably incurred and agreed by the Parties in connection with the transition, shall be paid by the Project Company, and additionally the Project Company shall pay Manager, for the period for which the Project Company requests the Manager, to provide Services hereunder after the Termination Date, the Manager Fee, including if applicable, a pro rated amount for any partial month, based upon the number of days elapsed in such month.

7.6 Neither Party shall be in default in the performance of any of its obligations under this Agreement or liable to the other Party for failing to perform its obligations hereunder (other than the obligation to pay money when due) to the extent prevented by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event; <u>provided</u> that, upon a Force Majeure Event that is a Labor Dispute, the Manager shall use commercially reasonable efforts to

resolve such Labor Dispute as soon as reasonably practicable.

7.7 The Party affected by a Force Majeure Event shall:

(a) provide prompt written notice to the other of the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event, which notice shall provide details with respect to the circumstances constituting the Force Majeure Event, an estimate of its expected duration, and the probable impact on the performance of its obligations hereunder;

(b) use all reasonable efforts to continue to perform its obligations hereunder;

(c) take all reasonable action to correct or cure the event or condition constituting the Force Majeure Event;

(d) use all reasonable efforts to mitigate or limit the adverse effects of the Force Majeure Event, to the extent such action would not adversely affect its own interests; and

(e) provide prompt written notice to the other Party of the cessation of the Force Majeure Event.

7.8 Following the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event or the continuance of a Capacity Charge Shortfall Period, the Manager (a) shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate or limit the amount of Ancillary Expenses until the effects of the Force Majeure Event are remedied or such Capacity Charge Shortfall Period has ended, (b) shall consult with the Project Company with respect to its plan to mitigate or limit such Ancillary Expenses, (c) shall reduce or eliminate the Manager Fee as appropriate to reflect modifications to levels of Service provided, and (d) shall take such actions as are reasonably directed by the Project Company after consultation with the Manager. The Project Company shall continue to pay such reduced Ancillary Expenses and the Manager Fee as provided herein.

ARTICLE 8

REMEDIES AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

8.1 In the event that any Dispute (including, without limitation, the breach, termination or invalidity thereof, and whether arising out of tort or contract) cannot be resolved informally within thirty

(30) days after the Dispute arises, either Party may give written notice of the Dispute (a "Dispute Notice") to the other Party and the GP Board requesting that a representative of the Project Company's senior management and the Manager's senior management and one or more representatives of the GP Board meet in an attempt to resolve the Dispute. Each such representative shall meet at a mutually agreeable time and place within thirty (30) days after receipt by the non-notifying Party and the GP Board of such Dispute Notice, and thereafter as often as they deem reasonably necessary to exchange relevant information and to attempt to resolve the Dispute. If such representatives agree to resolve any Dispute, such proposed resolution shall be submitted in writing, with reasonable detail regarding the terms thereof, to the GP Board and shall become effective solely upon the GP Board's written approval thereof. In no event shall this Section 8.1 be construed to limit either Party's right to take any action under this Agreement. The Parties agree that if any Dispute is not resolved within ninety (90) days after receipt of the Dispute Notice given in this Section 8.1 (including, without limitation, due to failure of the GP Board to approve any proposed resolution), then either Party may by notice to the other Party and the GP Board refer the Dispute to be decided by final and binding arbitration in accordance with Section 8.2.

8.2 Any arbitration held under this Agreement shall be held in Houston, Texas, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, shall be administered by the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") and shall, except as otherwise modified by this Section 8.2, be governed by the AAA's International Arbitration Rules (the "AAA Rules"). The number of arbitrators required for the arbitration hearing shall be determined in accordance with the AAA Rules. The arbitrator(s) shall determine the rights and obligations of the Parties according to the substantive law of the State of Texas, excluding its conflict of law principles, as would a court for the state of Texas. The Parties shall be entitled to engage in reasonable discovery, including, without limitation, the right to production of relevant and material documents by the opposing Party and the right to take depositions reasonably limited in number, time and place; provided that in no event shall any Party be entitled to refuse to produce relevant and non-privileged documents or copies thereof requested by the other Party within the time limit set and to the extent required by order of the arbitrator(s). All disputes regarding discovery shall be promptly resolved by the arbitrator(s). This agreement to arbitrate is binding upon the Parties, and their successors and permitted assigns. At either Party's option, any other Person may be joined as an additional party to any arbitration conducted under this Section 8.2, provided that the party to be joined is or may be liable to either Party in connection with all or any part of any dispute between the Parties. The arbitration award shall be final and binding, in writing, signed by all arbitrators, and shall state the reasons upon which the award thereof is based. The Parties agree that judgment on the arbitration award may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof.

8.3 Notwithstanding any Dispute, it shall be the responsibility of each Party to continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement pending resolution of Disputes.

ARTICLE 9 INDEMNITY AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

9.1 The Manager shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Project Company against any and all Losses of whatever kind and nature, including, without limitation, all related costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, in respect of personal injury to or death of third parties

and in respect of Loss of or damage to any third party property to the extent that the same arises out of:

- (a) any breach by the Manager of its obligations hereunder;
- (b) any negligent act or omission on the part of the Manager; and
- (c) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Manager.

Any indemnification payable by the Manager to the Project Company hereunder shall be net of any insurance proceeds received by the Project Company under insurance policies with respect to the circumstances giving rise to the Manager's indemnification of the Project Company hereunder.

9.2 The aggregate amount of damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Project Company under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities incurred in any Operating Year shall be limited to, and shall in no event exceed, an amount equal to the fees payable to the Manager under Article VI plus reimbursable Ancillary Expenses for such Operating Year; provided that the foregoing limitation does not apply in the event of fraud or an intentional breach of this Agreement by the Project Company. The aggregate amount of damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities payable by the Manager under this Agreement for damages, compensation, or other such liabilities incurred in any Operating Year plus a withholding of any such fees remaining to be paid to the Manager. In the event that any subsidiaries of Manager (other than Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries) transfers, directly or indirectly, their limited partnership interest in Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. to any of its Affiliates which are not direct or indirect subsidiaries of the Manager or Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. to any of its Affiliates which are not direct or indirect subsidiaries of the Manager or Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. to be jointly liable with the Manager for its obligations under this Article 9.

9.3 THE MANAGER SHALL NOT BE LIABLE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR UNDER ANY CAUSE OF ACTION RELATED TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, WARRANTY, TORT, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY, PRODUCT LIABILITY, CONTRIBUTION, OR ANY OTHER CAUSE OF ACTION FOR SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL LOSSES OR DAMAGES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, LOSS OF PROFIT, LOSS OF USE, LOSS OF OPPORTUNITY, LOSS OF REVENUES, OR LOSS OF GOOD WILL; PROVIDED THAT THE FOREGOING SHALL NOT APPLY TO INDEMNITIES EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE 9 TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY APPLY TO THIRD PARTY CLAIMS.

The Manager and the Project Company agree that (i) the Louisiana Oilfield Anti-Indemnity Act, LA. REV.STAT. § 9:2780, and (ii) LA. REV.STAT.2780.1, et seq., are inapplicable to this Agreement and the performance of the Services. Application of these statutory provisions to this Agreement would be contrary to the intent of the Parties, and each Party hereby irrevocably waives any contention that these statutory provisions are applicable to this Agreement or the Services. In

addition, it is the intent of the Parties that in the event that either of the aforementioned statutory provisions were to apply, each Party shall provide insurance to cover the losses contemplated by such statutory provisions and assumed by each such Party under the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, and the Manager agrees that the payments made to the Manager hereunder compensate the Manager for the cost of premiums for the insurance provided by it under this Agreement. The Parties agree that each Party's agreement to support their indemnification obligations by insurance shall in no respect impair their indemnification obligations.

ARTICLE 10

INSURANCE

10.1 To the extent that such insurance is available to the Project Company on commercially reasonable terms and conditions, the Manager shall cause the Project Company to obtain and maintain insurance for physical loss or damage to the Facility and general liability insurance relating to the Facility to the extent required under any contracts or agreements to which the Project Company is a party. All policies obtained by the Project Company relating to the Facility (other than policies covering third party liability) shall be primary to any insurance taken out by the Manager covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and the Manager. All policies obtained by the Project Company covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and primary to any insurance taken out by the Project Company covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and primary to any insurance taken out by the Project Company covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and primary to any insurance taken out by the Project Company covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and primary to any insurance taken out by the Project Company covering the same risks to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and the Manager.

10.2 To the extent that such insurance is available to the Manager on commercially reasonable terms and conditions, the Manager shall obtain or cause to be obtained and maintained the insurance described in Appendix II hereto. The Manager shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that each Subcontractor obtains and maintains insurance which is customarily provided by Persons providing similar services as such Subcontractor.

10.3 Each Party shall provide notice to the other Party within ten (10) days of its receipt of a notice of cancellation, non-renewal or any material reduction in coverage or limits of any insurance described in this Article 10. The insurance maintained by a Party shall also provide that its insurers waive all rights of subrogation against the other Party and its Affiliates and representatives (other than with respect to gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Manager, to the extent separate policies are procured by the Manager and Project Company, or their respective Subcontractors) and that the other Party and its representatives and Affiliates are named as additional insureds under such policies (except workers' compensation/employer's liability insurance), to the extent separate policies are procured by the Project Company and the Manager. Each Party shall, promptly after having obtained any such policy or policies, provide the other Party with a certificate of insurance and shall notify the other Party in writing of any changes therein from time to time or, prior to so doing, of the cancellation of any such policy or policies.

10.4 Each Party shall promptly furnish the other Party with all information reasonably available to it as is necessary to enable the other Party to comply with its disclosure obligations under the insurance which it has taken out. Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party of any claim with respect to any of the insurance policies referred to herein, accompanied by full details of the incident giving rise to such claim. Each Party shall afford to the other Party all such assistance as may reasonably be required for the preparation and negotiation of insurance claims, save where such claim is against the Party required to give assistance.

ARTICLE 11

RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES; REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

11.1 This Agreement is solely and exclusively between the Manager and the Project Company, and any obligations created herein shall be the sole obligations of the Parties with respect to the subject matter described herein. Neither Party shall have recourse to any parent, partner, subsidiary, joint venturer, Affiliate, director or officer of the other Party for performance of such obligations, unless such obligations are assumed in writing by the Person against whom recourse is sought.

11.2 The Manager represents and warrants to the Project Company that all personnel providing Services hereunder are and will be fully qualified to provide the Services to be provided by the Manager under this Agreement in accordance with the terms hereof.

11.3 In all cases where the Manager's employees (defined to include the direct, borrowed, special, or statutory employees of Subcontractors of any tier) are performing Services in or offshore the state of Louisiana or are otherwise covered by the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Act, La. R.S. 23:1021, et seq., the Project Company and the Manager agree that the Services performed by the Manager, Subcontractors of any tier, and the Manager's, and Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees pursuant to this Agreement are an integral part of and are essential to the ability of the Project Company to generate the Project Company's goods, products, and work for the purpose of La. R.S. 23:1061(a)(1). Furthermore, the Project Company and the Manager agree that the Project Company is the statutory employeer of the Manager's and Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees for purposes of La. R.S. 23:1061(a)(3), and that the Project Company shall be entitled to the protections afforded a statutory employer under Louisiana law. Regardless of the Project Company's status as the statutory or special employer (as defined in La. R.S. 23:1031(c)) of the employees of Manager and Subcontractors of any tier, and regardless of any other relationship or alleged relationship between such employees and the Project Company, the Manager shall be and remain at all times primarily responsible for the payment of all workers compensation and medical benefits to the Manager's, Subcontractors' (of any tier) employees, and neither Manager, nor Subcontractors, nor their respective insurers or underwriters shall be entitled to seek contribution or indemnity for any such payments from Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. or its subsidiaries (including, without limitation, the Project Company).

ARTICLE 12

CONFIDENTIALITY

12.1 Confidential Information. Subject to Section 12.2, the Manager shall keep confidential all matters relating to the Services, the Facility, the Project Contracts, and this Agreement, and will not disclose to any Person, any information, data, experience, know-how, documents, manuals, policies or procedures, computer software, secrets, dealings, transactions, or affairs of or relating to the Project Company, the Project Contracts, or this Agreement (the "Confidential Information").

12.2 Permitted Disclosure. The restrictions on disclosure of Confidential Information by the Manager shall not apply to the following:

(a) any matter which is already generally available and in the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure by the Manager or is otherwise known to the Manager from a source that is not in violation of a confidentiality obligation to the Manager;

(b) any disclosure which may reasonably be required for the performance of the Manager's obligations under this Agreement; or

(c) any disclosure which may be required for the compliance by the Manager with applicable laws or for the purposes of legal proceedings, if the Manager has notified the Project Company prior to any such disclosure.

12.3 Additional Undertakings of Manager. The Manager further undertakes:

(a) to limit access to Confidential Information to its employees, officers, directors, attorneys, agents, or other representatives who reasonably require the Confidential Information to ensure the satisfactory performance of the Services;

(b) to inform each of its Subcontractors officers, directors, attorneys, agents, employees and other representatives to whom Confidential Information is disclosed of the restrictions on disclosure of such information as set forth herein and to use reasonable efforts to ensure that all such Persons comply with such instructions; and

(c) upon receipt of a written request from the Project Company and, in any event, upon completion of the Services or earlier termination of this Agreement to return to the Project Company all documents, papers, computer programs, software or records containing Confidential Information, if so requested by the Project Company.

ARTICLE 13

MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 This Agreement represents the entire agreement between the Parties relative to the matters set forth in this Agreement. No modification, amendment, or other change to this Agreement will be binding on any Party unless executed in writing by both Parties and the Executive Committee.

13.2 The terms, covenants, representations, warranties and conditions of this Agreement may be waived only by written instrument executed by the Party waiving compliance. The failure of any Party at any time or times to require performance of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the right at a later date to enforce the same. No waiver by any Party of any condition or of the breach of any provision, term, covenant, representation or warranty contained in this Agreement, whether by conduct or otherwise, in any one or more instances shall be deemed to be or construed as a further or continuing waiver of any such condition or of the breach of any other provision, term, covenant, representation or warranty contained in this Agreement.

13.3 This Agreement shall be governed, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

13.4 The invalidity or unenforceability, in whole or in part, of any of the sections or provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such sections or provisions. If any material provision of this Agreement is held invalid or unenforceable, the Parties shall promptly renegotiate in good faith new provisions to replace such invalid or unenforceable provision so as to restore this Agreement as nearly as possible to its original intent and effect.

13.5 The Parties acknowledge and agree that Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC is a third party beneficiary to this Agreement with respect to all rights of the GP Board and the Executive Committee, as applicable, and shall have the right to take any and all actions against the Parties hereto to enforce such rights. Except as set forth in the immediately preceding sentence, this Agreement is for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Parties hereto and shall not create a contractual relationship with, or cause of action in favor of, any third party.

13.6 The Manager shall not assign or otherwise transfer all or any of its rights under this Agreement. Any assignment by the Manager shall be null and void and have no force or effect.

13.7 The Parties agrees to execute and deliver to each other such additional documents and to take such additional actions and provide such cooperation as may be reasonably required and requested by the other Party to consummate the transactions contemplated by, and to effect the intent of, this Agreement.

13.8 The Appendices to this Agreement form part of this Agreement and will be of full force and effect as though they were expressly set out in the body of this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the other terms, conditions, and provisions of this Agreement and the appendices, the other terms conditions, and provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

13.9 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and if so executed by each Party hereto, all copies together shall constitute a single agreement.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Management Services Agreement as of the date first written above.

<u>Manager</u>:

Cheniere LNG Terminals, Inc. 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

By:	/s/ Meg A. Gentle
Name:	Meg A. Gentle
Title:	Chief Financial Officer

Project Company:

Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC 700 Milam Street, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002

By:	/s/ R. Keith Teague
Name:	R. Keith Teague
Title:	President

[Signature Page to Management Services Agreement]

<u>Appendix I</u>

Services

- 1. Maintaining or providing for maintenance of the principal office and registered office of the Project Company, acting as the registered agent of the Project Company, and maintaining the books and records of the Project Company.
- Taking actions to maintain the continued existence of the Project Company, its qualification to do business and its registration under any applicable assumed or fictitious name, statute or similar law in each state in which the Project Company owns property or transacts business.
- 3. Exercising the day-to-day management of the Project Company's affairs and business.
- 4. Providing or arranging for the necessary human resources and other administrative support necessary to perform the Services or cause the Services to be performed, including, without limitation, in the Manager's discretion relying on contractual arrangements with other personnel and Service Providers who are Affiliates of the Manager.
- 5. Managing the Project Company's regulatory matters, including, without limitation, Federal Energy Commission, Department of Energy and tax reporting.
- 6. Procuring and maintaining all required governmental approvals and permits and prepare and submit all filings which are required to be made thereunder; provided that if responsibility therefor has been delegated to a Service Provider, the Manager shall supervise and monitor such Service Provider's performance of such delegated activity or duty.
- 7. Preparing business planning and forecasting reports from time to time for the benefit of the Project Company.
- 8. Providing invoices and collecting on behalf of the Project Company, or causing to be so collected, all payments due to the Project Company, and promptly (but in no event later than the date such payment is due and payable) remitting or directing to be remitted from funds of the Project Company amounts in payment of the expenses and expenditures of the Company, including, without limitation, aging payables and receivables, making borrowing and other requests of the Project Company's lenders and their agents, and managing letter of credit and outside credit sources; provided that nothing herein shall imply any guarantee or undertaking by the Manager with respect to the collection of amounts due to the Project Company which remain uncollected after commercially reasonable efforts by the Manager.
- 9. Arranging for the purchase or leasing, at the sole expense of the Project Company, any materials, commodities, including, without limitation, water and electricity, but excluding Natural Gas, LNG and Natural Gas Liquids (which Service is covered by clauses 23 and 24 below), supplies and equipment necessary for the performance of the Services to the extent permitted by the Project Company's agreements with its lenders, and nothing herein shall imply any duty of the Manager under any circumstances to expend its own funds in payment of the expenses of the Project Company.

- 10. Determining the need for, establishing and making draws under the Project Company's capital facilities and establish appropriate reserves, in each case as it determines necessary to meet the Project Company's cash flow requirements and cause such funds to be deposited into the Project Company's accounts.
- 11. Maintaining bank and brokerage accounts, financial books and records of the Project Company's business and operations in accordance with prudent business practices and generally accepted accounting practices.
- 12. Preparing and filing or causing to be prepared and filed on behalf of the Project Company on a timely basis all federal, state and local tax returns and related information and filings required to be filed by the Project Company, paying out of the Project Company's funds all taxes and other governmental charges shown to be due thereon before they become delinquent and making all tax elections believed by the Manager to be necessary or desirable for the Project Company and its partners.
- 13. Within forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, preparing together with the Operator, (i) a status report relating to the Facility's operations for such quarter, which will detail variances between actual and forecasted performance, and include (A) information on utilization and efficiencies of physical operations and (B) a projection of forecasted performance for the remaining quarters of the calendar year if there is material change from the previous forecast for the same period, and (ii) an unaudited internal financial statement and income statement for such quarter prepared in accordance with GAAP.
- 14. Providing contract administration services for all contracts associated with the Facility, including, without limitation, daily management reports, supervising and monitoring the Service Providers with respect to their performance of services for the Project Company, and where necessary or desirable and with the consent of the Project Company, at the Project Company's sole expense, enforcing the compliance of each Service Provider with its obligations to the Project Company, provided that the Manager's responsibility for matters which are subject to the Project Company's arrangements with Service Providers shall consist solely of such supervision, monitoring and enforcement and shall not include responsibility for the proper performance of any such matters.
- 15. If required by the Project Company's lenders, causing the Project Company's certified public accountant to prepare, review and submit annual audited financial statements for the Project Company, prepared in accordance with GAAP as soon as reasonably possible and in any event within one hundred and twenty (120) days after the end of each calendar year, and assist and cooperate with the Project Company's certified public accountant in connection with all audits made of the Project Company's books and records.

- 16. Representing the Project Company in business matters with, and maintain good relations with, the Service Providers and other third parties, and execute on behalf of the Project Company such additional documents reasonably deemed necessary or desirable by the Manager to effectuate the transactions and agreements necessary for the operation and management of the Facility in the normal course of business.
- 17. Making arrangements for the Project Company to obtain and maintain all insurance required by the O&M Agreement and any other agreement obligating the Facility with respect to insurance, and such other insurance as is necessary and prudent; provided that, in no event shall the Manager be responsible or liable for Project Company's failure to obtain or maintain insurance where such insurance is not commercially available to Facility.
- 18. Not taking any action as would cause the Project Company to violate or be in violation in any material respect of any federal, state or local laws and regulations, including, without limitation, environmental laws and regulations, and to the extent that the Manager has knowledge of any such existing or prospective violation take, or direct Service Providers to take, commercially reasonable actions, at the sole expense of the Project Company to redress or mitigate any such violation.
- 19. Using all reasonable efforts to cause the Project Company to take all actions required and perform all of its obligations under the Project Contracts and not take any action as would reasonably be expected to cause the Project Company to violate or be in violation of any Project Contract, and to the extent the Manager has knowledge of any existing or prospective violation take, or direct Service Providers (including, without limitation, the Operator) to take, commercially reasonable actions, at the sole expense of the Project Company, or such Service Provider as the case may be, to redress or mitigate any such violation.
- 20. Negotiating agreements on behalf of the Project Company and providing administrative, accounting, marketing and other commercial services related to the marketing and sale of LNG and Natural Gas, including, without limitation, maintaining prudent customer relations with counterparties to all agreements.
- 21. Providing credit and risk management services, including, without limitation, establishing and maintaining risk policy, and credit lines, verifying compliance with risk policy, risk reporting, deal capture, analyzing and monitoring the credit status of suppliers and transporters, purchasers and other contractual counterparties to the extent not prohibited by the agreements that the Project Company has with its lenders, and procuring and managing third party systems related to the Services listed in clauses 22, 25 and 26 below, including, without limitation, trade capture and risk systems (such as Entegrate or ZaiNet Analytics and other similar technology-related systems).
- 22. Supervising and monitoring the counterparties to the agreements referred to in clauses 23 and 24 below with respect to their performance of services for the Project Company, and where necessary or desirable and with the consent of the Project Company, at the Project Company's sole expense, enforce the compliance of each counterparty to the agreements referred to in clauses 23 and 24 below with its obligations to the Project Company, provided that the Manager's responsibility for matters which are subject to the Project Company's arrangements with counterparties to the agreements referred to in clauses 23 and 24 below shall consist solely of such supervision, monitoring and enforcement and shall not include responsibility for the proper performance of any such matters.

- 23. Negotiating on behalf of the Project Company, and subject to the limitations set forth in clause 22 above, arranging for the performance on behalf of the Project Company under, all contracts for the purchase, sale, transportation and storage of Natural Gas and hedging of Natural Gas price risks, including, without limitation, long term, short term and spot purchases and sales of Natural Gas.
- 24. Negotiating on behalf of the Project Company, and subject to the limitations set forth in clause 22 above, arranging for the performance on behalf of the Project Company under, all contracts for the purchase, sale, transportation and storage of LNG and Natural Gas liquids and hedging of LNG and Natural Gas liquids price risks, including, without limitation, long term, short term and spot purchases and sales of LNG and Natural Gas liquids, charter party contract, canal transit agreements, tug agreements, port liability agreements and fuel hedging
- 25. Managing the Natural Gas supply and sales for the Facility, including, without limitation, hedging of price risks, scheduling and nominations, intraday swing management, daily feed/fuel management, optimizing feed gas supply, manage Natural Gas supply during disruptions, transportation capacity releases and storage management and optimization. Nothing herein shall imply any duty of the Manager under any circumstances to expend its own funds in payment of the expenses of the Project Company.
- 26. Managing the supply, storage, purchases, sales and transportation of LNG and Natural Gas liquids for the Facility, including, without limitation, hedging of price risks, access to alternate sources of LNG, creation and management of annual delivery plan and delivery windows, optimizing feed gas supply, optimizing LNG storage and inventory, vessel and fuel optimization.
- 27. Preparing the Gas Supply Plan to be approved by the Project Company and implementing any changes to such plan as reasonably requested by the Project Company.
- 28. Performing any other tasks reasonably requested by the Project Company in connection with the management of the Project Company's business and operations.

Appendix II

<u>Insurance</u>

Insurance to be Maintained By the Manager

The Manager will procure or cause to be procured and maintain in full force and effect at all times on or after the Effective Date (unless otherwise specified herein) and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement (unless otherwise specified herein), insurance policies with insurance company (ies) authorized to do business in the States of Louisiana and Texas (if required by law or by regulation) with a (i) a Best Insurance Rating of "A-" or better and a financial strength rating of "VII" or higher, or (ii) a Standard & Poor's financial strength rating of "BBB+" or higher, or (iii) other companies acceptable to the Project Company, with limits and coverage provisions set forth below:

(1) Workers Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance: The Manager shall comply with all applicable law with respect to workers' compensation requirements and other similar requirements where the Services are performed. Such coverage shall include coverage for all states and other applicable jurisdictions, voluntary compensation coverage, alternate employer endorsement and occupational disease. If the Services are to be performed on or near navigable waters, the policy(ies) shall include coverage for United States Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers Act, and, if applicable, coverage for the Death on the High Seas Act, the Jones Act, the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act and any other applicable law regarding maritime law. A maritime employer's liability policy may be used to satisfy applicable parts of this requirement with respect to Services performed on navigable waters. If the Manager is not required by applicable law to carry Workers' Compensation insurance, then the Manager shall provide the types and amounts that are mutually agreed between the Manager and the Project Company.

Limits to be provided:

Workers' Compensation: Statutory Employer's Liability: US \$1,000,000 each accident, US \$1,000,000 disease each employee, US \$1,000,000 disease policy limit.

(2) <u>Commercial General Liability</u>: Commercial General Liability insurance on an occurrence basis covering against claims occurring anywhere in the world for the Manager's liability for bodily injury (including bodily injury and death), property damage (including loss of use) and personal injury. Such insurance shall provide coverage for products and completed operations, blanket contractual, broad form property damage and independent contractors.

Limits to be provided:

- US \$1,000,000 combined single limit in any one occurrence;
- US \$1,000,000 general aggregate;
- US \$ 1,000,000 products and/or completed operations aggregate.

This coverage will be subject to a maximum deductible of US \$250,000 in any one occurrence.

(3) <u>Automobile Liability</u>: Commercial Automobile Liability covering the Manager's liability arising out of claims for bodily injury and property damage for all owned and non-owned, leased or hired vehicles of the Manager, including loading and unloading thereof and appropriate no-fault provisions wherever applicable.

Limit to be provided:

US \$ 1,000,000 combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.

This coverage will be subject to a maximum deductible of US \$25,000 in any one accident or occurrence.

(4) <u>Umbrella or Excess Liability</u>: Umbrella or Excess Liability insurance on a "following form" basis. Coverage shall be excess of limits provided by the Manager for Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability insurance. The aggregate limit shall apply separately to each annual policy period.

Limits to be provided:

\$100,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence; and

\$100,000,000 aggregate limit.

(5) Fidelity: On or prior to the initial Substantial Completion Date, Fidelity insurance providing coverage for employee dishonesty including theft, computer funds transfer fraud, alteration and forgery insuring loss of money, securities or other property resulting from any fraudulent or dishonest act committed by the Manager's or any of its Affiliates' employees, whether acting alone or in collusion with others in an amount not less than \$10,000,000 and a deductible not greater than \$25,000 each loss.

Such insurance shall also include (a) a discovery period not less than 12 months, (b) loss by unidentified employees, (c) temporary employees, (d) automatic cover for all employees and officers and (e) auditor charges with a limit not less than \$20,000.00

LNG SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

(FOB)

Dated MAY 14, 2012

BETWEEN

SABINE PASS LIQUEFACTION, LLC

(Seller)

AND

CHENIERE MARKETING, LLC

(Buyer)

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LNG SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS LNG SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT ("**Agreement**") is made and entered into as of May 14, 2012 (the "**Effective Date**"), by and between Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company whose principal place of business is located at 700 Milam St., Suite 800, Houston, TX 77002 ("**Seller**"), and Cheniere Marketing, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company whose principal place of business is located at 700 Milam St., Suite 800, Houston, TX 77002 ("**Seller**"). Buyer and Seller are each referred to herein as a "**Party**" and collectively as the "**Parties**".

Recitals

- (1) Seller's Affiliate, Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. ("SPLNG"), owns and operates a liquefied natural gas ("LNG") receiving and regasification terminal situated on the Pass Channel of the Sabine Neches Waterway in southwest Cameron Parish, Louisiana;
- (2) Seller is developing and intends to construct, own and operate liquefaction facilities of up to four (4) LNG production trains which will be operated simultaneously with a portion of the currently existing LNG import capacity at the Sabine Pass Facility, making the Sabine Pass Facility a bi-directional LNG import and export terminal;
- (3) SPLNG provides berthing, storage, regasification, and other services at the Sabine Pass Facility to Cheniere Energy Investments, LLC, an Affiliate of Seller;
- Seller has entered into long-term agreements for the sale to Third Party buyers of eight hundred thirty-four million (834,000,000)
 MMBtu of annual production from the Sabine Pass Facility;
- (5) Buyer desires to purchase LNG at the Sabine Pass Facility up to a maximum amount of one hundred and four million (104,000,000) MMBtu, and transport such LNG to one or more Discharge Terminals; and
- (6) Seller and Buyer desire to execute a definitive agreement setting out the Parties' respective rights and obligations in relation to the sale and purchase of LNG.

It is agreed:

1. Definitions and Interpretation

1.1 Definitions

The words and expressions below shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meanings respectively assigned to them:

AAA: as defined in Section 21.1.2;

a credit rating that is at least Baa3 by Moody's Investors Service Ltd. or BBB- by Standard & Acceptable Credit Rating: Poor's Financial Services LLC or Fitch Ratings Ltd.; Acceptable Letter of Credit: an irrevocable standby letter of credit, in a form that is usual and customary, issued by a financial institution with an Acceptable Credit Rating in favor of Seller; ACQ: as defined in Section 5.1.1; Actual Laytime: as defined in Section 7.12.2; Adverse Weather Conditions: weather or sea conditions actually experienced at or near the Sabine Pass Facility that are sufficiently severe: (i) to prevent an LNG Tanker from proceeding to berth, or loading or departing from berth, in accordance with one or more of the following: (a) regulations published by a Governmental Authority; (b) an Approval; or (c) an order of a Pilot; (ii) to cause an actual determination by the master of an LNG Tanker that it is unsafe for such LNG Tanker to berth, load, or depart from berth; or (iii) to prevent or severely limit the production capability of the Sabine Pass Facility; Affiliate: (a) with respect to Seller, Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., or any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries is controlled by Seller or Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P., and (b) with respect to Buyer, any Person (other than Seller, Seller's Affiliates, or except as noted below, CEGP) that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by or is under common control with Buyer; for purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the direct or indirect ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting rights in a Person or the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities or otherwise; provided, however, that for purposes of this Agreement, CEGP shall only be deemed to be an Affiliate of Buyer to the extent that

	CEGP directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by or is under common control with Buyer and acts (i) outside the scope of its agreement with Seller governing operations of the Sabine Liquefaction Facility; or (ii) contrary to instructions from Seller;
Agreement:	this agreement, including the Schedules and Exhibits hereto, as the same may be amended, modified or replaced from time to time;
Allocated Cargo:	as defined in Section 9.2.1;
Allotted Laytime:	as defined in Section 7.12.1;
Annual Delivery Program or ADP:	as defined in Section 8.2.3;
Annual Payment Threshold Amount:	for any Contract Year:
	(a) commencing prior to the date on which the third Train becomes commercially operable, eighteen million (18,000,000) MMBtu;
	(b) during which the third Train becomes commercially operable, a quantity equal to the sum of (i) eighteen million (18,000,000) MMBtu, <i>multiplied by</i> the total number of Quarters in such Contract Year that commence prior to the date on which the third Train becomes commercially operable, <i>divided by</i> four (4), and (ii) thirty-six million (36,000,000) MMBtu, <i>multiplied by</i> the total number of Quarters in such Contract Year that commence on or after such date, <i>divided by</i> four (4); and
	(c) at any time thereafter, thirty-six million (36,000,000) MMBtu;
	provided <i>that</i> for any Contract Year that is less than a full calendar year, the Annual Payment Threshold Amount shall be a proportionately lower number, based on the number of Days that such Contract Year falls short of a full calendar year;
Annual Ranked List:	as defined in Section 9.3.4(a);
Anticipated ACQ Increase Day:	as defined in Section 8.6.1;

in relation to matters covered by this Agreement, all applicable laws, statutes, rules, regulations, **Applicable Laws:** ordinances, codes, standards and rules of common law, and judgments, decisions, interpretations, orders, directives, injunctions, writs, decrees, stipulations, or awards of any applicable Governmental Authority or duly authorized official, court or arbitrator thereof, in each case, now existing or which may be enacted or issued after the Effective Date; any and all permits (including work permits), franchises, authorizations, approvals, grants, Approvals: licenses, visas, waivers, exemptions, consents, permissions, registrations, decrees, privileges, variances, validations, confirmations or orders granted by or filed with any Governmental Authority, including the Export Authorizations; as defined in Section Available Quantity: 5.1.3; with respect to any Person: (a) such Person's suspension of payment of, or request to any court for **Bankruptcy Event:** a moratorium on payment of, all or a substantial part of such Person's debts; (b) such Person's making of a general assignment or any composition with or for the benefit of its creditors except to the extent otherwise permitted by Section 22; (c) any filing, or consent by answer by such Person to the filing against it, of a petition for relief or reorganization or arrangement or any other petition in bankruptcy, for liquidation or to take advantage of any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar law of any jurisdiction; or (d) any order under the bankruptcy or insolvency laws of any jurisdiction: (i) entered for the winding up, bankruptcy, liquidation, dissolution, custodianship or administration with respect to such Person or any substantial part of such Person's property; (ii) constituting an order for relief with respect to such Person; (iii) approving a petition for relief or reorganization or any other petition in bankruptcy or insolvency law with respect to such Person; or (iv) approving any petition filed in bankruptcy or insolvency law against such Person; Bcf: one billion SCF;

BG SPA:	the Amended and Restated LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated January 25 th , 2012, between BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC and Seller;
BG SPA Ratability Requirement:	as defined in Section 8.1.3;
Btu:	the amount of heat equal to one thousand fifty-five decimal zero five six (1,055.056) Joules;
Business Day:	any Day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays in the United States of America) on which commercial banks are normally open to conduct business in the United States of America;
Buyer:	as defined in the preamble to this Agreement;
Buyer Taxes:	as defined in Section 11.3;
Buyer's Annual Additional Payment:	as defined in Section 9.3.4(b) (i);
Buyer's Loss Carryover:	an amount (in USD) in respect of each Quarter, as calculated pursuant to Section $9.2.4(a)(i)$ or $9.2.4(b)(x)$, as applicable;
Buyer's Per Cargo Net Profit:	as defined in Section 9.2.4;
Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit:	as defined in Section 9.2.2;
Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit: as def	ined in Section 9.2.5;
Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payment:	as defined in Section 9.3.2(c);
Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs:	as defined in Section 9.2.3;
Cargo DoP Credit:	as defined in Section 5.3.2;
Cargo DoP Quantity:	as defined in Section 5.3.2;
Cargo Quarterly Additional Payment:	as defined in Section 9.3.2(c);
Cargo Shortfall Quantity:	as defined in Section 5.2.2;
CEGP:	Cheniere Energy Partners GP, LLC;
Claim:	all claims, demands, legal proceedings, or actions that may exist, arise, or be threatened currently or in the

	future at any time following the Effective Date, whether or not of a type contemplated by any Party, and whether based on federal, state, local, statutory or common law or any other Applicable Law;
Composite ADP:	as defined in Section 8.2.4;
Conditions Precedent:	as defined in Section 2.2.1;
Confidential Information:	as defined in Section 19.1;
Connecting Pipeline:	each of the Creole Trail Pipeline, the Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline, or such other pipeline as may be interconnected to the Sabine Pass Facility, as applicable;
Contract Year:	as defined in Section 4.4;
Cover Damages:	as defined in Section 5.2.3(a);
CP Deadline:	as defined in Section 2.2.3;
CP Fulfillment Date:	as defined in Section 2.2.2;
Creole Trail Pipeline:	that certain Gas pipeline, owned and operated by Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., which interconnects with the Sabine Pass Facility in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and extends for approximately ninety-two (92) miles to a point of interconnection with major interstate Gas pipelines near De Quincy, Louisiana; and which may in the future be extended by approximately fifty (50) miles (upon such election by Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P.) to a point of interconnection with a major interstate Gas pipeline near Rayne, Louisiana;
CSP:	as defined in Section 9.1;
Cubic Meter:	in relation to Gas, the quantity of dry ideal Gas, at a temperature of fifteen (15) degrees Celsius and a pressure of one hundred one decimal three two five (101.325) kilopascals absolute contained in a volume of one (1) cubic meter;
Date of First Commercial Delivery:	as defined in Section 4.2;
Day:	a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours

	starting at 00:00 hours local time in Cameron Parish, Louisiana;
DC:	with respect to any Allocated Cargo, the actual amounts paid or incurred by Seller (other than amounts paid or payable to an Affiliate of Seller) to transport and deliver Gas from the point of purchase to the Sabine Liquefaction Facility or to secure supply of Gas (excluding costs included in GP) as required for Seller to sell and deliver such Allocated Cargo, inclusive of pipeline demand charges, supply demand charges, transportation commodity charges, fuel use and unaccounted for charges and volumes (the cost of such unaccounted for volumes being calculated in the same manner as GP plus any DC applicable to such volumes), storage costs, imbalance penalties, park and loan costs and similar charges, and surcharges, in each case as determined by Seller acting in good faith; <i>provided, however</i> , that in each case the amounts were paid or incurred (i) subsequent to Seller's notification to Buyer pursuant to Section 5.1.1 of the ACQ for the applicable Contract Year, or (ii) on a transparent, non-discriminatory basis, and in either case, incurred for the purpose of enabling Seller to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement;
Delivery Point:	as defined in Section 6.1;
Delivery Window:	a twenty-four (24) hour period starting at 6:00 a.m. Central Time on a specified Day and ending twenty-four (24) consecutive hours thereafter that is allocated to Buyer under the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule, as applicable;
Demurrage Event:	as defined in Section 7.12.3;
Designated Train:	the first Train that is commercially operable, as determined in accordance with Section 4.3.1;
Direct Agreement:	as defined in Section 22.4.2;
Discharge Terminal:	with respect to each cargo of LNG taken or scheduled to be taken by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, the facilities intended by Buyer to be utilized for the unloading, reception, discharge, storage, treatment (if necessary), and regasification of LNG and the

	processing and send-out of Gas or regasified LNG, and other relevant infrastructure, including marine facilities (such as breakwaters and tugs) for the safe passage to berth of LNG Tankers, terminal facilities for the berthing and discharging of LNG Tankers, LNG storage tanks and the regasification plant as specified in the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule, as applicable;
Dispute:	any dispute or difference of whatsoever nature arising under, out of, in connection with or in relation (in any manner whatsoever) to this Agreement or the subject matter of this Agreement, including (a) any dispute or difference concerning the initial or continuing existence of this Agreement or any provision of it, or as to whether this Agreement or any provision of it is invalid, illegal or unenforceable (whether initially or otherwise); or (b) any dispute or claim which is ancillary or connected, in each case in any manner whatsoever, to the foregoing;
Effective Date:	as defined in the preamble to this Agreement;
ETA:	with respect to an LNG Tanker, the estimated time of arrival of such LNG Tanker at the PBS;
Expert:	a Person agreed upon or appointed in accordance with Section 21.2.1;
Export Authorizations:	the FTA Export Authorization and the Non-FTA Export Authorization, either individually or together (as the context requires);
FID:	as defined in Section 2.2.1(c);
Final Window Period:	as defined in Section 4.2.4;
First Contract Year:	as defined in Section 4.4(a);
First Window Period:	as defined in Section 4.2.1;
Force Majeure:	as defined in Section 14.1;
Foundation Customer:	BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC, Gas Natural Aprovisionamientos SDG S.A., Korea Gas Corporation, GAIL (India) Limited, and any other customer of Seller, other than Buyer or any Affiliate

	of either Buyer or Seller, that enters into an LNG purchase agreement for the purchase and export of no less than zero decimal seven (0.7) million metric tonnes per annum of LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility, with a minimum term of twenty (20) years and an effective date on or prior to the FID for such customer's designated LNG production train located at the Sabine Pass Facility; <i>provided</i> , <i>however</i> , that with respect to any customer of Seller that is a Foundation Customer as of the Effective Date, such customer shall only be a Foundation Customer in respect of the annual contract quantity of such customer that is in effect as of the Effective Date;
Foundation Customer Priority:	as defined in Section 14.7;
FTA Country:	any nation with which the United States of America has in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas;
FTA Export Authorization:	that certain order number 2833 of the Office of Fossil Energy of the U.S. Department of Energy, dated September 7 th , 2010, granting to Seller the long-term, multi-contract authorization to export up to the equivalent of sixteen million (16,000,000) tons per annum (approximately 803 Bcf per year) of LNG by vessel from the Sabine Pass Facility for a thirty (30) year term, as the same may be supplemented, amended, modified, changed, superseded or replaced from time to time;
GAIL SPA:	the LNG sale and purchase agreement between Seller and GAIL (India) Limited, dated December 11, 2011;
Gas:	any hydrocarbon or mixture of hydrocarbons consisting predominantly of methane that is in a gaseous state;
Governmental Authority:	any national, regional, state, or local government, or any subdivision, agency, commission or authority thereof (including any maritime authorities, port authority or any quasi-governmental agency), having jurisdiction over a Party (or any Affiliate thereof), a Connecting Pipeline, Gas in a Connecting Pipeline or the Sabine Pass Facility, the Sabine Pass Facility, LNG in the Sabine Pass Facility, an LNG Tanker, a

	Transporter, the last disembarkation port of an LNG Tanker, a Discharge Terminal, or any Gas pipeline which interconnects with a Connecting Pipeline and which transports Gas to or from a Connecting Pipeline, as the case may be, and acting within its legal authority;
<i>GP</i> :	with respect to any Allocated Cargo, the actual amounts paid or incurred by Seller to acquire Gas required for Seller to sell and deliver such Allocated Cargo to Buyer hereunder, inclusive of fees and commissions, as determined by Seller acting in good faith; provided, however, that in each case the amounts were paid or incurred (i) subsequent to Seller's notification to Buyer pursuant to Section 5.1.1 of the ACQ for the applicable Contract Year, or (ii) on a transparent, non-discriminatory basis, and in either case, incurred for the purpose of enabling Seller to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement;
Gross Heating Value:	the quantity of heat expressed in Btu produced by the complete combustion in air of one (1) cubic foot of anhydrous gas, at a temperature of sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of fourteen decimal six nine six (14.696) pounds per square inch, with the air at the same temperature and pressure as the gas, after cooling the products of the combustion to the initial temperature of the gas and air, and after condensation of the water formed by combustion;
НН:	the final settlement price (in USD per MMBtu) for the New York Mercantile Exchange's Henry Hub natural gas futures contract for the Month in which the relevant cargo's Delivery Window is scheduled to begin;
ICC:	as defined in Section 21.2.1;
Indemnified Party:	as defined in Section 15.3(a);
Indemnifying Party:	as defined in Section 15.3(a);
International LNG Terminal Standards:	to the extent not inconsistent with the express requirements of this Agreement, the international standards and practices applicable to the design, construction, equipment, operation or maintenance of

	LNG receiving and regasification terminals or LNG liquefaction terminals, as the case may be, established by the following (such standards to apply in the following order of priority): (i) a Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the Sabine Pass Facility, Seller, or Seller's operator; (ii) the Society of International Gas Tanker and Terminal Operators (to the extent applicable); and (iii) any other internationally recognized non-governmental agency or organization with whose standards and practices it is customary for Reasonable and Prudent Operators of LNG receiving and regasification terminals or LNG liquefaction terminals, as the case may be, to comply; <i>provided, however</i> ; that in the event of a conflict between any of the priorities noted above, the priority with the lowest roman numeral noted above shall prevail;
International LNG Vessel Standards:	the standards and practices from time to time in force applicable to the ownership, design, equipment, operation or maintenance of LNG vessels established by: (i) the International Maritime Organization; (ii) the Oil Companies International Marine Forum (OCIMF); (iii) the Society of International Gas Tanker and Terminal Operators (SIGTTO) (or any successor body of the same); (iv) the International Navigation Association (PIANC); (v) the International Association of Classification Societies; and (vi) any other internationally recognized agency or non-governmental organization with whose standards and practices it is customary for Reasonable and Prudent Operators of LNG vessels similar to those applicable to this Agreement, to comply, <i>provided</i> , <i>however</i> , that in the event of a conflict between any of the priorities noted above, the priority with the lowest roman numeral noted above shall prevail;
International Standards:	(i) with respect to Buyer, the International LNG Vessel Standards; (ii) with respect to Seller, the International LNG Terminal Standards;
In-Transit First Notice:	as defined in Section 7.9.2;
In-Transit Second Notice:	as defined in Section 7.9.3(a);
In-Transit Third Notice:	as defined in Section 7.9.3(c);

Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline:	a high pressure gas pipeline owned and operated by Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which extends approximately one hundred and thirty-seven (137) miles east and north from, and interconnects with, the Sabine Pass Facility;
Lender:	any Person, other than an Affiliate of either Party, duly authorized in its principal place of business to lend monies, to finance or to provide financial support in any form in respect of the Sabine Pass Facility, including any export credit agency, funding agency, bondholder, insurance agency or similar institution in relation to the provision of finance or financial support;
Lenders' Agent:	as defined in Section 22.4.1;
LIBOR:	on or from any Day, the percentage rate per annum published two (2) London Banking Days before that Day (or, if that Day is not a London Banking Day, published two (2) London Banking Days before the nearest preceding London Banking Day) at 11:00 a.m. London time, by the British Bankers Association that appears on the Reuters Screen LIBOR01 page as three (3) Month USD LIBOR or, if no such rate is published, such other rate representing the cost of three (3) Month USD funds in the London interbank lending market on that Day as reasonably agreed by the Parties;
LNG:	Gas in a liquid state at or below its point of boiling and at or near atmospheric pressure;
LNG Tanker(s):	an ocean-going vessel suitable for transporting LNG which complies with the requirements of this Agreement and which Buyer uses, or intends to use, in connection with this Agreement;
Loading Port:	the port where the Sabine Pass Facility is located, in the vicinity of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, or the port at an alternate supply source pursuant to Section 3.1.2;
London Banking Day:	any Day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays in London, England) on which

banks are normally open to conduct business in London, England; Loss: any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, judgments, settlements and expenses (whether or not resulting from Claims by Third Parties), including interest and penalties with respect thereto and reasonable attorneys' and accountants' fees and expenses; Maximum ACQ: for any Contract Year: (a) commencing prior to the date on which the third Train becomes commercially operable, fiftytwo million (52,000,000) MMBtu; (b) during which the third Train becomes commercially operable, a quantity equal to the sum of (i) fifty-two million (52,000,000) MMBtu, *multiplied by* the total number of Quarters in such Contract Year that commence prior to the date on which the third Train becomes commercially operable, divided by four (4), and (ii) one hundred and four million (104,000,000) MMBtu, multiplied by the total number of Quarters in such Contract Year that commence on or after such date, *divided by* four (4); and (c) at any time thereafter, one hundred and four million (104,000,000) MMBtu; provided that for any Contract Year that is less than a full calendar year, the Maximum ACQ shall be a proportionately lower number, based on the number of Days that such Contract Year falls short of a full calendar year; Measurement Dispute: defined in Section as 21.2.1; Mitigation Sale: defined in Section as 5.2.3(b); **MMBtu:** million (1,000,000)one Btus; Month: each period of time that starts at 00:00 local time in Cameron Parish, Louisiana on the first Day of each calendar month and ends at 24:00 local time in

	Cameron Parish, Louisiana on the last Day of the same calendar month;
Ninety Day Schedule:	as defined in Section 8.4;
Non-FTA Country:	any country that is not an FTA Country;
Non-FTA Export Authorization:	that certain order number 2961 of the Office of Fossil Energy of the U.S. Department of Energy, dated May 20 th , 2011, granting to Seller the long-term, multi-contract authorization to export up to the equivalent of 803 Bcf per year of LNG by vessel from the Sabine Pass Facility for a twenty (20) year term, as the same may be supplemented, amended, modified, changed, superseded or replaced from time to time;
Notice of Readiness or NOR:	the notice of readiness issued by an LNG Tanker in accordance with Section 7.10.1;
Off-Spec LNG:	as defined in Section 12.3.1;
Operational Tolerance:	as defined in Section 5.2.3(c);
P&I Club:	a Protection and Indemnity Club that is a member of the International Group of P&I Clubs;
P&I Insurance:	as defined in Section 15.5(b);
Party:	Buyer or Seller, and <i>Parties</i> means both Buyer and Seller;
Payor:	as defined in Section 11.4;
PBS:	the customary Pilot boarding station at the Loading Port where the Pilot boards the LNG Tanker, as determined by the applicable Governmental Authority or other entity with authority to regulate transit and berthing of vessels at the Loading Port;
Person:	any individual, corporation, partnership, trust, unincorporated organization or other legal entity, including any Governmental Authority;
Pilot:	any Person engaged by Transporter to come on board the LNG Tanker to assist the master in pilotage, mooring and unmooring of such LNG Tanker;

Port Charges:	all charges of whatsoever nature (including rates, tolls, dues, fees, and imposts of every description) in respect of an LNG Tanker entering or leaving a port or loading or unloading LNG, including wharfage fees, in-and-out fees, line handling charges, and charges imposed by fire boats, tugs and escort vessels, the U.S. Coast Guard, a Pilot, and any other authorized Person assisting an LNG Tanker to enter or leave a port, and further including port use fees, throughput fees and similar fees payable by users of the port (or by Seller or its operator on behalf of such users) to the West Cameron, Louisiana Port Commission and Jefferson County, Texas Waterway and Navigation District or to any authority with respect to any unloading port;
Port Liability Agreement:	an agreement for use of the port and marine facilities located at the Loading Port, to be entered into as described in Section 7.7.1, in the form attached in Exhibit B hereto as may be amended pursuant to Section 7.7.4;
Provisional Invoice:	as defined in Section 10.1.6(a);
Quarter	the period of three calendar Months beginning on January 1 st , April 1 st , July 1 st or October 1 st , as the case may be;
Quarterly Ranked List:	as defined in Section 9.3.1;
Quarterly Payment Threshold Amount:	for each Quarter (a) that commences prior to the date on which the third Train becomes commercially operable, four million five hundred thousand (4,500,000) MMBtu, and (b) that commences on or after such date, nine million (9,000,000) MMBtu;
Reasonable and Prudent Operator:	a Person seeking in good faith to perform its contractual obligations, and in so doing, and in the general conduct of its undertaking, exercising that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced operator, complying with all applicable International Standards and practices and regulations and approvals of Governmental Authorities, engaged in the same

	type of undertaking under the same or similar circumstances and conditions;
Regasification Capacity Users:	from time to time, Persons purchasing LNG terminalling services from SPLNG, regardless of the short-term or long-term duration of the underlying terminal use agreement;
Rules:	as defined in Section 21.1.2;
Sabine Liquefaction Facility:	the facilities that Seller is developing and intends to construct, own and operate adjacent to, or at the same location as the existing LNG receiving and regasification terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana owned by SPLNG, including the liquefaction trains and associated facilities, both inside and outside the LNG plant, the Gas pretreatment and processing facilities, and all other related facilities inclusive of the Designated Train and all other trains;
Sabine Pass Facility:	(a) the existing LNG receiving and regasification terminal owned by SPLNG, including storage tanks, utilities, jetties, berthing and marine facilities, and all other related facilities; and (b) the Sabine Liquefaction Facility;
Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual:	as defined in Section 7.8;
SCF:	for Gas, the quantity of anhydrous Gas that occupies one (1) cubic foot of space at a temperature of sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit and a pressure of fourteen decimal six nine six (14.696) pounds per square inch absolute;
Scheduled Cargo Quantity:	the quantity of LNG (in MMBtu) identified in the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule to be loaded onto an LNG Tanker in a Delivery Window in accordance with Section 8;
Second Window Period:	as defined in Section 4.2.2;
Seller:	as defined in the preamble to this Agreement;
Seller Aggregate Liability:	as defined in Section 15.2.6(b);
Seller Liability Cap:	as defined in Section 15.2.6(c);

Seller Taxes:	as defined in Section 11.2;
SI:	the International System of Units;
Specifications:	as defined in Section 12.1.1;
SPLNG:	as defined in the Recitals;
Term:	as defined in Section 4.1.1;
Terminating Party:	as defined in Section 20.2.1;
Termination Events:	as defined in Section 20.1;
Third Party:	a Person other than a Party;
Third Party Claim:	as defined in Section 15.3(a);
Third Party LNG SPA:	(a) any agreement for the sale and purchase of LNG that Seller enters into with a Foundation Customer with respect to any LNG that Seller intends to produce from the Sabine Pass Facility, and (b) any agreement for the sale and purchase of a quantity of LNG that directly or indirectly replaces in whole or in part the annual contract quantity of any sale and purchase agreement referred to in part (a) of this definition (which replacement agreement may be on any terms and conditions accepted by Seller in its sole discretion, subject to Section 5.1.4 and provided the requirements of part (b) of this definition are satisfied);
Third Window Period:	as defined in Section 4.2.3;
Train:	an LNG production train located at the Sabine Liquefaction Facility, including those facilities included in the Sabine Pass Facility that are necessary to enable Seller to fulfill its obligations to Buyer from such LNG production train;
Transporter:	any Person who is a registered or disponent owner of, or any Person who contracts with the same or with Buyer, or with any Person who is scheduled to take delivery at the Sabine Pass Facility of a cargo made available by Buyer for the purposes of providing, operating, or chartering any of the LNG Tankers; and

1.2 Interpretation

For purposes of this Agreement:

- **1.2.1** The titles, headings, and numbering in this Agreement are included for convenience only and will have no effect on the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.
- **1.2.2** References in this Agreement to Sections and Exhibits are to those of this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. References to this Agreement and to agreements and contractual instruments will be deemed to include all exhibits, schedules, appendices, annexes, and other attachments thereto and all subsequent amendments and other modifications to such instruments, to the extent such amendments and other modifications are not prohibited by the terms of this Agreement.
- **1.2.3** The word "include" or "including" will be deemed to be followed by "without limitation." The term "will" has the same meaning as "shall," and thus imposes an obligation.
- **1.2.4** Whenever the context so requires, the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular, and the gender of any pronoun includes the other gender.
- **1.2.5** Unless otherwise indicated, references to any statute, regulation or other law will be deemed to refer to such statute, regulation or other law as amended or any successor law.
- **1.2.6** All references to a Person shall include such Person's successors and permitted assigns.
- **1.2.7** Unless otherwise indicated, any reference to a time of Day shall be to Central Time in the United States of America.
- **1.2.8** Approximate conversions of any unit of measurement contained in parenthesis following the primary unit of measurement included in Sections 1 through 26 of this Agreement are inserted as a matter of operational convenience only to show the approximate equivalent in such different measurement. The obligations of the Parties under Sections 1 through 26 of this Agreement will be undertaken in respect of the primary unit of measurement and not in respect of any such approximate conversion.

1.3 Replacement of Rates and Indices No Longer Available

- **1.3.1** If (a) a publication that contains a rate or index used in this Agreement ceases to be published for any reason or (b) such a rate or index ceases to exist, is materially modified, or no longer is used as a liquid trading point for Gas (as applicable), so as systematically to change its economic result, or is disaggregated, displaced or abandoned, for any reason, the Parties shall promptly discuss, with the aim of jointly selecting a rate or index or rates or indices to be used in place of such rates and indices that maintains the intent and economic effect of those original rates or indices.
- **1.3.2** If the Parties fail to agree on a replacement rate or index, the Parties may submit such issue to an Expert pursuant to Section 21.2, as amended by the provisions of this Section 1.3.2. Any Expert selected shall be instructed to select the published rate or index, or a combination of published rates or indices, with adjustments as necessary or appropriate, that most nearly preserves the intent and economic result of the original rates or indices. If the Parties are not able to agree upon an Expert within ten (10) Days after the receipt of the notice of request for expert determination, either Party may elect to refer the determination of the replacement rate or index for arbitration in accordance with Section 21.1.
- **1.3.3** If any rate used in this Agreement is not published for a particular date, but the publication containing such rate continues to be published and the rate itself continues to exist, the Parties shall use the published rate in effect for the date such rate was most recently published prior to the particular date, unless otherwise provided in this Agreement.
- **1.3.4** If any index used in this Agreement is not published for a particular date, but the publication containing such index continues to be published and the index itself continues to exist, the Parties shall use the index from the geographic location closest in proximity to the unpublished index from the same publication in effect for the particular date adjusted by the difference between the same indices from the most recent publication published prior to the particular date, unless otherwise provided in this Agreement.
- **1.3.5** If an incorrect value is published for any rate or index used in this Agreement and such error is corrected and published within ninety (90) Days of the date of the publication of such incorrect rate or index, such corrected rate or index will be substituted for the incorrect rate or index and any calculations involving such rate or index will be recalculated and the Parties will take any necessary actions based upon these revised calculations, including adjustments of amounts previously invoiced and/or paid.

2. Approvals and Conditions Precedent

2.1 Approvals

- **2.1.1** Seller shall use reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain in force both Export Authorizations (as in effect on the Effective Date or as may be modified thereafter in a manner that does not adversely affect Buyer) at all times, except as may be excused by Force Majeure; *provided, however*, the Parties acknowledge that the Non-FTA Export Authorization, unless extended, will expire in accordance with its terms prior to the end of the Term, and the Parties agree that such expiration of the Non-FTA Export Authorization shall not be a violation by Seller of this Section 2.1.1.
- 2.1.2 Seller shall use reasonable efforts to obtain and, thereafter, to maintain in full force and effect, in order to fulfill Seller's obligations under this Agreement, either (a) amendments to the FTA Export Authorization and Non-FTA Export Authorization, in each case to increase the annual quantity of LNG that may be exported pursuant to such Export Authorization to a quantity of LNG that is not less than nine hundred and thirty-eight million (938,000,000) MMBtu (or the equivalent amount of cubic feet based on Seller's reasonable estimate of the heat content of such volumes); or (b) new export authorizations substantially equivalent to the FTA Export Authorization and Non-FTA Export Authorization, in each case to permit the export of a quantity of LNG that is not less than one hundred and four million (104,000,000) MMBtu per annum. If the Parties mutually agree (each in its sole discretion) that Buyer is more likely than Seller to succeed in an application for any new export authorization substantially equivalent to the relevant authorizes, in which case Buyer make (and only in such case may Buyer make) such an application to the relevant authorities, in which case Buyer shall make such application and shall use reasonable efforts to obtain and, thereafter, maintain such new export authorization in full force and effect.
- **2.1.3** Buyer and Seller shall use reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain in force, and shall use reasonable efforts to cause its Affiliates to obtain and maintain in force the Approvals (other than the Export Authorizations and similar export authorizations described in Section 2.1.2, which shall be governed by Section 2.1.1 above) which are required for the performance of this Agreement, and shall cooperate fully with each other whenever necessary for this purpose.
- 2.1.4 If the laws of the United States of America do not require maintenance of or compliance with one or both Export Authorization(s) or similar export authorizations described in Section 2.1.2 to export LNG from the United States of America, then for so long as the laws of the United States of America

do not require such maintenance or compliance, the Parties agree that this Agreement shall be read and construed to omit those provisions of this Agreement relating to such affected export authorization(s) and neither Party shall have any rights or obligations (including obligations to maintain such affected export authorization(s), rights to terminate this Agreement and claims of Force Majeure) in respect of any such export authorization(s).

2.2 Conditions Precedent

- 2.2.1 The Parties recognize and agree that this Agreement (other than the provisions of this Section 2.2 and Sections 1, 2.1, 4.1, 14.1 to 14.6, and 15 to 26, which shall all be in full force and effect as of the Effective Date) shall not become effective unless and until each of the following conditions precedent (the "Conditions Precedent") have been satisfied or waived:
 - (a) Seller has received all Approvals required to construct and operate the Designated Train and any new or modified existing facilities at the Sabine Pass Facility needed to enable Seller to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement in respect of the Designated Train (not including any Approvals which will not be issued until after construction is commenced);
 - (b) Seller has secured the necessary financing arrangements to construct and operate the Sabine Liquefaction Facility and any new or modified existing facilities related thereto in respect of the Designated Train;
 - (c) Seller has taken a positive final investment decision in respect of the Designated Train ("FID"), in its sole discretion, to construct the liquefaction facilities and to construct any other required facilities, or modify existing facilities, in relation to the addition of any liquefaction facilities in respect of the Designated Train; and
 - (d) Seller or Buyer (pursuant to Section 2.1.2) has obtained the Approvals required for Seller to export LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility pursuant to this Agreement, which Approvals are in full force and effect.
- 2.2.2 Promptly upon satisfaction of each of the Conditions Precedent, Seller shall notify Buyer of such satisfaction. Satisfaction of each Condition Precedent can be waived only by Seller upon notice to Buyer. The date that the last of the Conditions Precedent is fulfilled or waived shall be the "CP Fulfillment Date". At Buyer's request, Seller shall meet with Buyer on a reasonably frequent basis (but not less than one meeting every three (3) Months) to advise Buyer on the progress of the satisfaction of each of the Conditions Precedent.

- **2.2.3** Seller shall use reasonable efforts to satisfy or procure the satisfaction of each Condition Precedent by June 30th, 2013 (as may be revised in accordance with Section 2.2.4, the "**CP Deadline**").
- **2.2.4** If any Condition Precedent is not satisfied by the CP Deadline (as such CP Deadline may be revised pursuant to this Section 2.2.4), in circumstances other than where it has been waived in accordance with Section 2.2.2, Seller shall give notice to that effect to Buyer and, if requested by Buyer, shall provide an explanation of the reason for the delay in satisfaction of the Conditions Precedent and the revised date by which it is reasonably expected that all Conditions Precedent will be satisfied. If the Parties agree in writing to change the deadline for satisfaction of the CONditions Precedent to the revised date notified by Seller or another later date, such revised date shall be deemed the CP Deadline for all purposes of this Agreement.
- **2.2.5** If any Condition Precedent has been neither satisfied nor waived by the CP Deadline (as such CP Deadline may be revised pursuant to Section 2.2.4), then at any time after such CP Deadline either Party may give to the other Party a notice of termination of this Agreement. Such notice of termination shall be effective in accordance with Section 20.2 if any Condition Precedent remains neither satisfied nor waived prior to such date.

3. Subject Matter

3.1 Sale and Purchase

- **3.1.1** Seller shall sell and make available for delivery, or compensate Buyer if not made available for delivery, LNG in cargoes at the Delivery Point, and Buyer shall take and pay for, or compensate Seller if not taken, such LNG, in the quantities and at the prices set forth in and otherwise in accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Agreement.
- **3.1.2** Seller intends to load cargoes from the Sabine Pass Facility, but, subject to the prior written consent of Buyer (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld), Seller may deliver cargoes to Buyer from any alternate source; *provided, that*:
 - (a) LNG from such alternate source shall, when made available by Seller to Buyer, comply with the Specifications;
 - (b) Seller has agreed to reimburse Buyer an amount equal to Buyer's reasonable estimate of the increased costs that would be incurred as a result of the delivery of LNG at such alternate source;
 - (c) the delivery of LNG at an alternate source is necessitated by operational conditions affecting the Sabine Pass Facility that have

reduced the capability of the Sabine Pass Facility to produce or load LNG, despite Seller having acted as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator;

- (d) the receipt of LNG at an alternate source will not affect the ability of LNG Tankers to perform other cargo receipts and deliveries in a timely fashion;
- (e) the facilities at the alternate source are compatible with LNG Tankers;
- (f) the alternate source and the voyage thereto do not present added risks or dangers to any LNG Tanker or personnel of Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer; and
- (g) any other condition reasonably imposed by Buyer has been satisfied by Seller to Buyer's reasonable satisfaction.

If the alternate Gas liquefaction facility proposed by Seller is located in the United States of America Gulf Coast and is owned and operated by Seller or an Affiliate of Seller, then the condition set forth in Section 3.1.2(c) above shall not apply.

3.2 Facilities

- **3.2.1** During the period from the Effective Date and continuing through the Date of First Commercial Delivery, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to construct, test, commission, maintain and operate the Sabine Pass Facility in accordance with the standards and specifications set forth in Section 7.2.2, or cause same to occur.
- **3.2.2** Seller covenants that, acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator, it shall at all relevant times from the Date of First Commercial Delivery and continuing throughout the Term use reasonable efforts to own, or have access to and use of, and maintain and operate or cause to be maintained and operated, consistent with International Standards and subject to all Applicable Laws, the Sabine Pass Facility.

3.3 Destination

Subject to Section 26.1 and notwithstanding the Discharge Terminal corresponding to any cargo in the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule, Buyer shall be free to (i) sell such LNG free on board at the Sabine Pass Facility or at any other point during a voyage, or at or after the unloading of any LNG purchased hereunder and (ii) transport the LNG to, and market the LNG at, any destination of its choosing, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

4.1 Term

- **4.1.1** <u>Term</u>. This Agreement shall enter into force and effect as set forth in Section 2.2.1 and, subject to Section 20, shall continue in force and effect until the earlier of (a) the twentieth (20th) anniversary of the Date of First Commercial Delivery, and (b) such earlier date as is required for exports of LNG pursuant to this Agreement to be authorized under, and to enable Seller to maintain compliance with all of, the terms of the Export Authorizations and similar export authorizations entered into by Seller as described in Section 2.1.1, as applicable, unless extended pursuant to Section 4.1.2 (the "**Term**").
- **4.1.2** Extension of Term.
 - (a) On or before the seventeenth (17th) anniversary of the Date of First Commercial Delivery, Buyer may, by notice to Seller, extend the Term of this Agreement as to any portion of the ACQ by a period of up to ten (10) years beyond the initial twenty (20) years as set forth in Section 4.1.1, provided that:
 - (i) (x) the sum of the portion of the ACQ that Buyer has elected to extend, and the ACQs of all other customers purchasing LNG or liquefaction services from the Sabine Liquefaction Facility at all times during the extension period elected by Buyer is equal to or greater than one hundred eighty-two million five hundred thousand (182,500,000) MMBtu, or (y) Buyer and Seller agree to increase Buyer's ACQ during the extension period elected by Buyer such that the sum of Buyer's ACQ and the annual contract quantities of all other customers purchasing LNG or liquefaction services from the Sabine Liquefaction Facility during the extension period elected by Buyer is equal to or greater than one hundred eighty-two million five hundred thousand (182,500,000) MMBtu; and
 - (ii) Seller is able, by the exercise of reasonable efforts, to maintain in effect all Approvals, including LNG export licenses, necessary for (A) the continued operation of the Sabine Liquefaction Facility during the extension period elected by Buyer and (B) the performance by Seller of its obligations under this Agreement and the Third Party LNG SPAs.
 - (b) If Seller is unable to maintain in effect all such Approvals during the entire extension period elected by Buyer, Seller shall inform

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Buyer of the period during which it can maintain such Approvals, and Buyer may, by giving Seller notice no later than thirty (30) Days following receipt of Seller's notice pursuant to this Section 4.1.2(b): (i) modify its election made pursuant to Section 4.1.2(a) such that the extension period is coincident with or less than the period during which Seller can maintain such Approvals or (ii) withdraw its election made pursuant to Section 4.1.2(a).

(c) If the Term is extended pursuant to this Section 4.1.2, the Parties shall make such revisions to this Agreement as are necessary to give effect to such extension, including Sections 5.1.1, 5.4.1(e), and 7.16.1(a).

4.2 Date of First Commercial Delivery

Subject to Section 4.3, the Day notified by Seller to Buyer on which Seller anticipates that the Designated Train will become commercially operable shall be the "**Date of First Commercial Delivery**", which Day shall be determined by taking into account development and construction schedules, as set forth below.

- **4.2.1** Seller shall notify Buyer of a period of one hundred eighty (180) Days that begins not later than the first Day of the Month that follows the date that is fifty (50) Months after the CP Fulfillment Date ("First Window Period") during which the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall occur, or, in the absence of notification by Seller in accordance with this Section 4.2.1, the First Window Period shall be deemed to be the one hundred eighty (180) Day period that begins on the first Day of the Month that follows the date that is fifty (50) Months after the CP Fulfillment Date. Such notice shall be provided not later than twelve (12) Months prior to the commencement of the First Window Period.
- **4.2.2** Seller shall notify Buyer, at least one hundred twenty (120) Days prior to the commencement of the First Window Period of a ninety (90) Day period falling within the First Window Period ("**Second Window Period**") during which the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall occur, or, in the absence of notification by Seller in accordance with this Section 4.2.2, the Second Window Period shall be deemed to be the last ninety (90) Days of the First Window Period.
- **4.2.3** Seller shall notify Buyer at least ninety (90) Days prior to the commencement of the Second Window Period of a sixty (60) Day period falling within the Second Window Period ("**Third Window Period**") during which the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall occur, or, in the absence of notification by Seller in accordance with this Section 4.2.3, the Third Window Period shall be deemed to be the last sixty (60) Days of the Second Window Period.

- **4.2.4** Seller shall notify Buyer at least sixty (60) Days prior to the commencement of the Third Window Period of a thirty (30) Day period falling within the Third Window Period ("**Final Window Period**") during which the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall occur, or, in the absence of notification by Seller in accordance with this Section 4.2.4, the Final Window Period shall be deemed to be the last thirty (30) Days of the Third Window Period.
- **4.2.5** Seller shall notify Buyer at least forty-five (45) Days prior to the commencement of the Final Window Period of the Day within the Final Window Period which shall be the Date of First Commercial Delivery, or, in the absence of notification by Seller in accordance with this Section 4.2.5, the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall be deemed to be the last Day of the Final Window Period.
- **4.2.6** Subject to Section 4.3, the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall be the date so notified pursuant to this Section 4.2, regardless of whether any LNG is scheduled for delivery to Buyer or whether any LNG is in fact so delivered. Seller will provide non-binding good faith estimates of the Date of First Commercial Delivery from time to time, as credible and relevant information is available (but not less frequently than one (1) update every six (6) Months). Each window period identified in this Section 4.2 may be extended, and the Date of First Commercial Delivery may be deferred on a Day-for-Day basis, in the event of Force Majeure affecting Seller that delays the Designated Train becoming commercially operable; provided that such extension or deferral shall not exceed four hundred fifty-five (455) Days.

4.3 Delayed Date of First Commercial Delivery

- **4.3.1** Notwithstanding Section 4.2 to the contrary, if the Designated Train has not become commercially operable by the last Day of the Final Window Period as specified in Section 4.2.4, the Date of First Commercial Delivery shall be the first Day on which the Designated Train is commercially operable, as notified by Seller. For all purposes of this Agreement, a Train shall not be considered "commercially operable" unless it is capable of producing LNG complying with the Specifications.
- **4.3.2** If the Date of First Commercial Delivery does not occur within one hundred eighty (180) Days after the last Day of the Final Window Period (as such window period may have been extended pursuant to Section 4.2.6 due to Force Majeure), Buyer may elect to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 20.1.7 by delivering notice of such election to Seller no later than two hundred ten (210) Days after the last Day of the Final Window Period (as such window period may have been extended pursuant to Section 4.2.6 due to Force Majeure).

4.4 Contract

Year

References to a "**Contract Year**" mean a period of time from and including January 1st through and including December 31st of the same calendar year, provided that:

- (a) the first Contract Year is the period of time beginning on the Date of First Commercial Delivery and ending on December 31st of the same calendar year (the "**First Contract Year**"); and
- (b) the final Contract Year is the period of time beginning on the January 1 st immediately preceding the final Day of the Term and ending on the final Day of the Term.

5. Quantities

5.1 ACQ

- **5.1.1** Subject to Section 5.1.5, the annual contract quantity (as adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement, the "**ACQ**") for any Contract Year (expressed in MMBtu) shall be established by Seller in accordance with this Section 5.1.1.
 - (a) Not later than one hundred eighty (180) Days before the start of such Contract Year, Seller shall notify Buyer of the proposed ACQ for such Contract Year. If the proposed ACQ as so notified by Seller is less than the Maximum ACQ, Buyer shall notify Seller if Buyer desires to consult with Seller regarding Seller's proposed ACQ, and Seller shall, no later than ten (10) Days after receipt of Buyer's notice, meet and consult with Buyer.
 - (b) The ACQ for a Contract Year shall be the quantity of LNG that Seller in good faith determines that Seller, acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator and subject to Section 5.1.1(c), would be prudent to commit to produce from one or more of the first four Trains in excess of the sum of the quantities that Seller is required to make available under the Third Party LNG SPAs; *provided that* the ACQ for any Contract Year shall not exceed the Maximum ACQ.
 - (c) Seller, in establishing the ACQ pursuant this Section 5.1.1, may consider any necessary limitations or restrictions applicable to Seller (including (i) any applicable limit on either the quantity of LNG that Seller is authorized to export or the aggregate number of LNG tankers that may use the Sabine Pass Facility, (ii) the quantity of LNG that it is committed to deliver to buyers under Third Party LNG SPAs, and (iii) the potential effect of Cargo DoP Quantities that might result from any quantities that Seller includes in the



ACQ but later is not able to make available as required hereunder, in relation to the potential Buyer's Annual Additional Payment).

- (d) If an ACQ established by Seller pursuant to this Section 5.1.1 includes a partial cargo lot, such ACQ shall be rounded down to the nearest full cargo lot.
- **5.1.2** If the ACQ for a Contract Year is less than the Maximum ACQ and the Sabine Pass Facility is expanded prior to the end of such Contract Year to include additional capacity (whether by completion of a Train or otherwise), then the ACQ for such Contract Year shall be revised according to Section 5.1.1, taking into account such additional capacity.
- 5.1.3 Where the aggregate of (a) the ACQ for a Contract Year plus (b) any amount of LNG previously offered to Buyer in such Contract Year pursuant to this Section 5.1.3 (without duplication), is less than the Maximum ACQ (any such shortfall, the "Available Quantity"), Seller shall not offer to sell or to make available during such Contract Year any uncommitted quantities of LNG or regasified LNG (including quantities that become available because another buyer of Seller fails to take LNG or cancels or suspends the delivery of LNG) produced by the first four Trains in excess of the sum of the quantities that Seller is required to make available under the Third Party LNG SPAs to any Person prior to offering such quantities (up to the Available Quantity) to Buyer for purchase and delivery hereunder, to be scheduled in full cargo lots. If Buyer does not accept such offer by delivering written notice of such acceptance to Seller within thirty (30) Days after receipt of Seller's offer, Buyer shall be deemed to have rejected such offer. If an uncommitted quantity of LNG is offered to, and accepted by, Buyer pursuant to this Section 5.1.3, the ACQ for such Contract Year shall be increased by the volume of such offered and accepted quantity of LNG.
- **5.1.4** In respect of the first four Trains, Seller may not amend or enter into a new Third Party LNG SPA if as a result of Seller doing so the sum of the annual contract quantities for all Third Party LNG SPAs would exceed eight-hundred thirty-four million (834,000,000) MMBtus.
- **5.1.5** The ACQ for any Contract Year shall be adjusted by Seller from time to time as required pursuant to Sections 5.1.2 and 5.1.3; *provided that*, the ACQ for any Contract Year shall never exceed the Maximum ACQ. Any quantities of LNG to be delivered following any such adjustment to the ACQ shall be scheduled pursuant to Sections 8.3.1 and 8.6.
- **5.1.6** The ACQ for purposes of determining all obligations under this Agreement shall be the amount expressed in MMBtu. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all references in this Agreement to cargoes or other quantities are solely for operational convenience.

5.2 Buyer's Purchase Obligation

- **5.2.1** During any Contract Year, Buyer shall take and pay for the Scheduled Cargo Quantity with respect to each cargo included in the ACQ and scheduled in the ADP for such Contract Year, less:
 - (a) any quantities of LNG not made available by Seller for any reasons attributable to Seller (other than quantities for which Seller is excused pursuant to this Agreement from making available due to Buyer's breach of this Agreement) including quantities not made available by Seller due to Force Majeure affecting Seller or the Sabine Pass Facility;
 - (b) any quantities of LNG not taken by Buyer for reasons of Force Majeure;
 - (c) quantities of LNG for which Buyer has provided a notice of cancellation pursuant to Section 5.4; and
 - (d) any quantity that the relevant LNG Tanker is not capable of loading due to Seller's delivery of LNG that has a Gross Heating Value that is less than the value identified by Seller pursuant to Section 8.1.1.
- **5.2.2** If, with respect to any cargo identified in Section 5.2.1, Buyer does not take all or part of the Scheduled Cargo Quantity of such cargo, and such failure to take is not otherwise excused pursuant to Section 5.2.1, then the amount by which the Scheduled Cargo Quantity for such cargo exceeds the quantity of LNG taken by Buyer in relation to such cargo shall be the "Cargo Shortfall Quantity".
- **5.2.3** With respect to any Cargo Shortfall Quantity, Buyer shall pay to Seller Cover Damages, if Cover Damages are a positive amount.
 - (a) "Cover Damages" shall be equal to: (i) the CSP multiplied by the Cargo Shortfall Quantity; minus (ii) the proceeds of any Mitigation Sale, if any; minus (iii) reasonable and verifiable savings obtained by Seller (including savings related to avoided fuel Gas for LNG production, transportation and Third Party costs avoided) as a result of the Mitigation Sale as opposed to the sale to Buyer; plus (iv) reasonable, verifiable, incremental costs incurred by Seller as a result of such Mitigation Sale (including costs related to transporting, marketing, selling, and delivery of the Cargo Shortfall Quantity). For purposes of calculating Cover Damages, the CSP shall be determined as of the Month in which the applicable Delivery Window begins.



- (b) Seller shall use reasonable efforts to mitigate its Losses resulting from Buyer's failure to take such Cargo Shortfall Quantity by reselling such Cargo Shortfall Quantity (whether as LNG, Gas, or regasified LNG) to Third Parties (each such sale a "Mitigation Sale"); except that any sale of a quantity of LNG (or Gas or regasified LNG) by Seller to any Third Party that Seller was already obligated to make at the earlier to occur of (i) Buyer's failure to take such LNG; or (ii) Buyer's notice to Seller that it will not take such LNG, is not a Mitigation Sale.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Cargo Shortfall Quantity is within the operational tolerance of two percent (2%) of the Scheduled Cargo Quantity ("Operational Tolerance") (such Operational Tolerance to be exercised by Buyer only with respect to operational matters regarding the LNG Tanker, and without regard to Gas markets or other commercial considerations), the Cover Damages shall be zero USD (US\$0.00).
- **5.2.4** Any payment that Buyer makes under this Section 5.2 shall not be treated as an indirect, incidental, consequential or exemplary loss or a loss of income or profits for purposes of Section 15.2.1.

5.3 Seller's Delivery Obligation

- **5.3.1** During any Contract Year, Seller shall make available to Buyer the Scheduled Cargo Quantity with respect to each cargo in the ACQ and scheduled in the ADP for such Contract Year, less:
 - (a) quantities of LNG not taken by Buyer for any reason attributable to Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer (other than quantities for which Buyer is excused pursuant to this Agreement from taking due to Seller's breach of this Agreement), including Force Majeure;
 - (b) quantities of LNG for which Buyer has provided a notice of cancellation pursuant to Section 5.4;
 - (c) quantities of LNG for which Buyer has not provided an Acceptable Letter of Credit as required pursuant to Section 17.4; and
 - (d) quantities of LNG not made available by Seller due to Force Majeure, or for any reason attributable to Buyer, or any Affiliate of Buyer.
- **5.3.2** Except as otherwise excused in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, if, during any Contract Year, for any reason other than those specified in Section 5.3.1, Seller does not make available the Scheduled Cargo Quantity with respect to any cargo identified in Section 5.3.1 then the amount by which the Scheduled Cargo Quantity exceeds the quantity of LNG

made available by Seller shall be the "**Cargo DoP Quantity**". In accordance with Section 9.3.2(c) and Section 9.3.4(b), Seller shall credit Buyer for each MMBtu of the Cargo DoP Quantity that is part or all of an Allocated Cargo in such Quarter or Contract Year, as applicable, by an amount equal to: (a) the actual, documented price incurred by Buyer for the purchase of a replacement quantity of LNG or Gas (not to exceed the MMBtu equivalent of the Cargo DoP Quantity), or, in respect of any Cargo DoP Quantity for which a replacement quantity is not purchased, the actual documented price that Buyer would have received for such Cargo DoP Quantity, or if no such actual documented price exists, the most applicable published market price of LNG at such time at the cargo's originally scheduled destination; *less* (b) the CSP; *plus* (c) any actual, reasonable, and verifiable costs (if any), incurred by Buyer due to such failure, including, if a replacement quantity of LNG or Gas has been purchased, costs associated with transportation; *less* (d) actual, reasonable, and verifiable costs asings realized by Buyer due to Seller's failure to make the Scheduled Cargo Quantity available, including, in respect of any Cargo DoP Quantity for which a replacement quantity has not been purchased, the costs that were not, but would have been, incurred to transport and deliver such Cargo DoP Quantity (the "**Cargo DoP Credit**"). For purposes of calculating the Cargo DoP Credit, CSP shall be determined as of the Month in which the applicable Delivery Window begins.

- **5.3.3** Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Cargo DoP Quantity is within the Operational Tolerance (such Operational Tolerance to be exercised by Seller only with respect to operational matters regarding the Sabine Pass Facility, and without regard to Gas markets or other commercial considerations), the Cargo DoP Credit shall be zero USD (US\$0.00).
- **5.3.4** Buyer shall use reasonable efforts to mitigate Seller's liability pursuant to this Section 5.3.
- **5.3.5** In the event the ability of the Sabine Pass Facility to produce and deliver LNG is impaired due to an unscheduled services interruption that does not constitute Force Majeure, Seller shall comply with the Foundation Customer Priority in allocating the LNG that is available from the Sabine Pass Facility.

5.4 Buyer's Right to Cancel Deliveries

Buyer may without charge elect to cancel deliveries of one or more cargoes scheduled in the ADP for the relevant Month by providing notice of such election to Seller on or prior to the twentieth (20th) Day of the Month that is two (2) Months prior to the Month for which Buyer is cancelling deliveries. Once a cargo has been cancelled pursuant to this Section 5.4, Seller shall be relieved of its obligation to make available such cargo pursuant to Section 5.3, and the ACQ and the Maximum ACQ for the Contract Year to which such cancellation applied shall be deemed to be reduced by any such cancelled amount.

6. Delivery Point, Title and Risk

6.1 Delivery

Point

Seller shall deliver LNG to Buyer, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, at the point at which the flange coupling of the LNG loading line at the Sabine Pass Facility (or such other loading facility nominated by Seller pursuant to Section 3.1.2) joins the flange coupling of the LNG intake manifold of the relevant LNG Tanker ("**Delivery Point**").

6.2 Title and Risk

Title to, and all risks in respect of, the LNG sold by Seller pursuant to this Agreement shall pass from Seller to Buyer as the LNG passes the Delivery Point.

7. Transportation and Loading

7.1 Transportation by Buyer

Buyer shall, in accordance with this Agreement, Applicable Laws, Approvals and International Standards, provide, or cause to be provided, transportation from the Delivery Point of all quantities of LNG delivered hereunder to Buyer.

7.2 Sabine Pass Facility

- 7.2.1 Prior to the Date of First Commercial Delivery and provided the Conditions Precedent set forth in this Agreement are satisfied or waived in accordance herewith, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to cause the Sabine Liquefaction Facility to be constructed and commissioned so as to be able to provide liquefaction services and otherwise to achieve commercial operations completion for making available LNG. During the Term, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to cause to be provided, maintained and operated the Sabine Pass Facility in accordance with the following: (a) International Standards; (b) all terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement; (c) Applicable Laws; and (d) to the extent not inconsistent with International Standards, such good and prudent practices as are generally followed in the LNG industry by Reasonable and Prudent Operators of similar LNG liquefaction terminals and similar receiving and regasification terminals.
- **7.2.2** The Sabine Pass Facility shall include the following:
 - (a) appropriate systems for communications with LNG Tankers;

- (b) two berths, each capable of berthing an LNG Tanker having a displacement of no more than one hundred sixtysix thousand (166,000) tons, an overall length of no more than one thousand one hundred forty (1,140) feet (approximately 347 meters), a beam of no more than one hundred seventy-five (175) feet (approximately 53 meters), and a draft of no more than forty (40) feet (approximately 12 meters), which LNG Tankers can safely reach, fully laden, and safely depart, fully laden, and at which LNG Tankers can lie safely berthed and load and unload safely afloat;
- (c) lighting sufficient to permit loading operations by day or by night, to the extent permitted by Governmental Authorities and Pilots (it being acknowledged, however, that Seller shall in no event be obligated to allow nighttime berthing operations at the Sabine Pass Facility if Seller determines that such operations during nighttime hours could pose safety or operational risks to the Sabine Pass Facility, an LNG Tanker, or a Third Party);
- (d) facilities capable of transferring LNG at a rate of up to an average of twelve thousand (12,000) Cubic Meters per hour at the Delivery Point, with three (3) LNG transfer arms each having a reasonable operating envelope to allow for ship movement and manifold strainers of sixty (60) mesh;
- (e) a vapor return line system of sufficient capacity to allow for transfer of Gas necessary for safe cargo operations of an LNG Tanker at the required rates, pressures and temperatures;
- (f) facilities allowing ingress and egress between the Sabine Pass Facility and the LNG Tanker by (i) representatives of Governmental Authorities for purposes of LNG transfer operations; and (ii) an independent surveyor for purposes of conducting tests and measurements of LNG on board the LNG Tanker;
- (g) emergency shut-down systems;
- (h) LNG storage facilities, with a total gross capacity of approximately three hundred twenty thousand (320,000) Cubic Meters of LNG (expandable at Seller's option by an additional amount up to one hundred sixty thousand (160,000) Cubic Meters of LNG); and
- (i) LNG liquefaction facilities with each train having the capacity to liquefy Gas and produce not less than two hundred ninety-one thousand seven hundred (291,700) tonnes per Month of LNG, using the ConocoPhillips Optimized Cascade process under license from ConocoPhillips, six (6) General Electric LM2500+ G4 gas turbine driven compressor sets with inlet air humidification, air cooled heat exchanger systems, and a heavies removal system; a BASF-licensed

aMDEA acid gas removal unit and a mercury removal system for the pretreatment of feed Gas received at the inlet of the Sabine Pass Facility; propane, ethylene, and amine storage tanks and control and measurement systems, flares, ancillary systems and tie ins between the facilities owned by Seller and those owned by SPLNG.

7.2.3 Services and facilities not provided by Seller include the following: (a) facilities and loading lines for liquid or gaseous nitrogen to service an LNG Tanker; (b) facilities for providing bunkers; (c) facilities for the handling and delivery to the LNG Tanker of ship's stores, provisions and spare parts; and (d) nitrogen rejection or natural gas liquids (NGL) removal. Towing, escort, line handling, and pilot services will not be provided or made available by Seller; Buyer shall be required to obtain such services as described in Section 7.5.3.

7.3 Compatibility of the Sabine Pass Facility with LNG Tankers

- **7.3.1** Buyer shall ensure, at no cost to Seller, that each of the LNG Tankers is fully compatible with the general specifications set forth in Section 7.2.2 and any modifications made to the Sabine Pass Facility in accordance with Section 7.3.2. Should an LNG Tanker fail materially either to be compatible with the Sabine Pass Facility, or to be in compliance with the provisions of Sections 7.5 and 7.6, Buyer shall not employ such LNG Tanker until it has been modified to be so compatible or to so comply.
- **7.3.2** The Parties agree that, after the Effective Date, Seller shall be entitled to modify the Sabine Pass Facility in any manner whatsoever, provided that: (a) such modifications do not render the Sabine Pass Facility incompatible with an LNG Tanker that is compatible with the general specifications set forth in Section 7.2.2; (b) such modifications, once finalized, do not reduce the ability of Seller to make available LNG in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; and (c) such modifications do not otherwise conflict with Seller's obligations hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Seller may modify the Sabine Pass Facility in a manner that would render it incompatible with an LNG Tanker provided that such modification is required by and is made pursuant to a change in Applicable Laws, Approvals, or International Standards, or is required for safety or environmental reasons.

7.4 Buyer Inspection Rights in Respect of the Sabine Pass Facility

7.4.1 Upon obtaining Seller's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, a reasonable number of Buyer's designated representatives may from time to time (including during the



period of construction of the liquefaction facilities) inspect the operation of the Sabine Pass Facility so long as such inspection occurs from 8:00 a.m. Central Time to 5:00 p.m. Central Time on a Business Day. Any such inspection shall be at Buyer's sole risk and expense. In conjunction with any such inspection, Seller shall provide Buyer access at reasonable times and places (taking into consideration cost and schedule impacts) to (a) relevant qualified employees and contractors of Seller in order to discuss the progress of the construction of the Sabine Liquefaction Facility and the operation and maintenance of the Sabine Pass Facility (as applicable) and (b) relevant documentation, if any, available to Seller in support of such discussions. Buyer (and its designees) shall carry out any such inspection without any interference with or hindrance to the safe and efficient operation of the Sabine Pass Facility. Buyer's right to inspect and examine the Sabine Pass Facility shall be limited to verifying Seller's compliance with Seller's obligations under this Agreement. No inspection (or lack thereof) of the Sabine Pass Facility by Buyer hereunder, or any requests or observations made to Seller or its representatives by or on behalf of Buyer in connection with any such inspection, shall (i) modify or amend Seller's obligations, representations, warranties and covenants hereunder; or (ii) constitute an acceptance or waiver by Buyer of Seller's obligations hereunder.

7.4.2 Buyer shall indemnify and hold Seller and its Affiliates harmless from any Claims and Losses resulting from Buyer's inspection of the Sabine Pass Facility pursuant to Section 7.4.1.

7.5 LNG Tankers

- **7.5.1** Buyer shall cause each LNG Tanker to comply with the requirements of this Section 7.5 and the requirements of Section 7.6 in all respects.
- 7.5.2 Each LNG Tanker shall comply with the regulations of, and obtain all Approvals required by, Governmental Authorities to enable such LNG Tanker to enter, leave and carry out all required operations at the Sabine Pass Facility. Each LNG Tanker shall at all times have on board valid documentation evidencing all such Approvals. Each LNG Tanker shall comply fully with the International Safety Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and Pollution Prevention effective July 1st, 1998, as amended from time to time, and at all times be in possession of valid documents of compliance and safety management certificates, and can demonstrate that the LNG Tanker has an effective management system in operation that addresses all identified risks, and provides proper controls for dealing with these risks.
- **7.5.3** Buyer shall cause Transporter to enter into a tug services agreement (in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C) with Sabine Pass Tug Services, LLC to provide such number and types of tugs, fireboats and escort vessels as are



required by Governmental Authorities to attend the LNG Tanker so as to permit safe and efficient movement of the LNG Tanker within the maritime safety areas located in the approaches to and from the Sabine Pass Facility. The fee for tug services pursuant to such tug services agreement shall be as set from time-to-time by Sabine Pass Tug Services, LLC, but shall always be applied on a non-discriminatory basis among all long-term customers (both regasification and liquefaction) of the Sabine Pass Facility. Buyer and Transporter shall be permitted to use other tugs, fireboats and escort vessels that are materially consistent with (or are equivalent in all material respects with) the specifications set forth in Exhibit D if Sabine Pass Tug Services, LLC is in breach or default under the tug services agreement with Buyer's Transporter or the charterparty with the tug owner. Seller shall not be required to provide tugs, fireboats and escort vessels to attend any LNG Tanker and shall not be liable to Buyer in connection with Transporter's failure to enter into such arrangements.

- 7.5.4 Buyer shall pay or cause to be paid: (a) all Port Charges directly to the appropriate Person; and (b) all charges payable by reason of any LNG Tanker having to shift from berth at the Sabine Pass Facility as a result of the action or inaction of Buyer.
- **7.5.5** Each LNG Tanker must satisfy the following requirements:
 - (a) Except as otherwise mutually agreed in writing by the Parties, each LNG Tanker shall be compatible with the specifications of the Sabine Pass Facility identified in Section 7.2.2 and any modifications to the Sabine Pass Facility pursuant to Section 7.3.2, and shall be of a sufficient size to load the applicable Scheduled Cargo Quantity (subject to the Operational Tolerance). If Buyer's LNG Tanker is not capable of loading the applicable Scheduled Cargo Quantity (subject to the Operational Tolerance), Buyer shall be deemed to have failed to take the shortfall quantity and Section 5.2 shall apply, except to the extent that such failure is attributable to Seller's delivery of LNG that has a Gross Heating Value that is less than the value identified by Seller pursuant to Section 8.1.1.
 - (b) Except as otherwise agreed in writing by Seller, which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld, each LNG Tanker shall have a gross volumetric capacity between one hundred twenty-five thousand (125,000) Cubic Meters and one hundred eighty thousand (180,000) Cubic Meters.
 - (c) Each LNG Tanker shall be, in accordance with International Standards, (i) fit in every way for the safe loading, unloading, handling and carrying of LNG in bulk at atmospheric pressure; and (ii) tight, staunch, strong and otherwise seaworthy with cargo

handling and storage systems (including instrumentation) necessary for the safe loading, unloading, handling, carrying and measuring of LNG in good order and condition.

- (d) Each LNG Tanker shall at all times be maintained in class with any of the following: American Bureau of Shipping, Lloyd's Register, Bureau Veritas, Det Norske Veritas or any other classification society that is (i) a member of International Association of Classification Societies Ltd. (IACS) and (ii) mutually agreeable to the Parties.
- (e) Each LNG Tanker shall have been constructed to all applicable International Standards (including the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk).
- (f) Each LNG Tanker shall comply with, and shall be fully equipped, supplied, operated, and maintained to comply with, all applicable International Standards and Applicable Laws, including those that relate to seaworthiness, design, safety, environmental protection, navigation, and other operational matters, and all procedures, permits, and approvals of Governmental Authorities for LNG vessels that are required for the transportation and loading of LNG at the Loading Port. Unless approved by Seller in writing, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, an LNG Tanker shall be prohibited from engaging in any maintenance, repair or in-water surveys while berthed at the Sabine Pass Facility. Each LNG Tanker shall comply fully with the guidelines of any Governmental Authority of the United States of America, including the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), in relation to actions to avoid strikes in the waters of the United States of America with protected sea turtles and cetaceans (e.g., whales and other marine mammals) and with regard to the reporting of any strike by the LNG Tanker which causes injury to such protected species.
- (g) The officers and crew of each LNG Tanker shall have the ability, experience, licenses and training commensurate with the performance of their duties in accordance with internationally accepted standards with which it is customary for Reasonable and Prudent Operators of LNG vessels to comply and as required by Governmental Authorities and any labor organization having jurisdiction over the LNG Tanker or her crew. Without in any way limiting the foregoing, the master, chief engineer, all cargo engineers and all deck officers shall be fluent in written and oral English and shall maintain all records and provide all reports with respect to the LNG Tanker in English.

- (h) Each LNG Tanker shall have communication equipment complying with applicable regulations of Governmental Authorities and permitting such LNG Tanker to be in constant communication with the Sabine Pass Facility and with other vessels in the area (including fireboats, escort vessels and other vessels employed in port operations).
- (i) Provided that the Sabine Pass Facility supplies a suitable vapor return line meeting the requirements of Section 7.2.2, then:
 - (i) an LNG Tanker with an LNG cargo containment capacity less than or equal to one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters shall be capable of loading a full cargo of LNG in a maximum of fifteen (15) hours; and
 - (ii) an LNG Tanker with an LNG cargo containment capacity greater than one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters shall be capable of loading a full cargo of LNG in the number of hours derived after applying the following formula:

15 + x = maximum LNG transferring time (in hours)

where:

x = y/12,000 Cubic Meters; and

y = the LNG cargo containment capacity of the LNG Tanker in excess of one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters.

Time for connecting, cooling, draining, purging and disconnecting of liquid arms shall not be included in the computation of pumping time.

(j) Each LNG Tanker shall procure and maintain Hull and Machinery Insurance and P&I Insurance in accordance with Section 15.5.

7.6 LNG Tanker Inspections; LNG Tanker Vetting Procedures; Right to Reject LNG Tanker

7.6.1 During the Term, on prior reasonable notice to Buyer, Seller may, at its sole risk, send its representatives (including an independent internationally recognized maritime consultant) to inspect during normal working hours any LNG Tanker as Seller may consider necessary to ascertain whether the LNG Tanker complies with this Agreement. Seller shall bear the costs and expenses in connection with any inspection conducted hereunder. Any such inspection may include, as far as is practicable having regard to

the LNG Tanker's operational schedule, examination of the records related to the LNG Tanker's hull, cargo and ballast tanks, machinery, boilers, auxiliaries and equipment; examination of the LNG Tanker's deck, engine and official log books; review of records of surveys by the LNG Tanker's classification society and relevant Governmental Authorities; and review of the LNG Tanker's operating procedures and performance of surveys, both in port and at sea. Any inspection carried out pursuant to this Section 7.6.1: (a) shall not interfere with, or hinder, any LNG Tanker's safe and efficient construction or operation; and (b) shall not entitle Seller or any of its representatives to make any request or recommendation directly to Transporter except through Buyer. No inspection (or lack thereof) of an LNG Tanker hereunder shall: (i) modify or amend Buyer's obligations, representations, warranties, and covenants hereunder; or (ii) constitute an acceptance or waiver by Seller of Buyer's obligations hereunder.

- **7.6.2** Seller shall indemnify and hold Buyer and its Affiliates harmless from any Claims and Losses resulting from Seller's inspection of any LNG Tanker pursuant to Section 7.6.1.
- **7.6.3** Buyer shall comply with all LNG Tanker vetting procedures, as set forth in the Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual.
- **7.6.4** Seller shall have the right to reject any LNG vessel that Buyer intends to use to take delivery of LNG hereunder at the Sabine Pass Facility if such LNG vessel does not comply materially with the provisions of this Agreement, provided that:
 - (a) neither the exercise nor the non-exercise of such right shall reduce the responsibility of Buyer to Seller in respect of such LNG vessel and her operation, nor increase Seller's responsibilities to Buyer or Third Parties for the same; and
 - (b) Buyer's obligations under this Agreement shall not be excused or suspended by reason of Buyer's inability (pursuant to the foregoing) to use a vessel as an LNG Tanker.

7.7 Port Liability

- Agreement
 - 7.7.1 Buyer shall cause Transporter or the master of each LNG Tanker (acting on behalf of the ship-owner and charterer) making use of the port or marine facilities at the Sabine Pass Facility or the Loading Port thereof on behalf of Buyer, to execute the Port Liability Agreement prior to such LNG Tanker's arrival at the Sabine Pass Facility or the Loading Port thereof. In the event the master of an LNG Tanker fails to execute such Port Liability Agreement, Buyer shall indemnify and hold Seller and its Affiliates harmless from any Claims brought against, or Losses incurred by Seller or any of its Affiliates arising from such failure.

- **7.7.2** Subject to Section 7.7.1 and without prejudice to the terms of the Port Liability Agreement, Seller releases Buyer, its Affiliates, and their respective shareholders, officers, members, directors, employees, designees, representatives, and agents from liability to Seller incident to all Claims and Losses that may exist, arise or be threatened currently or in the future at any time following the Effective Date and whether or not of a type contemplated by either Party at any time, brought by any Person for injury to, illness or death of any employee of Seller, or for damage to or loss of the Sabine Pass Facility, which injury, illness, death, damage or loss arises out of, is incident to, or results from the performance or failure to perform this Agreement by Buyer, or any of its Affiliates, shareholders, officers, members, directors, employees, designees, representatives and agents.
- **7.7.3** Subject to Section 7.7.1 and without prejudice to the terms of Section 12 or the Port Liability Agreement, Buyer releases Seller, its Affiliates, and their respective shareholders, officers, members, directors, employees, designees, representatives, and agents from liability to Buyer incident to all Claims and Losses that may exist, arise or be threatened currently or in the future at any time following the Effective Date and whether or not of a type contemplated by either Party at any time, brought by any Person for injury to, illness or death of any employee of Buyer, or for damage to or loss of any LNG Tanker, which injury, illness, death, damage or loss arises out of, is incident to, or results from the performance or failure to perform this Agreement by Seller or its Affiliates, shareholders, officers, members, directors, employees, designees, representatives and agents.
- 7.7.4 The form of Port Liability Agreement may be amended from time to time without consent of Buyer only if after any such amendment the revised terms of such Port Liability Agreement: (a) do not negatively impact Buyer's ability to perform its obligations or exercise its rights under this Agreement, (b) treat Transporter in a non-discriminatory manner in comparison to all other owners and charterers of LNG vessels that use or transit the Loading Port, and (c) do not prevent any Transporter from obtaining, on commercially reasonable terms, full P&I indemnity coverage from a P&I Club, and such P&I indemnity will cover all Claims and Losses pursuant to such Port Liability Agreement in relation to use of the Loading Port by an LNG Tanker. Seller shall promptly notify Buyer upon any amendment to the Port Liability Agreement and shall provide a copy of the amended Port Liability Agreement to Buyer.

7.8 Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual

The Parties acknowledge that Seller has delivered to Buyer a copy of the current marine operations manual developed for the Sabine Pass Facility and any amendments thereto as of the Effective Date (as amended, the "Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual") which governs activities at the Sabine Pass Facility, consistent with International Standards, and which applies to each LNG Tanker and each other LNG vessel berthing at the Sabine Pass Facility. In the event of a conflict between this Agreement and the Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual, the provisions of this Agreement shall control. Seller shall promptly notify Buyer upon any amendment to the Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual and shall provide a copy of the amended Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual or amendment thereto, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to remedy such error or discrepancy promptly.

7.9 Loading of LNG Tankers

- **7.9.1** Except as otherwise specifically provided, the terms of this Section 7.9 shall apply to all LNG Tankers calling at the Sabine Pass Facility.
- 7.9.2 As soon as practicable after the LNG Tanker's departure from the point of departure en route to the Sabine Pass Facility, Buyer shall notify, or cause the master of the LNG Tanker to notify, Seller of the information specified below ("In-Transit First Notice"):
 - (a) name of the LNG Tanker and, in reasonable detail, the dimensions, specifications, tank temperatures, volume of LNG onboard, operator, and owner of such LNG Tanker;
 - (b) any operational deficiencies in the LNG Tanker that may affect its performance at the Sabine Pass Facility or berth; and
 - (c) the ETA.
- **7.9.3** With respect to each LNG Tanker scheduled to call at the Sabine Pass Facility, Buyer shall give, or cause the master of the LNG Tanker to give, to Seller the following notices:
 - (a) A second notice ("In-Transit Second Notice"), which shall be sent ninety-six (96) hours prior to the ETA set forth in the In-Transit First Notice or as soon as practicable prior to such ETA if the sea time between the point of departure of the LNG Tanker and the Loading Port is less than ninety six (96) hours, stating the LNG Tanker's then ETA. If, thereafter, such ETA changes by more than six (6) hours, Buyer shall give promptly, or cause the master of the LNG Tanker to give promptly, to Seller notice of the corrected ETA;
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- (b) The forty-eight (48) hour informational notice as required by the Sabine Pass Marine Operations Manual;
- (c) A third notice ("In-Transit Third Notice"), which shall be sent twenty-four (24) hours prior to the ETA set forth in the In-Transit Second Notice (as corrected), confirming or amending such ETA. If, thereafter, such ETA changes by more than three (3) hours, Buyer shall give promptly, or cause the master of the LNG Tanker to give promptly, to Seller notice of the corrected ETA;
- (d) A fourth notice, which shall be sent twelve (12) hours prior to the ETA set forth in the In-Transit Third Notice (as corrected), confirming or amending such ETA. If, thereafter, such ETA changes by more than one (1) hour, Buyer shall give promptly, or cause the master of the LNG Tanker to give promptly, to Seller notice of the corrected ETA; and
- (e) A NOR, which shall be given at the time prescribed in Section 7.10.
- **7.9.4** Buyer shall have the right to cause a LNG Tanker to burn Gas as fuel during operations at the Sabine Pass Facility (including while conducting cargo transfer operations). The quantity of Gas burned as fuel pursuant to this Section 7.9.4 shall be determined in accordance with Exhibit A. If Buyer exercises its right pursuant to this Section 7.9.4, all amounts of Gas burned as fuel shall be added to the quantity loaded included in Seller's invoice pursuant to Section 10.1.1, but shall have no impact in respect of Buyer's obligations under Section 5.
- **7.9.5** All vapor returned to Seller during cool-down or loading operations may be used or disposed of by Seller without compensation to Buyer.

7.10 Notice of Readiness

- 7.10.1 The master of an LNG Tanker arriving at the Sabine Pass Facility, or such master's agent, shall give to Seller its NOR for loading upon arrival of such LNG Tanker at the PBS, provided that such LNG Tanker has all required Approvals from the relevant Governmental Authorities, and is ready, willing, and able, to proceed to berth and load LNG or to commence cool-down operations (as applicable).
- **7.10.2** A valid NOR given under Section 7.10.1 shall become effective as follows:
 - (a) For an LNG Tanker arriving at the PBS at any time prior to the Delivery Window allocated to such LNG Tanker, an NOR shall be deemed effective at the earlier of 6:00 a.m. Central Time on such
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Delivery Window or the time at which the LNG Tanker is all fast at the berth;

- (b) For an LNG Tanker arriving at the PBS at any time during the Delivery Window allocated to such LNG Tanker, an NOR shall become effective at the time of its issuance; or
- (c) For an LNG Tanker arriving at the PBS at any time after the expiration of the Delivery Window, an NOR shall become effective upon Seller's notice to the LNG Tanker that it is ready to receive the LNG Tanker at berth.

7.11 Berthing Assignment

- 7.11.1 Seller shall berth an LNG Tanker which has tendered NOR before or during its Delivery Window promptly after Seller determines such LNG Tanker will not interfere with berthing and loading or unloading of any other scheduled LNG vessel with a higher berthing priority but in no event later than the end of the Delivery Window allocated to such LNG Tanker; *provided, however*, that if Seller does not berth such LNG Tanker by the end of the Delivery Window, but berths such LNG Tanker within seventy-two (72) hours after the end of its Delivery Window, Buyer's sole recourse and remedy for Seller's failure to berth the LNG Tanker by the end of the Delivery Window promptly after 5.12.3, payment for excess boil-off pursuant to Section 7.12.4 and provision by Seller of a cool-down pursuant to Section 7.16.1(b). If, as of the seventy-second (72nd) hour after the end of the Delivery Window, Seller has not berthed the LNG Tanker, and such delay is not attributable to a reason that would result in an extension of Allotted Laytime under Section 7.12.1, Seller shall be deemed to have failed to make the Scheduled Cargo Quantity of the relevant cargo available for delivery and the provisions of Section 5.3.2 shall apply.
- **7.11.2** For each delivery window period, Seller shall determine the berthing priority among LNG vessels which have tendered NOR before or during their scheduled delivery window as follows:
 - (a) The first berthing priority for a delivery window period shall be for an LNG vessel scheduled for such delivery window period. Priority within this group shall be given to the LNG vessel which has first tendered Seller its NOR. Once an LNG vessel achieves a first berthing priority pursuant to this Section 7.11.2(a) or 7.11.2(b), such LNG vessel shall maintain such priority until such LNG vessel is berthed, so long as its tendered NOR remains valid; and



- (b) The second berthing priority for a delivery window period shall be for an LNG vessel scheduled for arrival after such delivery window period. Priority within this group shall be given to the LNG vessel which has first tendered Seller its NOR. An LNG vessel with second berthing priority pursuant to this Section 7.11.2(b) will achieve a first berthing priority on its scheduled delivery window pursuant to Section 7.11.2(a) if such LNG vessel has not been berthed prior to such date, so long as its tendered NOR remains valid.
- **7.11.3** If an LNG Tanker tenders NOR after the end of its Delivery Window, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to berth such LNG Tanker as soon as reasonably practical; *provided, however*, that, unless otherwise agreed with Buyer, Seller shall have no obligation to use such efforts to berth an LNG Tanker that tenders NOR more than seventy-two (72) hours after the end of its Delivery Window. If, as of the seventy-second (72nd) hour after the end of the Delivery Window, the LNG Tanker has not tendered NOR, and such delay is not attributable to a reason that would result in an extension of allowed berth time under Section 7.14.2(b), Buyer shall be deemed to have failed to take delivery of the Scheduled Cargo Quantity of the relevant cargo and the provisions of Sections 5.2.2 and 5.2.3 shall apply.
- 7.11.4 Seller shall use reasonable efforts (including coordinating with the operator of the Sabine Pass Facility and any Sabine Pass Facility Regasification Capacity Users) to cause the LNG regasification and loading schedules to be established in a manner that will avoid berthing conflicts between LNG Tankers and other LNG vessels.

7.12 Berth

Laytime

7.12.1 The allotted laytime for each LNG Tanker ("Allotted Laytime") shall be (i) for an LNG Tanker with an LNG cargo containment capacity of one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters or less, thirty-six (36) hours and (ii) for an LNG Tanker with an LNG cargo containment capacity of greater than one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters, according to the following formula:

36 + x = Allotted Laytime (in hours)

where:

x = y/12,000 Cubic Meters; and

y = the LNG cargo containment capacity of the LNG Tanker in excess of one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters)

Allotted Laytime shall be extended by any period of delay that is caused by:

- (a) reasons attributable to Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer, a Governmental Authority, Transporter, the LNG Tanker or its master, crew, owner or operator or any Third Party outside of the reasonable control of Seller;
- (b) Force Majeure or Adverse Weather Conditions;
- (c) unscheduled curtailment or temporary discontinuation of operations at the Sabine Pass Facility necessary for reasons of safety, except to the extent such unscheduled curtailment or temporary discontinuation of operations is due to Seller's failure to operate and maintain its facilities as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator;
- (d) time at berth during cool-down pursuant to Sections 7.16.1(a) and (c); and
- (e) nighttime transit restrictions.
- 7.12.2 The actual laytime for each LNG Tanker ("Actual Laytime") shall commence when the NOR is effective and shall end when (i) the LNG transfer and return lines of the LNG Tanker are disconnected from the Sabine Pass Facility's LNG transfer and return lines, (ii) the cargo documents are on board of the LNG Tanker and (iii) the LNG Tanker is cleared for departure and able to depart.
- 7.12.3 In the event Actual Laytime exceeds Allotted Laytime (including any extension in accordance with Section 7.12.1) ("Demurrage Event"), Seller shall pay to Buyer as liquidated damages demurrage in USD (which shall be prorated for a portion of a Day) at a rate of USD eighty thousand (US\$80,000) per Day. If a Demurrage Event occurs, Buyer shall invoice Seller for such demurrage within one hundred eighty (180) Days pursuant to Section 10.1.4.
- 7.12.4 If an LNG Tanker is delayed in berthing at the Sabine Pass Facility and/or commencement of LNG transfer due to an event occurring at the Sabine Pass Facility and for a reason that would not result in an extension of Allotted Laytime under Section 7.12.1, and if, as a result thereof, the commencement of LNG transfer is delayed beyond twenty-four (24) hours after NOR is effective, then, for each full hour by which commencement of LNG transfer is delayed beyond such twenty-four (24) hour period, Seller shall pay Buyer as liquidated damages an amount, on account of excess boil-off, equal to the CSP for such Month multiplied by a quantity (in MMBtu) equal to zero decimal zero zero five seven three percent (0.00573%) of the cargo containment capacity of such LNG Tanker;

provided that in no event shall the quantity of MMBtu used in the calculation of this Section 7.12.4 exceed the quantity of LNG on board the LNG Tanker at the time it issued its valid NOR. Buyer shall invoice Seller for such excess boil-off within one hundred eighty (180) Days after the applicable event pursuant to Section 10.1.4.

7.13 LNG Transfers at the Sabine Pass Facility

- **7.13.1** Seller shall cooperate with Transporters (or their agents) and with the master of each LNG Tanker to facilitate the continuous and efficient transfer of LNG hereunder.
- **7.13.2** During LNG transfer, Seller shall provide or take receipt of (as applicable), through the Sabine Pass Facility vapor return line, Gas in such quantities as are necessary for the safe transfer of LNG at such rates, pressures and temperatures as may be required by the design of the LNG Tanker.
- **7.13.3** Promptly after completion of loading of each cargo, Seller shall send to Buyer a certificate of origin, together with such other documents concerning the cargo as may reasonably be requested by Buyer
- **7.13.4** Buyer, in cooperation with Seller, shall cause the LNG Tanker to depart safely and expeditiously from the berth upon completion of LNG transfer.

7.14 LNG Tanker Not Ready for LNG Transfer; Excess Laytime

- 7.14.1 If any LNG Tanker previously believed to be ready for LNG transfer is determined to be not ready after being berthed, the NOR shall be invalid, and Seller may direct the LNG Tanker's master to vacate the berth and proceed to anchorage, whether or not other LNG vessels are awaiting the berth, unless it appears reasonably certain to Seller that such LNG Tanker can be made ready without disrupting the overall berthing schedule of the Sabine Pass Facility or operations of the Sabine Pass Facility. When an unready LNG Tanker at anchorage becomes ready for LNG transfer, its master shall notify Seller. If, as a result of such LNG Tanker's not being ready to load, Buyer fails to take a cargo, the provisions of Sections 5.2.2 and 5.2.3 shall apply.
- **7.14.2** The following shall apply with respect to berthing:
 - (a) An LNG Tanker shall complete LNG transfer and vacate the berth as soon as possible but not later than the following allowed laytime:
 - twenty-four (24) hours from the time the LNG Tanker is all fast at the berth, in the case of an LNG Tanker with an LNG cargo containment capacity less than or equal to one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters; or

(ii) in accordance with the following formula, in the case of an LNG Tanker with an LNG cargo containment capacity greater than one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters:

24 + x = allowed laytime (in hours)

where:

x = y/12,000 Cubic Meters; and

y = the LNG cargo containment capacity of the LNG Tanker in excess of one hundred forty thousand (140,000) Cubic Meters.

- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the allowed laytime shall be extended for: (i) reasons attributable to Seller or any Affiliate of Seller, including SPLNG and Sabine Pass Tug Services, LLC; (ii) reasons attributable to a Governmental Authority; (iii) reasons attributable to any Third Party outside of the reasonable control of Buyer and any Affiliate of Buyer; (iv) time at berth during any cool-down pursuant to Sections 7.16.1(a)-(c); (v) Force Majeure; and (vi) nighttime transit restrictions.
- (c) If an LNG Tanker fails to depart at the end of its allowed laytime (as extended pursuant to Section 7.14.2(b)), another LNG vessel is awaiting the berth and the LNG Tanker's continued occupancy of the berth will disrupt the overall berthing schedule of the Sabine Pass Facility or operations of the Sabine Pass Facility, Seller may direct the LNG Tanker to vacate the berth and proceed to sea at utmost dispatch.
- (d) If an LNG Tanker fails to depart the berth at the end of its allowed laytime (as extended pursuant to Section 7.14.2(b)) and as a result the subsequent LNG vessel is prevented from or delayed in loading or unloading (as the case may be), Buyer shall reimburse Seller for any and all actual documented demurrage or excess boil-off that Seller becomes contractually obligated to pay to any Third Party with respect to such subsequent LNG vessel, as a result of the LNG Tanker not completing LNG transfer and vacating the berth as required by this Section 7.14.2; provided that Buyer shall not be required to reimburse Seller for any amounts based on a demurrage rate or excess boil-off rate or price in excess of the amounts specified in Section 7.12.3 and Section 7.12.4, as applicable. Seller shall invoice Buyer for any amounts due under this Section

7.14.2(d) pursuant to Section 10.1.4 within one hundred eighty (180) Days after the relevant Delivery Window.

(e) In the event an LNG Tanker fails to vacate the berth pursuant to this Section 7.14 and Buyer is not taking actions to cause it to vacate the berth, Seller may effect such removal at the expense of Buyer.

7.15 Cooperation

- 7.15.1 If any circumstance occurs or is foreseen to occur so as to cause delay to an LNG Tanker or any other LNG vessel in berthing, loading, unloading or departing, Buyer and Seller shall, without prejudice to any other provision of this Agreement, discuss the problem in good faith with each other and, if appropriate, with other users of the Loading Port, and the Parties shall use reasonable efforts to minimize or to avoid the delay, and at the same time shall cooperate with each other and with such other users of the Loading Port, as appropriate, to find countermeasures to minimize or to avoid the occurrence of any similar delay in the future.
- **7.15.2** With respect to an LNG Tanker scheduled to load a cargo at the Sabine Pass Facility, if such LNG Tanker is unable to berth at the Sabine Pass Facility by the end of its Delivery Window solely due to a Force Majeure event, then the relevant cargo shall be cancelled, to the extent affected; *provided, however*, that if requested by Buyer, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to change the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule in order to maximize the safe, reliable and efficient usage of the Sabine Pass Facility and to assist Buyer, Regasification Capacity Users, Foundation Customers, or other buyers having a firm contract to purchase LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility during such cancelled Delivery Windows or other affected delivery windows allocated to such Regasification Capacity Users, Foundation Customers, or other buyers having a firm contract to purchase LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility during such cancelled Delivery Windows or other affected delivery windows allocated to such Regasification Capacity Users, Foundation Customers, or other buyers having a firm contract to purchase LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility Users, Foundation Customers, or other buyers affected delivery windows allocated to such Regasification Capacity Users, Foundation Customers, or other buyers having a firm contract to purchase LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility.

7.16 Cool-Down and Gas-Up of LNG Tankers

- **7.16.1** Buyer shall be solely responsible for ensuring that each LNG Tanker elected by Buyer for taking a cargo arrives at the Sabine Pass Facility cold and in a state of readiness. Notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to Section 7.16.2, Seller shall provide cool-down service to LNG Tankers at Buyer's request as follows:
 - (a) Seller shall use reasonable efforts (taking into account availability of sufficient berth time) to accept Buyer's request to provide cool-down service for any LNG Tanker, subject to Buyer requesting such cool-down service by notice to Seller as far in advance of the



relevant cargo's Delivery Window as is reasonably practicable but in no case less than thirty (30) Days before the relevant cargo's Delivery Window, *provided* that Seller shall accept Buyer's request to provide a cool-down service if (i) Buyer makes such request by notice at the time Buyer proposes its schedule of receipt of cargoes pursuant to Section 8.1.2 for the relevant Contract Year or (ii) at the time of the request, the Composite ADP for the relevant Contract Year indicates sufficient available berth time to accommodate such cool-down service. Seller shall have no obligation to provide a cool-down service pursuant to this Section 7.16.1(a) in excess of six (6) total cool-downs during any Contract Year. All LNG provided by Seller for cooling such LNG Tankers shall be sold, delivered and invoiced by Seller, and paid for by Buyer, at a price equal to the CSP;

- (b) Seller shall provide cool-down service without charge to any LNG Tankers requiring cool-down solely as a result of a delay caused by Seller or Seller's Affiliate, but only if such LNG Tanker made no other call between the original Delivery Window and the requested cool-down time; and
- (c) Seller shall use reasonable efforts, contingent on the availability of sufficient berth time and facilities status to provide cool-down service at any time other than as described in Sections 7.16.1(a)-(b) upon request by Buyer, provided that all LNG provided by Seller for cooling such LNG Tankers shall be sold, delivered and invoiced by Seller, and paid for by Buyer, at a price equal to the CSP.
- **7.16.2** The following shall apply to any cool-down service provided by Seller pursuant to Section 7.16.1:
 - (a) the MMBtu content of the total liquid quantities delivered for cooling, measured before evaporation (without deduction of the quantity of vapor returned from the LNG Tanker), shall be determined by reference to the relevant LNG Tanker's cool-down tables;
 - (b) the Parties will determine by mutual agreement the rates and pressures for delivery of LNG for cool-down, but always in full accordance with safe operating parameters and procedures mutually established and agreed by both the LNG Tanker and the Sabine Pass Facility; and
 - (c) LNG provided during cool down by Seller pursuant to Section 7.16.1 shall not be applied against the Scheduled Cargo Quantity for the relevant cargo.

7.16.3 Seller shall use reasonable efforts to obtain all relevant Approvals needed to allow Seller to offer gas-up service to LNG Tankers at the Sabine Pass Facility.

8. Annual Delivery

Program

8.1 Programming Information

- **8.1.1** Concurrently with delivery of notice of the ACQ for such Contract Year in accordance with Section 5.1.1, Seller shall provide Buyer with Seller's good faith estimate of the Gross Heating Value of LNG to be delivered during the coming Contract Year.
- **8.1.2** No less than one hundred ten (110) Days before the start of each Contract Year, Buyer shall notify Seller of Buyer's proposed schedule of receipt of cargoes for each Month of such Contract Year, consistent with the ACQ notified by Seller to Buyer pursuant to Section 5.1.1. Subject to the BG SPA Ratability Requirement, such schedule shall be on a reasonably even and ratable basis throughout the year, and Buyer's notice shall include the following information:
 - (a) the LNG Tanker (if known) for each proposed cargo;
 - (b) the Scheduled Cargo Quantity for each proposed cargo;
 - (c) the proposed Delivery Window for each cargo;
 - (d) the anticipated Discharge Terminal for each proposed cargo, subject to Section 26.1; and
 - (e) any other information that may affect annual scheduling.

Buyer shall also inform Seller of any anticipated periods for maintenance to be conducted with respect to the LNG Tankers identified in (a) above.

8.1.3 Seller will then notify Buyer no less than eighty-five (85) Days before the start of such Contract Year of Seller's proposed schedule of cargoes to be made available in each Month of such Contract Year, exercising reasonable efforts to adopt Buyer's proposed schedule of receipts requested in accordance with Section 8.1.2; *provided, however*, that if Buyer fails to deliver the notice according to Section 8.1.2, Seller may nevertheless propose a schedule according to the terms of this Section 8.1.3; *provided further, however*, that prior to Seller notifying Buyer of Seller's proposed schedule, Seller shall offer BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC, the opportunity to improve the ratability of its LNG deliveries as required pursuant to Section 5.1.5 of the BG SPA (the "**BG SPA Ratability Requirement**"). Seller's notice to Buyer pursuant to this Section 8.1.3 shall include the following information:

- (a) the ACQ for the Contract Year;
- (b) for each cargo:
 - (i) the LNG Tanker (if specified by Buyer);
 - (ii) the Scheduled Cargo Quantity specified in the notice sent by Buyer pursuant to Section 8.1.2;
 - (iii) the proposed Delivery Window; and
 - (iv) the Discharge Terminal specified in the notice sent by Buyer pursuant to Section 8.1.2, subject to such Discharge Terminal complying with Section 26.1; and
- (c) any other information that may affect annual scheduling.

8.2 Determination of Annual Delivery Program

- 8.2.1 Not later than ten (10) Days after receipt of Seller's proposed schedule provided under Section 8.1.3, Buyer shall notify Seller if Buyer desires to consult with Seller regarding the proposed schedule, and Seller shall, no later than fifteen (15) Days after receipt of Buyer's notice, meet and consult with Buyer.
- 8.2.2 If, prior to the date that is sixty (60) Days before the start of the coming Contract Year, the Parties have agreed on a schedule of deliveries for such coming Contract Year, then Seller shall issue the delivery schedule agreed by the Parties. If the Parties are unable to agree on a schedule of deliveries for the coming Contract Year, then not later than sixty (60) Days before the start of such Contract Year, Seller shall issue the delivery schedule for such Contract Year containing the information set forth in Section 8.1.3, modified to reflect any changes agreed by the Parties pursuant to Section 8.2.1. The schedule promulgated by Seller shall reflect the exercise of reasonable efforts by Seller to (a) assign to Buyer Delivery Windows that are as close as reasonably practicable to the Delivery Windows proposed by Buyer, and (b) specify the Scheduled Cargo Quantity with respect to each LNG Tanker as notified by Buyer pursuant to Section 8.1.2. In assigning Delivery Windows Seller shall give priority to Third Party LNG SPA customers in accordance with the terms of such Third Party LNG SPAs. Subject to the BG SPA Ratability Requirement and the preceding sentence, Seller shall use reasonable efforts to schedule the ACQ on a reasonably even and ratable basis throughout each Contract Year in full cargo lots, to the extent practicable, and taking into consideration planned maintenance periods at the Sabine Pass Facility.



- **8.2.3** The schedule for deliveries of LNG during the Contract Year established pursuant to this Section 8.2, as amended from time to time in accordance with Section 8.3, is the "Annual Delivery Program" or "ADP". If Seller fails to issue the schedule provided for in Sections 8.1.3 or 8.2.2, if applicable, then the schedule proposed by Buyer under Section 8.1.2 shall be the ADP for the relevant Contract Year.
- **8.2.4** Seller shall combine the ADP with the similar schedules for the loading of cargoes for the account of other Persons having contractual rights to receive cargoes from Seller at the Sabine Pass Facility, and shall provide to Buyer a combined schedule (the "**Composite ADP**") showing all delivery windows and scheduled cargo quantities that have been committed by Seller, along with available, uncommitted loading windows at the Sabine Pass Facility. Seller shall promptly update the Composite ADP as the ADP is changed pursuant to Section 8.3 or other Persons' delivery windows are changed pursuant to their respective agreements.

8.3 Changes to Annual Delivery Program

- **8.3.1** Subject to the remainder of this Section 8.3, Buyer may request by notice a change in the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule for a Contract Year for any reason. Seller may request by notice a change in the Scheduled Cargo Quantity or the Delivery Window for any cargo in the ADP (including any Ninety Day Schedule) for such Contract Year for operational causes affecting Seller, including Force Majeure.
- **8.3.2** As soon as possible after notice has been received pursuant to this Section 8.3, the Parties shall consult with one another in order to examine whether such ADP or Ninety Day Schedule can be revised to accommodate such proposed change(s). Neither Party shall unreasonably withhold its consent to revise the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule in accordance with changes proposed by the other Party; provided that neither Party shall be under any obligation to consent thereto if, in the case of Seller, it is unable to agree after the exercise of reasonable efforts to any necessary changes in its arrangements with Regasification Capacity Users, Foundation Customers or other buyers of LNG from the Sabine Pass Facility or if, in the case of Buyer, it is unable to agree after the exercise of reasonable efforts to any necessary changes in its arrangements with the LNG Tankers or Buyer's customers or the requested change would impose additional costs or risks upon Buyer. Seller may not withhold its consent to revise the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule if Buyer's proposed change: (a) consists of the movement of a Delivery Window to dates not committed under the Composite ADP at the time of Buyer's request and does not result in a change to the Scheduled Cargo Quantity; (b) the proposed change is, by the exercise of reasonable efforts on the part of Seller, operationally feasible; and (c) the proposed change does not result in increased costs to Seller. Seller may not withhold its approval to a requested



change on the grounds of Section 8.3.2(c) if Buyer agrees to reimburse Seller for such increased costs.

- **8.3.3** Any change to the ADP or Ninety Day Schedule shall not, unless expressly agreed otherwise by both Parties in such amended ADP or Ninety Day Schedule, affect the obligations pursuant to Section 5 of the Party requesting such change.
- **8.3.4** Upon a change to the Delivery Window for a cargo, the ADP and/or Ninety Day Schedule shall be amended accordingly and an updated ADP and/or Ninety Day Schedule shall promptly be provided in writing by Seller to Buyer.

8.4 Ninety Day Schedule

No later than the twenty-fifth (25th) Day of each Month, Seller shall issue a forward plan of deliveries for the three (3)-Month period commencing on the first Day of the following Month thereafter (e.g., the Ninety Day Schedule for the three (3)-Month period commencing on May 1st shall be issued no later than the twenty-fifth (25th) Day of April) (such plan, as amended from time to time in accordance with procedures set forth in this Agreement, the "**Ninety Day Schedule**"). The Ninety Day Schedule shall set forth by cargo the forecast pattern of deliveries, including the Delivery Window, LNG Tanker and Scheduled Cargo Quantity for each cargo. In the absence of agreement between the Parties otherwise, the Ninety Day Schedule will maintain the Scheduled Cargo Quantities and Delivery Windows as identified in the Annual Delivery Program.

8.5 Force Majeure Affecting LNG Tanker

With respect to any particular cargo, Buyer shall not be entitled to claim Force Majeure relief for an event affecting the LNG Tanker nominated for such cargo if such LNG Tanker was affected by, or could reasonably have been expected to be affected by, such Force Majeure event at the time it was nominated by Buyer pursuant to Section 8.1.2 or Section 8.3, as applicable, for the relevant cargo.

8.6 Amended ADP to Schedule Cargoes Due to Increase in ACQ

- **8.6.1** Not less than seventy-five (75) Days in advance of any Day on which Seller anticipates in good faith that the ACQ will increase pursuant to Section 5.1.5 ("Anticipated ACQ Increase Day"), Seller shall notify Buyer of the Anticipated ACQ Increase Day and resulting increase in the ACQ.
- **8.6.2** Not less than sixty (60) Days before the Anticipated ACQ Increase Day, Buyer shall notify Seller of Buyer's proposed amendment to the ADP for the applicable Contract Year, such amendment to account for the increase in the ACQ related to occurrence of the Anticipated ACQ Increase Day.

- **8.6.3** Not later than five (5) Days after receipt of Buyer's proposed amendment provided under Section 8.6.2, the Parties shall meet and consult regarding, and work together in an attempt to agree to, an amendment to the relevant ADP to account for the applicable increase in the ACQ.
- **8.6.4** Not less than forty-four (44) Days before the Anticipated ACQ Increase Day, Seller shall issue an amended ADP for the relevant Contract Year as has been agreed by the Parties. If the Parties are unable to agree on the amended ADP for the relevant Contract Year, then not later than forty-four (44) Days before the Anticipated ACQ Increase Day, Seller shall issue the amended ADP, which in respect of each cargo that has been added to such ADP shall include the information set forth in Sections 8.1.2(a), 8.1.2(b) and 8.1.2(e) (as was notified by Buyer pursuant to Section 8.6.2). The amended ADP issued by Seller shall reflect the exercise of reasonable efforts by Seller to assign to Buyer Delivery Windows that are as close as reasonably practicable to the Delivery Windows proposed by Buyer pursuant to Section 8.6.2. The provisions of Section 8.3 shall not apply with respect to the process of amending the relevant ADP pursuant to this Section 8.6, but shall apply with respect to any further amendment thereto after the date of issuance of the amended ADP (other than a further amendment pursuant to this Section 8.6).
- **8.6.5** Notwithstanding the foregoing, if quantities become available hereunder because another buyer of Seller fails to take LNG or cancels or suspends the delivery of LNG, then Seller shall provide prompt notice of such event or occurrence to Buyer in accordance with Section 5.1.3. If Buyer accepts such offer, then Seller shall amend the ADP and, if applicable, Ninety Day Schedule, as soon as reasonably practicable to reflect such additional cargo(es) for sale and delivery hereunder.

9. Contract Sales Price; Profit Allocation

9.1 Contract Sales Price

The contract sales price ("CSP") (expressed in USD per MMBtu) for all LNG made available by Seller to Buyer shall be as follows:

CSP = 1.15 x HH

9.2 Buyer's Additional Payment Calculations

- **9.2.1** <u>Allocated Cargoes</u>. In respect of each Quarter, an "Allocated Cargo" shall mean a cargo that consists entirely or partially of one or more of the following:
 - (a) LNG quantities that Seller makes available hereunder and that Buyer sells and delivers to any Third Party during such Quarter as LNG or as Gas produced in respect thereof;

- (b) any Cargo DoP Quantity in respect of which Buyer has obtained a replacement quantity of LNG or Gas pursuant to Section 5.3.2(a) that Buyer sells and delivers to any Third Party during such Quarter as LNG or as Gas; and
- (c) any Cargo DoP Quantity in respect of which Buyer has not obtained a replacement quantity of LNG or Gas, provided that either (i) if such Cargo DoP Quantity represents a portion of a cargo to which one or more of Section 9.2.1(a) or Section 9.2.1(b) apply, then such cargo (including such Cargo DoP Quantity) is an Allocated Cargo as defined Section 9.2.1(a) or Section 9.2.1(b), as applicable; or (ii) if such Cargo DoP Quantity is not a portion of a cargo to which one or both of Section 9.2.1(a) or Section 9.2.1(b) apply, then the Delivery Window applicable to such Cargo DoP Quantity shall have commenced during the applicable Quarter.
- **9.2.2** <u>Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit</u>. The "**Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit**" for an Allocated Cargo shall be an amount (in USD), equal to:
 - (a) the sum of all proceeds earned by Buyer in respect of the Allocated Cargo, including commodity charges, demand charges, reservation payments, standby charges, proceeds from hedging and similar transactions (including forward and future sales, call option premiums, and exchange or swap premiums), and all other payments of a similar nature, together with any Cargo DoP Credit, in each case in respect of the Allocated Cargo or the proportion of such payments or other proceeds that relates to such Allocated Cargo; *minus*
 - (b) the sum of all direct costs incurred by Buyer specifically for the purchase, loading, transportation, unloading, storage, and delivery of such Allocated Cargo, including (i) the CSP paid by Buyer to Seller hereunder, (ii) fuel and boil-off Gas (each calculated on a roundtrip basis), (iii) Port Charges incurred by Buyer pursuant to Section 7.5.4, (iv) Buyer Taxes specified in Section 11.3(c) applicable to the Allocated Cargo (less any Seller Taxes specified in Section 11.2(d) that are applicable to such Allocated Cargo), (v) losses and expenses from hedging and similar transactions (including forward and future sales, put option premiums, and exchange or swap premiums), (vi) downstream breakage costs resulting from any failure by Seller (whether due to Force Majeure or otherwise), and (vii) costs in respect of any Acceptable Letter of Credit, issued for the benefit of Seller hereunder in respect of the Allocated Cargo, together with, in the case where Section 9.2.1(b) applies, the cost of obtaining the replacement quantity in respect of the Allocated Cargo, or the proportion of any of the foregoing costs that relates to such Allocated Cargo, but excluding (i) interest and other financing costs, and (ii) any Buyer Taxes and Seller Taxes other than those specifically referenced above in this Section 9.2.2(b).

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 9.2.2, if the foregoing calculation for an Allocated Cargo would produce a Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit that is less than zero, then Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit for such Allocated Cargo shall be zero.

- **9.2.3** <u>Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs</u>. Without duplication of any amount included in Section 9.2.2, the "**Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs**" for a given Quarter shall be an amount (in USD) calculated as the sum of:
 - (a) the sum of the following indirect costs incurred by Buyer during such Quarter:
 - Third Party LNG receiving terminal capacity charges, to the extent that such capacity was obtained for the purpose, in whole or in part, of use in connection with this Agreement, net of any revenue earned by Buyer and associated with such receiving terminal;
 - (ii) charter costs for shipping capacity and any other similar costs reasonably related to shipping, related to LNG Tankers used or to be used by Buyer to take delivery of a Scheduled Cargo Quantity, to the extent not allocated pursuant to Section 9.2.2(b) to any Allocated Cargo, net of any chartering, sub-chartering or other revenue earned by Buyer in respect of such LNG Tankers during such Quarter (provided that if the foregoing netting results in net revenues, then the sum of the other costs identified in this Section 9.2.3(a) shall be reduced accordingly, but not below zero); and
 - (iii) all fuel costs incurred by Buyer and consumed by LNG Tankers described in Section 9.2.3(a)(ii), to the extent not allocated pursuant to Section 9.2.2(b) to any Allocated Cargo;

multiplied by the total quantity of LNG (in MMBtu) in respect of all Allocated Cargoes in such Quarter, *divided* by the sum of (x) the total quantity of LNG (in MMBtu) in respect of all Allocated Cargoes in such Quarter, and (y) the total quantity of LNG and Gas (in MMBtu) sold and delivered by Buyer to any Third Party during such Quarter (to the extent not counted in (x)); and

(b) the sum of (i) letter of credit commitment fees and costs in respect of any Acceptable Letter of Credit issued for the benefit of Seller hereunder, to the extent not allocated pursuant to Section 9.2.2(b) to any Allocated Cargo; and (ii) Buyer's Loss Carryover for the prior Quarter as calculated pursuant to Section 9.2.4(a)(i) or 9.2.4(b)(x), as applicable; *provided, however*, that for the first Quarter that begins following June 30th of each Contract Year, the amount in Section 9.2.3(b)(ii) shall be zero.



- 9.2.4 <u>Buyer's Per Cargo Net Profit</u>. The "Buyer's Per Cargo Net Profit" for each Allocated Cargo in a given Quarter shall be an amount (in USD) calculated as follows:
 - (a) if Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs for such Quarter exceed the sum of the Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profits for all Allocated Cargoes of such Quarter, then (i) Buyer's Loss Carryover for such Quarter shall equal such excess, and (ii) the Buyer's Per Cargo Net Profit for each such Allocated Cargo shall be zero; and
 - (b) in all other cases, (x) Buyer's Loss Carryover for such Quarter shall equal zero, and (y) the Buyer's Per Cargo Net Profit for each Allocated Cargo of such Quarter shall be an amount equal to:
 - (i) Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit for such Allocated Cargo; *minus*
 - (ii) Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs for such Quarter, *multiplied by* the Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profit for such Allocated Cargo, *divided by* the sum of the Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profits for all Allocated Cargoes of such Quarter.
- **9.2.5** <u>Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit</u>. The "**Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit**" for an Allocated Cargo shall be an amount (in USD per MMBtu) calculated as follows:
 - (a) Buyer's Per Cargo Net Profit for such Allocated Cargo; *divided* by
 - (b) the quantity of LNG (in MMBtu) in respect of such Allocated Cargo.

9.3 Buyer's Additional Payments

9.3.1 Quarterly Ranked List.

In respect of each Quarter, Buyer shall rank each Allocated Cargo from highest to lowest in accordance with the Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit for each such Allocated Cargo, whereupon the Allocated Cargo with the highest Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit for such Quarter shall be ranked first, and the cargo with the lowest Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit shall be ranked last (the "Quarterly Ranked List"), and shall promptly deliver a copy of such list to Seller.

9.3.2 <u>Buyer's Quarterly Additional</u> <u>Payment.</u>

- (a) For each Allocated Cargo or portion thereof that is in the first Quarterly Payment Threshold Amount of the Quarterly Ranked List, Buyer shall pay to Seller an amount equal to the product of:
 - (i) the lesser of (A) Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit for the Allocated Cargo, and (B) USD three (US\$3.00) per MMBtu; and
 - (ii) the quantity of LNG (in MMBtu) in respect of such Allocated Cargo or portion thereof.
- (b) For each Allocated Cargo or portion thereof in excess of the first Quarterly Payment Threshold Amount of the Quarterly Ranked List, Buyer shall pay to Seller an amount equal to the product of:
 - (i) twenty percent (20%) of Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit for such Allocated Cargo; and
 - (ii) the quantity of LNG (in MMBtu) in respect of such Allocated Cargo or portion thereof.
- (c) The amounts payable by Buyer to Seller pursuant to Sections 9.3.2(a) and 9.3.2(b) in respect of any Allocated Cargo, shall be the "Cargo Quarterly Additional Payment" for such Allocated Cargo (which such amount shall not be less than zero), and the sum of all Cargo Quarterly Additional Payments in respect of any Quarter shall be the "Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payment" for such Quarter; *provided, however*, that if such Quarter includes one or more Allocated Cargoes that consist entirely or partially of Cargo DoP Quantities, then Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payment for such Quarter shall be reduced, but not below zero, by the sum of the related Cargo DoP Credit(s) in such Quarter, and no amount shall be due by Seller in respect of such Quarter pursuant to Section 5.3.2, other than the credit set forth in this Section 9.3.2(c).

9.3.3 <u>Quarterly Settlements of Estimated</u> <u>Amounts</u>.

Within ten (10) Days of the end of each Quarter, Buyer shall calculate the proceeds earned by Buyer pursuant to this Section 9.3 in such Quarter (net of any Cargo DoP Credits to which Buyer is entitled in respect of such Quarter), and shall provide such calculations to Seller along with sufficiently detailed support for Buyer's computations.

9.3.4 <u>Annual True-</u><u>Ups.</u>

- (a) Following each Contract Year, Buyer shall re-rank each Allocated Cargo from all Quarters within such Contract Year, from highest to lowest in accordance with each such cargo's Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit, whereupon the cargo with the highest Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit for such Contract Year shall be ranked first, and the cargo with the lowest Buyer's Per MMBtu Net Profit shall be ranked last (the "Annual Ranked List").
- (b) Following each Contract Year, Buyer:
 - (i) shall re-run calculations equivalent to those described in Section 9.3.2, but by reference to all Allocated Cargoes in such Contract Year and substituting the first Annual Payment Threshold Amount for each reference to the first Quarterly Payment Threshold Amount in Section 9.3.2(a) and 9.3.2(b), and shall determine the equivalent amount that would have been payable pursuant to such calculations by Buyer to Seller in respect of each Allocated Cargo and in respect of such Contract Year (the "Buyer's Annual Additional Payment"), in each case absent quarterly calculations; *provided, however*, that, consistent with Section 9.3.2(c), if such Contract Year includes one or more Allocated Cargoes that consist entirely or partially of Cargo DoP Quantities, then Buyer's Annual Additional Payment shall be reduced, but not below zero, by the sum of the related Cargo DoP Credit(s) in such Contract Year, and no amount shall be due by Seller in respect of such Contract Year pursuant to Section 5.3.2 other than the credit set forth in this Section 9.3.4(b)(i); and
 - (ii) shall calculate the amount of any payment required to be made by either Party to the other to reconcile the difference between the aggregate amount of the Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payments and the Buyer's Annual Additional Payment for such Contract Year.
- (c) In respect of each Contract Year, and in addition to any reconciliation payments required to be made by Buyer pursuant to Section 9.3.4(b)(ii), if the sum of all GP and all DC for all Allocated Cargoes made available to Buyer from all Quarters within such Contract Year exceeds the sum of the amounts of CSP, *multiplied by* the applicable quantities, paid or payable by Buyer hereunder for all such Allocated Cargoes as set forth in Section 10.1.1, *plus* the amount of any Buyer's Loss Carryover immediately prior to the application of the proviso to Section 9.2.3(b)(ii), then Buyer shall pay to Seller an amount equal to such excess, up to a maximum of the sum of the Buyer's Per Cargo Operating Profits for all such Allocated Cargoes during such Contract Year, *less* the sum of the Buyer's Quarterly Indirect Costs for all Quarters in such Contract Year (but calculated for these purposes only, without regard to the proviso to Section 9.2.3(b)(ii)), and *less* any amounts otherwise paid by Buyer to Seller as Buyer's Annual Additional Payment for such Contract Year. Within thirty (30) Days of the end of each Contract Year, Buyer shall provide Seller with all calculations made pursuant to this Section 9.3.4.



9.4 Audit of Affiliate Transactions

At any time prior to the expiration of six months following the deadline for issuance by Seller of the annual reconciliation statement for a Contract Year pursuant to Section 10.1.5, Seller may, at its expense, require that an independent auditor review any transaction between Buyer and an Affiliate of Buyer in respect of which Buyer earned proceeds identified in Section 9.2.2(a) or 9.2.3(a)(ii) during such Contract Year or incurred costs identified in Section 9.2.2(b) or 9.2.3(a) during such Contract Year, for the purpose of determining whether such proceeds and costs accurately reflect an arm's length fair market value; *provided, however*, that in respect of any such costs incurred by Buyer for which charges are regulated by a Governmental Authority, the rates actually charged shall be deemed to be an arm's length fair market value.

10. Invoicing and Payment

10.1 Invoices

- 10.1.1 <u>Invoices for Cargoes</u>. Invoices for each cargo made available by Seller and taken by Buyer, together with relevant supporting documents including a certificate of quantity loaded, shall be prepared and delivered by Seller to Buyer promptly following each Delivery Window and receipt of the final inspection certificate applicable to the loading of such cargo. The invoice amount shall be the CSP, multiplied by the quantity of LNG loaded on the LNG Tanker net of Gas returned to Seller during loading.
- **10.1.2** <u>Invoices for Cover Damages</u>. Invoices for Cover Damages owed to Seller by Buyer shall be prepared by Seller and delivered to Buyer promptly following the Delivery Window for each affected cargo.
- **10.1.3** <u>Quarterly Invoices</u>. Quarterly invoices for any Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payment owed to Seller by Buyer shall be prepared by Seller and delivered to Buyer promptly upon receipt by Seller of Buyer's calculations pursuant to Section 9.3.3.

- **10.1.4** <u>Invoices for Other Sums Due</u>. In the event that any sums are due from one Party to the other Party under this Agreement, other than for a reason addressed in Section 10.1.1 through 10.1.3, the Party to whom such sums are owed shall furnish an invoice therefor, describing in reasonable detail the basis for such invoice and providing relevant documents supporting the calculation thereof.
- **10.1.5** <u>Annual Statements</u>. Within ninety (90) Days following the end of each Contract Year, Seller shall render to Buyer an annual reconciliation statement, based on the information provided by Buyer pursuant to Section 9.3.4, showing for such Contract Year:
 - (a) the invoices issued pursuant to Sections 10.1.1 to 10.1.4;
 - (b) the Cargo Shortfall Quantities;
 - (c) the Cargo DoP Quantities;
 - (d) the aggregate quantity of LNG made available by Seller and the aggregate quantity of LNG taken by Buyer, in each case in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;
 - (e) the Annual Ranked List;
 - (f) the sums paid or payable by the Parties under this Agreement in respect of such Contract Year (including any Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payments and Buyer's Annual Additional Payment);
 - (g) the amount of any inaccuracy identified by an independent auditor in respect of any previous Contract Year pursuant to Section 10.5, (and that has not previously been taken account of pursuant to this Section 10.1.5); and
 - (h) an invoice for the net sum, if any, payable by either Party to the other with respect to such Contract Year pursuant to Section 9.3.3.

10.1.6 Provisional

Invoices.

(a) In the event (i) a rate or index used in the calculation of an amount is not available on a temporary or permanent basis; or (ii) any other relevant information necessary to compute an invoice is not available, the invoicing Party may issue a provisional invoice ("Provisional Invoice") in an amount calculated, in the case of subsection (i) of this Section 10.1.6(a), in accordance with Section 1.3, and, in the case of subsection (ii) of this Section 10.1.6(a), based on the best estimate of the unavailable information by the Party issuing the Provisional Invoice. A Provisional Invoice shall be deemed to be an invoice

issued pursuant to Section 10.1.1 through 10.1.3, as applicable, for the purposes of the payment obligations of Seller or Buyer, as applicable, and shall be subject to subsequent adjustment in accordance with Section 10.1.6(b).

- (b) If a Provisional Invoice has been issued, the invoicing Party shall issue a final invoice reflecting any credit or debit, as applicable, to the Provisional Invoice as soon as reasonably practicable after the information necessary to compute the payment has been obtained by such Party. Seller and Buyer shall settle such debit or credit amount, as the case may be, when payment of the next invoice is due pursuant to Section 10.2 or, if earlier, upon the termination of this Agreement.
- 10.1.7 <u>Notice</u>. Invoices shall be sent in accordance with Section 25.

10.2 Payment

All amounts invoiced under this Agreement that are due and payable shall be paid in accordance with this Section 10.2.

- 10.2.1 Payments for Cargoes. Invoices issued in accordance with Section 10.1.1 for cargoes made available and taken shall become due and payable by Buyer on: (i) if Seller has an Acceptable Credit Rating when it issues such invoice, the twenty-fifth (25th) Day of the Month immediately following the Month during which the relevant cargo's Delivery Window commences, and (ii) if Seller does not have an Acceptable Credit Rating when it issues such invoice, the tenth (10th) Day following Buyer's receipt of the invoice.
- **10.2.2** <u>Payments for Cover Damages</u>. Invoices issued in accordance with Section 10.1.2 shall become due and payable by Buyer on the tenth (10th) Day following receipt by Buyer.
- **10.2.3** <u>Buyer's Quarterly Additional Payments</u>. Invoices issued in accordance with Section 10.1.3, shall become due and payable by Buyer on the tenth (10th) Day following receipt by Buyer.
- **10.2.4** <u>Payments for Other Sums Due</u>. An invoice issued pursuant to Section 10.1.4 shall be paid by the paying Party thereunder not later than twenty (20) Days after receipt of such invoice.
- **10.2.5** <u>Annual Payments</u>. An invoice issued pursuant to Section 10.1.5 shall be paid by the paying Party thereunder not later than ten (10) Days after Seller's receipt of such invoice.
- **10.2.6** <u>Payment Method</u>. All invoices shall be settled by payment in USD of the sum due by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account with the bank designated by the other Party in accordance with Section 10.2.7.



- 10.2.7 <u>Designated Bank</u>. Each Party shall designate a bank in a location reasonably acceptable to the other Party for payments under this Agreement. A Party shall designate its bank by notice to the other Party initially not later than one hundred twenty (120) Days prior to the Date of First Commercial Delivery and thereafter not less than thirty (30) Days before any redesignation is to be effective.
- **10.2.8** <u>Payment Date</u>. If any invoice issued pursuant to Section 10.1 would result in a Party being required to make a payment on a Day that is not a Business Day, then the due date for such invoice shall be the immediately succeeding Business Day; *provided, however*, that in no event shall any invoice be due less than five (5) Business Days after receipt by the Party being required to make a payment.

10.3 Disputed Invoice

- 10.3.1 Payment Pending Dispute. Absent manifest error, each Party invoiced shall pay all disputed and undisputed amounts due under such invoice without netting or offsetting any amounts owed by the Party receiving the invoice, including taxes (except as provided in Section 11.4), exchange charges, or bank transfer charges. In the case of manifest error, the correct amount shall be paid disregarding such error, and necessary correction and consequent adjustment shall be made within five (5) Business Days after agreement or determination of the correct amount.
- 10.3.2 <u>Timing</u>. Except with respect to Sections 1.3, 10.3.4, and 14, any invoice may be contested by the receiving Party only pursuant to Section 10.5 or if, within a period of thirteen (13) Months after its receipt thereof, that Party serves notice to the other Party questioning the correctness of such invoice. Subject to Section 10.5, if no such notice is served, the invoice shall be deemed correct and accepted by both Parties.
- 10.3.3 Interest. The Party who invoiced and received payment of a sum, subsequently determined not to have been payable under this Agreement to such Party, shall pay interest to the other Party on such amount, at a rate per annum equal to two percent (2%) above LIBOR (as in effect on the Day when such sum was originally paid) on and from the Day when such sum was originally paid until the date of its repayment, provided that, without prejudice to the other terms of this Agreement, if such period lasts longer than ninety (90) Days, the applicable LIBOR rate for each successive term of ninety (90) Days during that period shall be that in effect on the first Day of that ninety (90) Day period. Interest shall accrue from Day to Day and be calculated on the basis of a three hundred sixty (360) Day year.

10.3.4 <u>Measurement or Analyzing Errors</u>. Any errors found in an invoice or credit note which are caused by the inaccuracy of any measuring or analyzing equipment or device shall be corrected in accordance with Exhibit A hereto, as applicable, and shall be settled in the same manner as is set out above in this Section 10.3.

10.4 Delay in Payment

- **10.4.1** Interest. If either Seller or Buyer fails to make payment of any sum as and when due under this Agreement, it shall pay interest thereon to the other Party at a rate per annum equal to two percent (2%) above LIBOR (as in effect on the Day when such sum was originally due) on and from the Day when payment was due until the date of payment, provided that, without prejudice to the other terms of this Agreement, if such period lasts longer than ninety (90) Days, the applicable LIBOR rate for each successive term of ninety (90) Days during that period shall be that in effect on the first Day of that ninety (90) Day period. Interest shall accrue from Day to Day and be calculated on the basis of a three hundred sixty (360) Day year.
- **10.4.2** <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. Subject to Section 21.1.12, each Party shall bear its own costs (including attorneys' or Experts' fees or costs) in respect of enforcement of such Party's rights in any Dispute proceeding as a result of the other Party failing to perform or failing timely to perform its obligations under this Agreement including failing timely to make any payment in accordance with this Agreement.

10.5 Audit Rights

Either Party may request support for, or information related to, any calculations, estimates, or invoices provided hereunder, and the other Party shall provide such support or information to the extent reasonable. In addition, each Party shall have the right, at any time prior to the expiration of six months following the deadline for issuance by Seller of the annual reconciliation statement for a Contract Year pursuant to Section 10.1.5, to cause an independent auditor, appointed by such Party at such Party's sole cost and expense, to audit the books, records and accounts of the other Party that are directly relevant to the determination of any amounts invoiced, charged, or credited by the other Party within such Contract Year or as otherwise required by this Agreement. Such audit shall be conducted at the office where the records are located, during the audited Party's regular business hours and on reasonable prior notice, and shall be completed within thirty (30) Days after the audited Party's relevant records have been made available to the auditing Party. The independent auditor shall be a major international accountancy firm, and the Party appointing such auditor shall cause the auditor to execute a confidentiality agreement acceptable to the Party being audited. If the audit discloses an error in any invoiced amount under this Agreement, then the auditing Party shall, within thirty (30) Days following completion of the audit pertaining to the affected invoice or statement, provide notice

to the audited Party describing the error and the basis therefor. Promptly thereafter, the Parties shall commence discussions regarding such error in order to expeditiously, and in good faith, achieve resolution thereof, provided that any adjustments arising from such audit shall be made and all credits or charges finalized within forty-five (45) Days of completion of any relevant audit.

10.6 Seller's Rights Upon Buyer's Failure to Make Payment

10.6.1 If:

- (a) Seller has not received payment in respect of any amounts due under any invoice(s) under this Agreement within five (5) Business Days after the due date thereof; or
- (b) Buyer breaches any of its obligations under Section 17.4;

then without prejudice to any other rights and remedies of Seller arising under this Agreement or by Applicable Laws or otherwise, upon giving five (5) Business Days' notice to Buyer, Seller may:

- (i) make a demand under the Acceptable Letter of Credit of the amount due (if any); and
- (ii) if Seller is unable successfully to demand the unpaid amount under the Acceptable Letter of Credit and such unpaid amounts total in excess of USD thirty million (US\$30,000,000), suspend delivering any or all subsequent cargoes until Buyer has cured any such failure or breach.
- 10.6.2 In the event of such suspension, Buyer shall not be relieved of any of its obligations under this Agreement, including its obligation to take any LNG, and Section 5.2 will apply with respect to each cargo scheduled in the Annual Delivery Program or Ninety Day Schedule which is not delivered during the suspension.
- **10.6.3** During the period that such suspension is effective, Seller shall have no obligation to make available any cargoes to Buyer.

10.7 Final Settlement

Within sixty (60) Days after expiration of the Term or the earlier termination of this Agreement, Seller and Buyer shall determine the amount of any final reconciliation payment. After the amount of the final settlement has been determined, Seller shall send a statement to Buyer, or Buyer shall send a statement to Seller, as the case may be, for amounts due under this Section 10.7, and Seller or Buyer, as the case may be, shall pay such final statement no later than twenty (20) Business Days after the date of receipt thereof.

11. Taxes

11.1 Responsibility

Buyer shall indemnify and hold Seller and its direct or indirect owners and Affiliates harmless from any and all Buyer Taxes, and Seller shall indemnify and hold Buyer and its Affiliates harmless from any and all Seller Taxes.

11.2 Seller

Taxes

"Seller Taxes" means any taxes imposed from time to time:

- (a) solely on account of the corporate existence of Seller or its Affiliates;
- (b) in respect of the property, revenue, income, or profits of Seller or its Affiliates (other than taxes required to be deducted or withheld by Buyer from or in respect of any payments (whether in cash or in kind) under this Agreement);
- (c) subject to Section 11.5, in the United States of America or any political subdivision thereof, that may be levied or assessed upon the sale, use or purchase of LNG, if Seller is required by the United States of America or any political subdivision thereof to collect or remit payment thereof;
- (d) in the United States of America or any political subdivision thereof, that relate to the export, loading, storage, processing, transport, ownership of title, or delivery of LNG, up to and at the Delivery Point; and
- (e) payable by Buyer by reason of a failure by Seller to properly deduct, withhold or pay any taxes described in Section 11.4.

11.3 Buyer Taxes

"Buyer Taxes" means any taxes imposed from time to time:

- (a) solely on account of the corporate existence of Buyer or its Affiliates;
- (b) in respect of the revenue, income, or profits of Buyer or its Affiliates (other than taxes required to be deducted or withheld by Seller from or in respect of payments (whether in cash or in kind) under this Agreement);
- (c) in the United States of America or any political subdivision thereof or in any jurisdiction in which any of Buyer's Discharge Terminals are located, or any jurisdiction through which any LNG Tanker transits or on which any LNG Tanker calls, any taxes that relate to

the import, unloading, export, loading, storage, processing, transfer, transport, ownership of title, receipt or delivery of LNG after the Delivery Point; and

(d) payable by Seller by reason of a failure by Buyer to properly deduct, withhold or pay any taxes described in Section 11.4.

11.4 Withholding Taxes

If Seller or Buyer (in either case, the "**Payor**" for purposes of this Section 11.4), is required to deduct or withhold taxes from or in respect of any payments (whether in cash or in kind) to the other Party under this Agreement, then: (a) the Payor shall make such deductions and withholdings; (b) the Payor shall pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the appropriate Governmental Authority in accordance with Applicable Laws; (c) the Payor shall promptly furnish to the other Party the original or a certified copy of a receipt evidencing such payment; and (d) the sum payable by the Payor to the other Party shall be increased by such additional sums as necessary so that after making all required deductions and withholdings of taxes (including deductions and withholdings of taxes applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 11.4), the other Party receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deductions or withholdings of taxes been made.

11.5 Sales

Tax

Buyer shall provide to Seller evidence of exemption, if any, from sales and use tax imposed by the State of Louisiana in respect of the purchase of LNG. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the State of Louisiana levies or assesses sales or use tax on the sale and purchase of LNG pursuant to the Agreement, Buyer shall pay the amount of such tax to Seller for payment to the appropriate taxing authorities.

11.6 Mitigation

Each Party shall use reasonable efforts to take actions or measures requested by the other Party in order to minimize taxes for which the other Party is liable under this Section 11, including providing applicable sales and use tax resale or exemption certificates, provided that the other Party shall pay such Party's reasonable costs and expenses in relation thereto.

11.7 Refunds

If a Party has made an indemnification payment to the other Party pursuant to this Section 11 with respect to any amount owed or paid by the indemnified Party and the indemnified Party thereafter receives a refund or credit of any such amount, such indemnified Party shall pay to the indemnifying Party the amount of such

refund or credit promptly following the receipt thereof. The indemnified Party shall provide such assistance as the indemnifying Party may reasonably request to obtain such a refund or credit.

12. Quality

12.1 Specification

- 12.1.1 LNG delivered under this Agreement shall, when converted into a gaseous state, comply with the following specifications ("Specifications"):
 - Minimum Gross Heat Content (dry) 1000 BTU/SCF Maximum Gross Heat Content (dry) 1150 BTU/SCF Minimum methane (C1) 84.0 MOL% Maximum H2S 0.25 grains per 100 SCF 1.35 grains per 100 SCF Maximum Sulfur Maximum N2 1.5 MOL% Maximum Ethane (C2) 11 MOL% Maximum Propane (C3) 3.5 MOL% Maximum Butane (C4) and heavier 2 MOL%

LNG shall contain no water, active bacteria or bacterial agents (including sulfate-reducing bacteria or acid producing bacteria) or other contaminants or extraneous material.

12.1.2 With respect to each cargo to be delivered to Buyer under this Agreement, Seller shall provide Buyer with a report indicating Seller's best estimate of what the actual loaded quality composition of the LNG to be delivered to Buyer in such cargo is likely to be. Seller shall use reasonable efforts to provide such report as early as possible during the thirty (30) Day period immediately preceding the relevant cargo's Delivery Window.

12.2 Determining LNG Specifications

LNG shall be tested pursuant to Exhibit A to determine whether such LNG complies with the Specifications.

12.3 Off-Specification LNG

- 12.3.1 If Seller, acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator, determines prior to loading a cargo that the LNG is expected not to comply with the Specifications ("Off-Spec LNG") upon loading, then:
 - (a) Seller shall give notice to Buyer of the extent of the expected variance as soon as practicable (but in no case later than the commencement of loading of the cargo);
 - (b) Buyer shall use reasonable efforts, including coordinating with the Transporter and the operator of the Discharge Terminal, to accept such LNG where the LNG would be acceptable to the Transporter and the operator of the Discharge Terminal, each of them acting in their sole discretion (unless Transporter or such operator is Buyer or an Affiliate of Buyer), and would not prejudice the safe and reliable operation of any LNG Tanker, the Discharge Terminal, and any downstream facilities being supplied regasified LNG;
 - (c) if Buyer can accept delivery of such cargo, then Buyer shall notify Seller of Buyer's estimate of the direct costs to be incurred by Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer, Transporter, and the operator of the Discharge Terminal in transporting and treating such Off-Spec LNG (or to otherwise make such LNG marketable), and, to the extent Seller agrees to such estimate, Buyer shall take delivery of such cargo, and Seller shall reimburse Buyer for all reasonable documented direct costs incurred by Buyer (including costs owed to any Affiliate of Buyer, Transporter, and the operator of the Discharge Terminal in transporting and treating such Off-Spec LNG (or to otherwise make such LNG marketable) prior to and at the Discharge Terminal), provided, however, that Seller's liability shall not exceed one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the estimate notified by Buyer and agreed by Seller; and
 - (d) if Buyer determines in good faith that it cannot, using reasonable efforts, receive such cargo, or (1) Seller rejects the cost estimate or (2) Buyer anticipates that it might be liable for costs that would not otherwise be reimbursed pursuant to Section 12.3.1(c), then Buyer shall be entitled to reject such cargo by giving Seller notice of rejection within seventy-two (72) hours of Buyer's receipt of Seller's notice.
- 12.3.2 If Off-Spec LNG is delivered to Buyer without Buyer being made aware of the fact that such Off-Spec LNG does not comply with the Specifications, or without Buyer being made aware of the actual extent to which such Off-Spec LNG does not comply with the Specifications, then:



- (a) if Buyer is able, using reasonable efforts, to transport and treat the Off-Spec LNG to meet the Specifications (or to otherwise make such LNG marketable), then Seller shall reimburse Buyer for all reasonable documented direct costs incurred by Buyer (including direct costs owed to any Affiliate of Buyer, Transporter, and the operator of the Discharge Terminal in transporting and treating such Off-Spec LNG received at the Discharge Terminal to meet the Specifications (or to otherwise make such LNG marketable)), in an amount not exceeding one hundred percent (100%) of the product of the delivered quantity of such Off-Spec LNG and the CSP; *provided, however*, that Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer, Transporter, and the operator of the Discharge Terminal shall not be required to incur costs in excess of those reimbursable by Seller; or
- (b) if Buyer determines in good faith that it cannot, using reasonable efforts, transport and treat such Off-Spec LNG to meet the Specifications (or to make such LNG marketable), then: (i) Buyer shall be entitled to reject such Off-Spec LNG by giving Seller notice of such rejection as soon as practicable, and in any case within ninety-six (96) hours after (A) Seller notifies Buyer in writing that such LNG is Off-Spec LNG and the actual extent to which such Off-Spec LNG does not comply with the Specifications or (B) Buyer becomes aware that such LNG is Off-Spec LNG, whichever occurs first; (ii) Buyer shall be entitled to dispose of the loaded portion of such Off-Spec LNG (or regasified LNG produced therefrom) in any manner that Buyer, acting in accordance with the standards of a Reasonable and Prudent Operator, deems appropriate including by directing Seller to offload such Off-Spec LNG at the Loading Port; and (iii) Seller shall reimburse Buyer in respect of and indemnify and hold Buyer harmless from all direct loss, damage, costs and expenses incurred by Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer, or Transporter as a result of the delivery of such Off-Spec LNG being held at the Discharge Terminal or being carried onboard the LNG Tanker which was contaminated by it, cleaning or clearing the LNG Tanker and Discharge Terminal.
- **12.3.3** If Buyer rejects a cargo in accordance with Section 12.3.1(d) or 12.3.2(b), Seller shall be deemed to have failed to make available such cargo and Section 5.3.2 shall apply.

13. Measurements and Tests

13.1 LNG Measurement and Tests

LNG delivered to Buyer, and Gas used as fuel by Buyer, pursuant to this Agreement shall be measured and tested in accordance with Exhibit A.

13.2 Parties to Supply Devices

- 13.2.1 Buyer shall supply, operate and maintain, or cause to be supplied, operated and maintained, suitable gauging devices for the LNG tanks of the LNG Tanker, as well as pressure and temperature measuring devices, in accordance with Section 13.3 and Exhibit A, and any other measurement, gauging or testing devices which are incorporated in the structure of such LNG Tanker or customarily maintained on shipboard.
- **13.2.2** Seller shall supply, operate and maintain, or cause to be supplied, operated and maintained, devices required for collecting samples and for determining quality and composition of the delivered LNG, in accordance with Section 13.3 and Exhibit A, and any other measurement, gauging or testing devices which are necessary to perform the measurement and testing required hereunder at the Loading Port.

13.3 Selection of Devices

Each device provided for in this Section 13 shall be selected and verified in accordance with Exhibit A. Any devices that are provided for in this Section 13 not previously used in an existing LNG trade shall be chosen by written agreement of the Parties and shall be such as are, at the time of selection, accurate and reliable in their practical application. The required degree of accuracy of such devices shall be agreed in writing by Buyer and Seller in advance of their use, and such degree of accuracy shall be verified by an independent surveyor who is agreed by Buyer and Seller.

13.4 Tank Gauge Tables of LNG Tanker

Buyer shall furnish to Seller, or cause Seller to be furnished, a certified copy of tank gauge tables as described in Exhibit A for each LNG tank of the LNG Tanker and of tank gauge tables revised as a result of any recalibration of an LNG tank of an LNG Tanker.

13.5 Gauging and Measuring LNG Volumes Loaded

Volumes of LNG delivered under this Agreement will be determined by gauging the LNG in the LNG tanks of the LNG Tanker immediately before and after loading in accordance with the terms of Exhibit A.

13.6 Samples for Quality Analysis

Representative samples of the delivered LNG shall be obtained by Seller as provided in Exhibit A.

13.7 Quality Analysis

The samples referred to in Section 13.6 shall be analyzed, or caused to be analyzed, by Seller in accordance with the terms of Exhibit A, in order to determine the molar fractions of the hydrocarbons and components in the sample.

13.8 Operating Procedures

- **13.8.1** Prior to carrying out measurements, gauging and analyses hereunder, the Party responsible for such operations shall notify the designated representative(s) of the other Party, allowing such representative(s) a reasonable opportunity to be present for all operations and computations; *provided, however*; that the absence of such representative(s) after notification and reasonable opportunity to attend shall not affect the validity of any operation or computation thereupon performed.
- **13.8.2** At the request of either Party, any measurements, gauging and/or analyses provided for in Sections 13.5, 13.6, 13.7 and 13.10.1 shall be witnessed and verified by an independent surveyor agreed upon in writing by Buyer and Seller. The results of verifications and records of measurement shall be maintained in accordance with the terms of Exhibit A.

13.9 MMBtu Quantity Delivered

The number of MMBtu sold and delivered shall be calculated at the Delivery Point by Seller and witnessed and verified by a mutually appointed independent surveyor agreed upon in writing by the Parties following the procedures set forth in Exhibit A.

13.10 Verification of Accuracy and Correction for Error

- **13.10.1** Each Party shall test and verify the accuracy of its devices at intervals to be agreed between the Parties. In the case of gauging devices of the LNG Tanker, such tests and verifications shall take place during each scheduled dry-docking, provided that the interval between such dry dockings shall not exceed five (5) years. Indications from any redundant determining devices should be reported to the Parties for verification purposes. Each Party shall have the right to inspect and if a Party reasonably questions the accuracy of any device, to require the testing or verification of the accuracy of such device in accordance with the terms of Exhibit A.
- **13.10.2** Permissible tolerances of the measurement, gauging and testing devices shall be as described in Exhibit A.

13.11 Costs and Expenses

- **13.11.1**Except as provided in this Section 13.11, all costs and expenses for testing and verifying measurement, gauging or testing devices shall be borne by the Party whose devices are being tested and verified; *provided, however,* that representatives of the Parties attending such tests and verifications shall do so at the cost and risk of the Party they represent.
- **13.11.2**In the event that a Party inspects or requests the testing/verification of any of the other Party's devices on an exceptional basis in each case as provided in Section 13.10.1, the Party requesting the testing/verification shall bear all costs thereof.
- **13.11.3**The costs of the independent surveyor:
 - (a) requested by a Party in accordance with Section 13.8.2 shall be borne by the requesting Party; and
 - (b) referred to in Section 13.9 shall be borne equally by Buyer and Seller.

14. Force

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14.1 Force Majeure

Neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for any delay or failure in performance under this Agreement if and to the extent such delay or failure is a result of Force Majeure. To the extent that the Party so affected fails to use commercially reasonable efforts to overcome or mitigate the effects of such events of Force Majeure, it shall not be excused for any delay or failure in performance that would have been avoided by using such commercially reasonable efforts. Subject to the provisions of this Section 14, the term **"Force Majeure"** shall mean any act, event or circumstance, whether of the kind described herein or otherwise, that is not reasonably within the control of, does not result from the fault or negligence of, and would not have been avoided or overcome by the exercise of reasonable diligence by, the Party claiming Force Majeure or an Affiliate of the Party claiming Force Majeure, such Party and, as applicable, its Affiliate having observed a standard of conduct that is consistent with a Reasonable and Prudent Operator, and that prevents or delays in whole or in part such Party's performance of one or more of its obligations under this Agreement.

- **14.1.1** Force Majeure may include circumstances of the following kind, provided that such circumstances satisfy the definition of Force Majeure set forth above:
 - (a) acts of God, the government, or a public enemy; strikes, lockout, or other industrial disturbances;
 - (b) wars, blockades or civil disturbances of any kind; epidemics, Adverse

Weather Conditions, fires, explosions, arrests and restraints of governments or people;

- (c) the breakdown or failure of, freezing of, breakage or accident to, or the necessity for making repairs or alterations to any facilities or equipment;
- (d) in respect of Seller: (i) loss of, accidental damage to, or inaccessibility to or inoperability of (x) the Sabine Pass Facility or any Connecting Pipeline or (y) the liquefaction and loading facilities at the alternate source agreed by the Parties pursuant to Section 3.1.2 but only with respect to those cargoes which Buyer has agreed may be supplied from such alternate source; and (ii) any event that would constitute an event of force majeure under (A) any agreement that is between Seller and SPLNG and is necessary for Seller to carry out certain obligations hereunder or (B) an agreement between Seller and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P., for Gas transportation services, *provided however*, that an event of force majeure affecting a party to any such agreement shall constitute Force Majeure under this Agreement only to the extent such event meets the definition of Force Majeure in this Section 14.1;
- (e) in respect of Buyer, events affecting the ability of any LNG Tanker to receive and transport LNG, subject to Section 14.2.3; and
- (f) the withdrawal, denial, or expiration of, or failure to obtain, any Approval.
- **14.1.2** Nothing in this Section 14.1 shall be construed to require a Party to observe a higher standard of conduct than that required of a Reasonable and Prudent Operator as a condition to claiming the existence of Force Majeure.

14.2 Limitations on Force Majeure

- **14.2.1** <u>Indemnity and Payment Obligations</u>. Notwithstanding Section 14.1, no Force Majeure shall relieve, suspend, or otherwise excuse either Party from performing any obligation to indemnify, reimburse, hold harmless or otherwise pay the other Party under this Agreement.
- 14.2.2 <u>Events Not Force Majeure</u>. The following events shall not constitute Force Majeure:
 - (a) a Party's inability to finance its obligations under this Agreement or the unavailability of funds to pay amounts when due in the currency of payment;



- (b) the unavailability of, or any event affecting, any facilities at or associated with any loading port or unloading port other than the Sabine Pass Facility or any alternate source agreed by the Parties pursuant to Section 3.1.2;
- (c) the ability of Seller or Buyer to obtain better economic terms for LNG or Gas from an alternative supplier or buyer, as applicable;
- (d) changes in either Party's market factors, default of payment obligations unless caused by Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer or other commercial, financial or economic conditions, including failure or loss of any of Buyer's or Seller's Gas or LNG markets;
- (e) breakdown or failure of plant or equipment caused by normal wear and tear or by a failure to properly maintain such plant or equipment unless caused by Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer;
- (f) in the case of either Party, any event arising from an action or omission of (i) any Affiliate of such Party, or (ii) the contractor or sub-contractor or agent of such Party or any Affiliate of such Party, in each case to the extent that, had such Party taken such action or experienced such event, such event would not constitute Force Majeure pursuant to the provisions of this Section 14;
- (g) in the case of Seller, any event arising from an action or omission of the operator of any part of the Sabine Pass Facility to the extent that, had Seller taken such action or experienced such event, such event would not constitute Force Majeure pursuant to the provisions of this Section 14; and
- (h) the loss of interruptible or secondary firm transportation service on a Connecting Pipeline or any pipeline upstream of a Connecting Pipeline unless (i) the cause of such loss was an event that would satisfy the definition of Force Majeure hereunder and primary in-the-path transportation service on such pipeline was also interrupted as a result of such event, or (ii) caused by Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer.
- **14.2.3** Force Majeure relief in respect of Buyer for an event described in Section 14.1.1(e) affecting a specific LNG Tanker shall only be available with respect to cargoes that are scheduled to be transported on such LNG Tanker in the applicable Ninety Day Schedule or ADP for such Contract Year, or (to the extent that the ADP for the following Contract Year has been issued by Seller) in the ADP for the following Contract Year.

14.3 Notification

A Force Majeure event shall take effect at the moment such an event or circumstance occurs. Upon the occurrence of a Force Majeure event that prevents, interferes with or delays the performance by Seller or Buyer, in whole or in part, of any of its obligations under this Agreement, the Party affected shall give notice thereof to the other Party describing such event and stating the obligations the performance of which are affected (either in the original or in supplemental notices) and stating, as applicable:

- **14.3.1** the estimated period during which performance may be prevented, interfered with or delayed, including, to the extent known or ascertainable, the estimated extent of such reduction in performance;
- 14.3.2 the particulars of the program to be implemented to resume normal performance under this Agreement; and
- **14.3.3** the anticipated portion of Buyer's AACQ for a Contract Year that will not be made available or taken, as the case may be, by reason of Force Majeure.

Such notices shall thereafter be updated at least monthly during the period of such claimed Force Majeure specifying the actions being taken to remedy the circumstances causing such Force Majeure.

14.4 Measures

Prior to resumption of normal performance, the Parties shall continue to perform their obligations under this Agreement to the extent not excused by such event of Force Majeure.

14.5 No Extension of Term

The Term shall not be extended as a result of or by the duration of an event of Force Majeure.

14.6 Settlement of Industrial Disturbances

Settlement of strikes, lockouts, or other industrial disturbances shall be entirely within the discretion of the Party experiencing such situations, and nothing in this Agreement shall require such Party to settle industrial disputes by yielding to demands made on it when it considers such action inadvisable.

14.7 Foundation Customer Priority

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Section 14, during any event of Force Majeure affecting Seller, Seller shall apportion the remaining capacity at the Sabine Pass Facility according to the Foundation Customer Priority.

"Foundation Customer Priority" means that Foundation Customers will receive priority for receiving LNG from the remaining available LNG production capacity, if any, at the Sabine Pass Facility in the following manner: all such remaining available LNG production capacity at the Sabine Pass Facility (and the LNG produced therefrom) will be allocated, to the extent practicable, to each Foundation Customer based upon the proportionate share of such Foundation Customer's adjusted annual contract quantities of all Foundation Customers, without regard to whether the underlying event affects the Designated Train or another liquefaction train, and without regard to whether the remaining available LNG production capacity includes the Designated Train.

15. Liabilities and Indemnification

15.1 General

Subject to Section 15.2, and without prejudice to any indemnity provided under this Agreement, Seller shall be liable to Buyer, and Buyer shall be liable to Seller, for any loss which has been suffered as a result of the breach by the Party liable of any one or more of its obligations under this Agreement, to the extent that the Party liable should reasonably have foreseen the loss.

15.2 Limitations on Liability

- **15.2.1** <u>Incidental and Consequential Losses</u>. Neither Party shall be liable to the other Party hereunder as a result of any act or omission in the course of or in connection with the performance of this Agreement, for or in respect of:
 - (a) any indirect, incidental, consequential or exemplary losses;
 - (b) any loss of income or profits;
 - (c) except as expressly provided in this Agreement, any failure of performance or delay in performance to the extent relieved by the application of Force Majeure in accordance with Section 14; or
 - (d) except as expressly provided in this Agreement, any losses arising from any claim, demand or action made or brought against the other Party by a Third Party.
- 15.2.2 Exclusive Remedies. A Party's sole liability, and the other Party's exclusive remedy, arising under or in connection with Sections 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 7.12.3, 7.12.4, 7.14.2(c), and 12.3 and this Section 15 shall be as set forth in each such provision, respectively.
- **15.2.3** <u>Liquidated Damages</u>. The Parties agree that it would be impracticable to determine accurately the extent of the loss, damage and expenditure that either Party would have in the circumstances described in Sections 5.2, 5.3,

5.4, 7.12.3 and 7.12.4. Accordingly, the Parties have estimated and agreed in advance that the sole liability, and exclusive remedy for such circumstances shall be as provided in those Sections, and neither Party shall have additional liability as a result of any such circumstances. Each amount described in or determined by the provisions of Sections 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 7.12.3 and 7.12.4 is intended to represent a genuine pre-estimate by the Parties as to the loss or damage likely to be suffered by the Party receiving the payment or benefit in each such circumstance. Each Party waives any right to claim or assert, in any arbitration or expert determination pursuant to Section 21 in any action with respect to this Agreement, that any of the exclusive remedies set forth in Sections 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 7.12.3 and 7.12.4 do not represent a genuine pre-estimate by the Parties as to the loss or damage likely to be suffered by the Party receiving the payment or benefit in each such circumstance or otherwise are not valid and enforceable damages.

- **15.2.4** Express Remedies. The Parties agree that Section 15.2.1 shall not impair a Party's obligation to pay the amounts specified in, or the validity of or limitations imposed by, Sections 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 7.12.3, 7.12.4, 7.14.2(c), and 12.3. Neither Party shall have a right to make a claim for actual damages (whether direct or indirect) or other non-specified damages under any circumstances for which an express remedy or measure of damages is provided in this Agreement.
- 15.2.5 <u>Remedies in Contract</u>. Except with respect to claims for injunctive relief under Sections 19 and 21.1.11, a Party's sole remedy against the other Party for nonperformance or breach of this Agreement or for any other claim of whatsoever nature arising out of or in relation to this Agreement shall be in contract and no Party shall be liable to another Party (or its Affiliates and contractors and their respective members, directors, officers, employees and agents) in respect of any damages or losses suffered or claims which arise out of, under or in any alleged breach of statutory duty or tortious act or omission or otherwise.
- **15.2.6** <u>Seller Aggregate Liability for Certain</u> <u>Events.</u>
 - (a) Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the maximum Seller Aggregate Liability as of any given date in respect of any occurrence or series of occurrences shall not exceed the Seller Liability Cap.
 - (b) "Seller Aggregate Liability" shall mean, as of any date of determination, any and all liability of Seller to Buyer under this Agreement, excluding (i) any Seller liabilities under this Agreement for which Seller has already made payment to Buyer as of such date, (ii) any liability caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Seller or an Affiliate of Seller, (iii) any amounts related to an

indemnity obligation of Seller, and (iv) any Cargo DoP Credit.

(c) The "Seller Liability Cap" shall be USD twenty-five million (USD 25,000,000).

15.2.7 EXCEPT FOR WARRANTIES OF TITLE AND NO LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES, AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE QUALITY OF LNG TO BE DELIVERED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, SELLER EXPRESSLY NEGATES ANY WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO LNG DELIVERED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, WRITTEN OR ORAL, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO CONFORMITY TO SAMPLES, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

15.3 Third Party Liability

With respect to Third Party liabilities:

- (a) If any Third Party shall notify either Party (the "Indemnified Party") with respect to any matter (a "Third Party Claim") that may give rise to a claim for indemnification against the other Party (the "Indemnifying Party") under this Section 15 or elsewhere in this Agreement, then the Indemnified Party shall promptly notify the Indemnifying Party thereof in writing; *provided, however*, that no delay on the part of the Indemnified Party in notifying the Indemnifying Party shall relieve the Indemnifying Party from any obligation hereunder unless (and then solely to the extent) the Indemnifying Party thereby is materially prejudiced.
- (b) The Indemnifying Party will have the right to defend against the Third Party Claim with counsel of its choice reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party so long as (i) the Indemnifying Party notifies the Indemnified Party in writing within fifteen (15) Days after the Indemnified Party has given notice of the Third Party Claim that the Indemnifying Party will indemnify the Indemnified Party from and against any damages the Indemnified Party may suffer resulting from, arising out of, relating to, in the nature of, or caused by the Third Party Claim; (ii) the Indemnifying Party provides the Indemnified Party with evidence reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party that the Indemnifying Party will have the financial resources to defend against the Third Party Claim and fulfill its indemnification obligations hereunder; (iii) the Third Party Claim involves only money damages and does not seek an injunction or other equitable relief; (iv) settlement of, or an adverse judgment with respect to, the

Third Party Claim is not in the good faith judgment of the Indemnified Party, likely to establish a precedential custom or practice materially adverse to the continuing business interests of the Indemnified Party; and (v) the Indemnifying Party conducts the defense of the Third Party Claim actively and diligently.

- (c) So long as the Indemnifying Party is conducting the defense of the Third Party Claim in accordance with Section 15.3(b): (i) the Indemnified Party may retain separate co-counsel at its sole cost and expense and participate in the defense of the Third Party Claim; (ii) the Indemnified Party will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to the Third Party Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld); and (iii) the Indemnifying Party Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to the Third Party Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld); and (iii) the Indemnifying Party Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld).
- (d) In the event any of the conditions in Section 15.3(b) is or becomes unsatisfied, or a conflict arises, with regard to the Third Party Claim, between the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party in respect of such Third Party Claim the Indemnified Party may defend against the Third Party Claim in any manner it reasonably may deem appropriate.
- (e) If either Party gives notice to the other Party of a Third Party Claim pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.3(a) and the notified Party does not give notice that it will indemnify the notifying Party in the manner set out in Section 15.3(b), the notifying Party shall nevertheless send copies of all pleadings and other documents filed in any such Third Party lawsuit to the notified Party and such notified Party may have the right to participate in the defense of the Third Party Claim in any manner permitted by Applicable Law.

15.4 Seller's Insurance

- **15.4.1** Seller shall obtain and maintain or cause to be obtained and maintained:
 - (a) insurance for the Sabine Pass Facility to the extent required by Applicable Law, and
 - (b) additional insurance, as is reasonably necessary and available on reasonable commercial terms, against such other risks and at such levels as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator of a shared use LNG receiving, regasification and liquefaction terminal would obtain.

15.4.2 Seller shall obtain or cause to be obtained the insurance required by Section 15.4.1 from a reputable insurer (or insurers) reasonably believed to have adequate financial reserves. Seller shall exercise its best efforts, or shall cause the applicable insured Person to use its best efforts, to collect any amount due under such insurance policies.

15.5 Buyer's Insurance

Buyer shall ensure that insurances are procured and maintained for each LNG Tanker in accordance with the following provisions. In all cases, such insurance shall establish insurance coverages consistent with insurances to the standards which a ship owner operating reputable LNG vessels, as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator, should observe in insuring LNG vessels of similar type, size, age and trade as such LNG Tanker. In this regard:

- (a) Hull and Machinery Insurance shall be placed and maintained with reputable marine underwriters; and
- (b) Protection & Indemnity Insurance ("**P&I Insurance**") shall be placed and maintained with full P&I indemnity cover in the ordinary course from a P&I Club, and such LNG Tanker shall be entered for insurance with a P&I Club, including pollution liability standard for LNG vessel and Certificate of Financial Responsibility.

16. Safety

16.1 General

The Parties recognize the importance of securing and maintaining safety in all matters contemplated in this Agreement, including the construction and operation of their respective facilities and the LNG Tankers and transportation of LNG. It is their respective intentions to secure and maintain high standards of safety in accordance with the generally accepted standards prevailing in the LNG and LNG transportation industries from time to time.

16.2 Third

Parties

Both Parties shall use reasonable efforts to ensure that their respective employees, agents, operators, Transporter, contractors and suppliers shall have due regard to safety and abide by the relevant regulations while they are performing work and services in connection with the performance of this Agreement, including such work and services performed within and around the area of the Sabine Pass Facility and on board the LNG Tankers.

17. Representations, Warranties and Undertakings

17.1 Representations and Warranties of Buyer

As of the Effective Date and until the expiration or termination of this Agreement, Buyer represents, undertakes and warrants that:

- 17.1.1 Buyer is and shall remain duly formed and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware;
- **17.1.2** Buyer has the requisite power, authority and legal right to execute and deliver, and to perform its obligations under, this Agreement;
- **17.1.3** Buyer has not incurred any liability to any financial advisor, broker or finder for any financial advisory, brokerage, finder's or similar fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement for which Seller or any of its Affiliates could be liable; and
- 17.1.4 neither the execution, delivery, nor performance of this Agreement violates or will violate, results or will result in a breach of or constitutes or will constitute a default under any provision of Buyer's organizational documents, any law, judgment, order, decree, rule, or regulation of any court, administrative agency, or other instrumentality of any Governmental Authority or of any other material agreement or instrument to which Buyer is a party.

17.2 Representations and Warranties of Seller

As of the Effective Date and until the expiration or termination of this Agreement, Seller represents, undertakes and warrants that:

- **17.2.1** Seller is and shall remain duly formed and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and duly qualified to do business in the State of Louisiana;
- **17.2.2** Seller has the requisite power, authority and legal right to execute and deliver, and to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- **17.2.3** Seller has not incurred any liability to any financial advisor, broker or finder for any financial advisory, brokerage, finder's or similar fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement for which Buyer or any of its Affiliates could be liable; and
- **17.2.4** neither the execution, delivery, nor performance of this Agreement, violates or will violate, results or will result in a breach of, or constitutes or will constitute a default under, any provision of Seller's organizational documents, any law, judgment, order, decree, rule, or regulation of any court,

administrative agency, or other instrumentality of any Governmental Authority or of any other material agreement or instrument to which Seller is a party.

17.3 Business Practices

Each Party represents and warrants to the other, as of the Effective Date, that it has not taken any actions that would, if such actions were undertaken after the Effective Date, conflict with such Party's obligations under Section 26.3.

17.4 Buyer's Credit Support

- **17.4.1** Subject to Section 7.14.2, unless Buyer has an Acceptable Credit Rating at such time, Buyer shall provide to Seller, not later than the twentieth (20th) Day of the Month that is two (2) Months prior to the Month of the Delivery Window for any cargo to be sold and delivered hereunder, an Acceptable Letter of Credit for an amount that is not less than the Scheduled Cargo Quantity for such cargo, *multiplied* by the CSP for such cargo, plus the amount of any then outstanding amounts owing to Seller under this Agreement for which Buyer has received an invoice from Seller; *provided, however*, that Buyer shall not be required to increase the amount of any Acceptable Letter of Credit unless this Section 17.4.1 would otherwise require increasing such amount by more than USD one million (USD 1,000,000). Buyer shall procure that such Acceptable Letter of Credit remains in place for the full face amount, until Buyer has fully paid for such cargo in accordance with Section 10.2.1.
- **17.4.2** At Buyer's option, Buyer shall have the right to satisfy its obligations pursuant to Section 17.4.1 for multiple cargoes by providing Seller with one or more Acceptable Letters of Credit for any amounts, the sum of which is not less than the sum of the required amounts specified in Section 17.4.1 for each such cargo.

18. Exchange of Information

The Parties shall maintain close communication and mutually provide and shall use reasonable efforts to exchange available information directly relevant to the fulfillment of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

19. Confidentiality

19.1 Duty of Confidentiality

The (i) terms of this Agreement and (ii) any information disclosed by either Party to the other Party in connection with this Agreement which is not:

(a) already known to the recipient from sources other than the other Party;



- (b) already in the public domain (other than as a result of a breach of the terms of this Section 19.1); or
- (c) independently developed by the recipient;

shall be "**Confidential Information**" and shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the disclosing Party, be kept confidential and shall not be used by the receiving Party other than for a purpose connected with this Agreement or, except as provided below, disclosed to Third Parties by the receiving Party.

19.2 Permitted Disclosures

- **19.2.1** The Confidential Information, which either Party receives from the other, may be disclosed by such Party:
 - (a) to any Person who is such Party's legal counsel, other professional consultant or adviser, Transporter, insurer, accountant or construction contractor; *provided* that such disclosure is solely to assist the purpose for which such Person was so engaged;
 - (b) if required and to the extent required by the rules of any recognized stock exchange or agency established in connection therewith upon which the securities of such Party or a company falling within Section 19.2.1(d) are quoted;
 - (c) if required and to the extent required by any Applicable Laws, or such Party becomes legally required (by oral questions, interrogatories, request for information or documents, orders issued by any Governmental Authority or any other process) to disclose such information; *provided that* such Party shall, to the extent practicable, give prior notice to the other Party of the requirement and the terms thereof and shall cooperate with the other Party to minimize the disclosure of the information, seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy, and if such protective order or other remedy is not obtained, then such Party will furnish only that portion of such information that it is legally required to furnish;
 - (d) to any of its Affiliates (or any company involved in the provision of advice to any such Affiliate for the purposes of this Agreement) and any employee of that Party or of a company to which disclosure is permitted pursuant to this Section 19.2.1(d);
 - (e) to any *bona fide* intended assignees of a Party's interests under this Agreement;
 - (f) to any Third Party as reasonably necessary for the performance of a Party's obligations under this Agreement;



- (g) to any arbitrator appointed in accordance with Section 21.1.4, or Expert appointed pursuant to Section 21.2.1; or
- (h) to any Person reasonably required to see such Confidential Information, including the Lenders, in connection with any *bona fide* financing or offering or sale of securities by Seller or Buyer or any Affiliate of Seller or Buyer, to comply with the disclosure or other requirements of Applicable Law or of financial institutions or other participants (including rating agencies) in such financing, offering or sale.
- **19.2.2** The Party making the disclosure shall ensure that any Person listed in Section 19.2.1(a), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (g) to which it makes the disclosure (excluding legal counsel) undertakes to hold such Confidential Information subject to confidentiality obligations equivalent to those set out in Section 19.1. In the case of a disclosure to an employee made in accordance with Section 19.2.1(c), the undertaking shall be given by the company on its own behalf and in respect of all its employees.
- **19.2.3** Seller may disclose Confidential Information to its Foundation Customers, or other buyers under any Third Party LNG SPA, related to scheduling, operations and other relevant technical information to comply with Seller's performance of Section 8, only to the extent necessary to ensure the effective implementation thereof.
- **19.2.4** No press release concerning the execution of this Agreement shall be issued unless agreed by the Parties.

19.3 Duration of Confidentiality

The foregoing obligations with regard to the Confidential Information shall remain in effect for three (3) years after this Agreement is terminated or expires.

20. Default and Termination

20.1 Termination Events

The following circumstances (each, a "**Termination Event**") shall give rise to the right for either or both of Seller and Buyer (as the case may be) to terminate this Agreement:

- **20.1.1** in respect of either Party, if a Bankruptcy Event has occurred with respect to the other Party;
- **20.1.2** in respect of either Party, if the other Party fails to pay or cause to be paid any amount or amounts in the aggregate due that are in excess of USD thirty million (US\$30,000,000), for a period of ten (10) Days or more following the due date of the relevant invoice;

- 20.1.3 in respect of either Party, violation of Sections 17.3 or 26.3.1(ii) by the other Party;
- **20.1.4** in respect of either Party, in accordance with Section 2.2.5 of the Agreement;
- 20.1.5 in respect of Buyer, if (a) Seller has declared Force Majeure one or more times and the interruptions resulting from such Force Majeure total twenty-four (24) Months during any thirty-six (36) Month period, and (b) such Force Majeure has resulted in Seller being prevented from making available fifty percent (50%) or more of the annualized ACQ during such periods of Force Majeure;
- 20.1.6 in respect of Seller, if (a) Buyer has declared Force Majeure one or more times and the interruptions resulting from such Force Majeure total twenty-four (24) Months during any thirty-six (36) Month period, and (b) such Force Majeure has resulted in Buyer being prevented from taking fifty percent (50%) or more of the annualized ACQ during such periods of Force Majeure;
- **20.1.7** in respect of Buyer, pursuant to the terms of Section 4.3.2;
- **20.1.8** in respect of Seller, violation of Section 26.1 by Buyer;
- **20.1.9** in respect of Seller, violation of Section 26.2 by Buyer;
- **20.1.10** in respect of Buyer, if Seller fails to make available (as such obligation for any cargo is set forth in Section 5.3.1) fifty percent (50%) of the cargoes scheduled in any given twelve (12) Month period;
- **20.1.11**in respect of Seller, if Buyer fails to take (as such obligation for any cargo is set forth in Section 5.2.1) fifty percent (50%) of the cargoes scheduled in any given twelve (12) Month period; and
- **20.1.12** in respect of Seller, if Buyer fails to execute any Direct Agreement with Seller's Lenders within sixty (60) Days after Seller's request thereof, provided that such Direct Agreement complies with the requirements of Section 22.4.2.

20.2 Termination

20.2.1 Notice of Termination. Upon the occurrence of any Termination Event, subject to Section 20.2.5, the Party which has the right under Section 20.1 to terminate this Agreement ("Terminating Party") may give notice thereof to the other Party, specifying in reasonable detail the nature of such Termination Event (except that any termination notice with respect to a Termination Event identified in Section 20.1.10 or 20.1.11 shall only be valid if notice thereof is provided within ninety (90) Days after such Termination Event first arose).

- **20.2.2** <u>Timing</u>. Except with respect to the Termination Events described in Section 20.2.3, at any time after the expiry of a period of forty-five (45) Days after the Terminating Party gave notice of a Termination Event pursuant to Section 20.2.1, unless the circumstances constituting the Termination Event have been fully remedied or have ceased to apply, the Terminating Party may terminate this Agreement with immediate effect by giving notice of such termination to the other Party.
- **20.2.3** <u>Certain Events</u>. Upon the occurrence of a Termination Event described in Sections 20.1.1, 20.1.3, 20.1.5, 20.1.6, 20.1.8, 20.1.9, 20.1.10, and 20.1.11 the Terminating Party's notice pursuant to Section 20.2.1 shall terminate this Agreement immediately.
- **20.2.4** <u>Rights Accrued Prior to Termination</u>. Termination of this Agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights and liabilities of the Parties accrued prior to or as a result of such termination or claims for breaches of Section 19 that occur during the three (3) year period after termination of this Agreement.
- **20.2.5** <u>Limits to Termination</u>. Neither Seller nor Buyer, respectively, may terminate this Agreement if the Termination Event occurs solely because of a breach by the non-terminating Party arising from events for which that non-terminating Party would otherwise be entitled to terminate this Agreement.

20.3 Survival

The following provisions shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement: Sections 1, 10, 11, 13.8.2, 15, 19 (to the extent provided therein), and 21 to 26, in addition to this Section 20.3.

21. Dispute Resolution and Governing Law

21.1 Dispute Resolution

- **21.1.1** <u>Arbitration</u>. Any Dispute (other than a Dispute submitted to an Expert under Section 21.2.1) shall be exclusively and definitively resolved through final and binding arbitration, it being the intention of the Parties that this is a broad form arbitration agreement designed to encompass all possible claims and disputes under this Agreement.
- **21.1.2** <u>Rules</u>. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the International Arbitration Rules (the "**Rules**") of the American Arbitration Association ("**AAA**") (as then in effect).

- **21.1.3** <u>Number of Arbitrators</u>. The arbitral tribunal shall consist of three (3) arbitrators, who shall endeavor to complete the final hearing in the arbitration within six (6) Months after the appointment of the last arbitrator.
- 21.1.4 Method of Appointment of the Arbitrators. If there are only two (2) parties to the Dispute, then each party to the Dispute shall appoint one (1) arbitrator within thirty (30) Days of the filing of the arbitration, and the two arbitrators so appointed shall select the presiding arbitrator within thirty (30) Days after the latter of the two arbitrators has been appointed by the parties to the Dispute. If a party to the Dispute fails to appoint its party-appointed arbitrator or if the two party-appointed arbitrators cannot reach an agreement on the presiding arbitrator within the applicable time period, then the AAA shall serve as the appointing authority and shall appoint the remainder of the three arbitrators not yet appointed. If the arbitration is to be conducted by three arbitrators and there are more than two parties to the Dispute, then within thirty (30) Days of the filing of the arbitration, all claimants shall jointly appoint one arbitrator and all respondents shall jointly appoint one arbitrator, and the two arbitrators so appointed shall select the presiding arbitrator within thirty (30) Days after the latter of the two arbitrators has been appointed by the parties to the Dispute. For the purposes of appointing arbitrators under this Section 21, (a) Buyer and all persons whose interest in this Agreement derives from them shall be considered as one party; and (b) Seller and all persons whose interest in this Agreement derives from Seller shall be considered as one party. If either all claimants or all respondents fail to make a joint appointment of an arbitrator, or if the party-appointed arbitrators cannot reach an agreement on the presiding arbitrator within the applicable time period, then the AAA shall serve as the appointing authority and shall appoint the remainder of the three (3) arbitrators not yet appointed.
- **21.1.5** <u>Consolidation</u>. If the Parties initiate multiple arbitration proceedings under this Agreement the subject matters of which are related by common questions of law or fact and which could result in conflicting awards or obligations, then either Party may request prior to the appointment of the arbitrators for such multiple or subsequent Disputes that all such proceedings be consolidated into a single arbitral proceeding. Such request shall be directed to the AAA, which shall consolidate appropriate proceedings into a single proceeding unless consolidation would result in undue delay for the arbitration of the Disputes.
- **21.1.6** <u>Place of Arbitration</u>. Unless otherwise agreed by all parties to the Dispute, the place of arbitration shall be Houston, Texas.
- **21.1.7** <u>Language</u>. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in the English language, and the arbitrators shall be fluent in the English language.

- **21.1.8** Entry of Judgment. The award of the arbitral tribunal shall be final and binding. Judgment on the award of the arbitral tribunal may be entered and enforced by any court of competent jurisdiction. The Parties agree that service of process for any action to enforce an award may be accomplished according to the procedures of Section 25, as well as any other procedure authorized by law.
- **21.1.9** <u>Notice</u>. All notices required for any arbitration proceeding shall be deemed properly given if given in accordance with Section 25.
- **21.1.10**<u>Qualifications and Conduct of the Arbitrators</u>. All arbitrators shall be and remain at all times wholly impartial, and, once appointed, no arbitrator shall have any ex parte communications with any of the parties to the Dispute concerning the arbitration or the underlying Dispute other than communications directly concerning the selection of the presiding arbitrator, where applicable.
- **21.1.11**<u>Interim Measures</u>. Any party to the Dispute may apply to a court in Harris County, Texas for interim measures (a) prior to the constitution of the arbitral tribunal (and thereafter as necessary to enforce the arbitral tribunal's rulings); or (b) in the absence of the jurisdiction of the arbitral tribunal to rule on interim measures in a given jurisdiction. The Parties agree that seeking and obtaining such interim measures shall not waive the right to arbitrators is unable to be involved in a timely fashion) may grant interim measures including injunctions, attachments and conservation orders in appropriate circumstances, which measures may be immediately enforced by court order. Hearings on requests for interim measures may be held in person, by telephone, by video conference or by other means that permit the parties to the Dispute to present evidence and arguments.
- 21.1.12Costs and Attorneys' Fees. The arbitral tribunal is authorized to award costs of the arbitration in its award, including: (a) the fees and expenses of the arbitrators; (b) the costs of assistance required by the tribunal, including its Experts; (c) the fees and expenses of the administrator; (d) the reasonable costs for legal representation of a successful Party; and (e) any such costs incurred in connection with an application for interim or emergency relief and to allocate those costs between the parties to the Dispute. The costs of the arbitration proceedings, including attorneys' fees, shall be borne in the manner determined by the arbitral tribunal.
- 21.1.13<u>Interest</u>. The award shall include pre-award and post-award interest, as determined by the arbitral award, from the date of any default or other breach of this Agreement until the arbitral award is paid in full. Interest shall accrue at a rate per annum equal to two percent (2%) above LIBOR (as in effect on



the Day such award was issued) on and from the Day when such award was issued until the date of its repayment, provided that, without prejudice to the other terms of this Agreement, if such period lasts longer than ninety (90) Days, the applicable LIBOR rate for each successive term of ninety (90) Days during that period shall be that in effect on the first Day of that ninety (90) Day period. Interest shall accrue from Day to Day and be calculated on the basis of a three hundred sixty (360) Day year.

- 21.1.14Currency of Award. The arbitral award shall be made and payable in USD, free of any tax or other deduction.
- 21.1.15<u>Waiver of Challenge to Decision or Award</u>. To the extent permitted by law, the Parties hereby waive any right to appeal from or challenge any arbitral decision or award, or to oppose enforcement of any such decision or award before a court or any governmental authority, except with respect to the limited grounds for modification or non-enforcement provided by any applicable arbitration statute or treaty.
- **21.1.16**<u>Confidentiality</u>. Any arbitration or expert determination relating to a Dispute (including a settlement resulting from an arbitral award, documents exchanged or produced during an arbitration proceeding, and memorials, briefs or other documents prepared for the arbitration) shall be confidential and may not be disclosed by the Parties, their employees, officers, directors, counsel, consultants, and expert witnesses, except (in accordance with Section 19) to the extent necessary to enforce this Section 21.1.16 or any arbitration award, to enforce other rights of a party to the Dispute, or as required by law; provided, however, that breach of this confidentiality provision shall not void any settlement, expert determination or award.

21.2 Expert Determination

21.2.1 <u>GGeneral</u>. In the event of any disagreement between the Parties regarding a measurement under Exhibit A hereto, the applicable published market price for purposes of Section 5.3.2 or any other Dispute which the Parties agree to submit to an Expert (in either case, a "**Measurement Dispute**"), the Parties hereby agree that such Measurement Dispute shall be resolved by an Expert selected as provided in this Section 21.2.1. The Expert is not an arbitrator of the Measurement Dispute and shall not be deemed to be acting in an arbitral capacity. The Party desiring an expert determination shall give the other Party to the Measurement Dispute notice of the request for such determination. If the Parties to the Measurement Dispute are unable to agree upon an Expert within ten (10) Days after receipt of the notice of request for an expert determination, then, upon the request of any of the Parties to the Measurement Dispute, the International Centre for Expertise of the International Chamber of Commerce ("**ICC**") shall appoint such Expert and shall administer such expert determination through the ICC's Rules for

Expertise. The Expert shall be and remain at all times wholly impartial, and, once appointed, the Expert shall have no ex parte communications with any of the Parties to the Measurement Dispute concerning the expert determination or the underlying Measurement Dispute. The Parties to the Measurement Dispute shall cooperate fully in the expeditious conduct of such expert determination and provide the Expert with access to all facilities, books, records, documents, information and personnel necessary to make a fully informed decision in an expeditious manner. Before issuing a final decision, the Expert shall issue a draft report and allow the Parties to the Measurement Dispute to comment on it. The Expert shall endeavor to resolve the Measurement Dispute within thirty (30) Days (but no later than sixty (60) Days) after his appointment, taking into account the circumstances requiring an expeditious resolution of the matter in dispute.

- **21.2.2** <u>Final and Binding</u>. The Expert's decision shall be final and binding on the Parties to the Measurement Dispute unless challenged in an arbitration pursuant to Section 21.1 within thirty (30) Days of the date the Expert's decision. If challenged, (a) the decision shall remain binding and be implemented unless and until finally replaced by an award of the arbitrators; (b) the decision shall be entitled to a rebuttable presumption of correctness; and (c) the Expert shall not be appointed in the arbitration as an arbitrator or as advisor to either Party without the written consent of both Parties.</u>
- **21.2.3** <u>Arbitration of Expert Determination</u>. In the event that a Party requests expert determination for a Measurement Dispute which raises issues that require determination of other matters in addition to correct measurement under Exhibit A hereto, then either Party may elect to refer the entire Measurement Dispute for arbitration under Section 21.1.1. In such case, the arbitrators shall be competent to make any measurement determination that is part of a Dispute. An expert determination not referred to arbitration shall proceed and shall not be stayed during the pendency of an arbitration.

21.3 Governing

Law

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York (United States of America) without regard to principles of conflict of laws that would specify the use of other laws.

21.4 Immunity

21.4.1 Each Party, as to itself and its assets, hereby irrevocably, unconditionally, knowingly and intentionally waives any right of immunity (sovereign or otherwise) and agrees not to claim, or assert any immunity with respect to the matters covered by this Agreement in any arbitration, Expert proceeding, or other action with respect to this Agreement, whether arising by statute or otherwise, that it may have or may subsequently acquire, including rights

under the doctrines of sovereign immunity and act of state, immunity from legal process (including service of process or notice, pre-judgment or pre-award attachment, attachment in aid of execution, or otherwise), immunity from jurisdiction or judgment of any court, arbitrator, Expert or tribunal (including any objection or claim on the basis of inconvenient forum), and immunity from enforcement or execution of any award or judgment or any other remedy.

- **21.4.2** Each Party irrevocably, unconditionally, knowingly and intentionally:
 - (a) agrees that the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement constitute private and commercial acts rather than public or governmental acts;
 - (b) consents in respect of the enforcement of any judgment against it in any such proceedings in any jurisdiction and to the giving of any relief or the issue of any process in connection with such proceedings (including the making, enforcement or execution of any such judgment or any order arising out of any such judgment against or in respect of any property whatsoever irrespective of its use or intended use).

22. Assignments

22.1 Merger, Consolidation, Acquisition

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any successor to each of Seller and Buyer by merger, consolidation or acquisition.

22.2 Assignment by Buyer

- **22.2.1** <u>Prior Written Consent</u>. Buyer may novate or assign this Agreement in its entirety, for the remainder of the Term, upon the prior written consent of Seller (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), provided that such assignee assumes all of the obligations of Buyer under this Agreement commencing as of the date of the assignment by execution of a copy of this Agreement in its own name (countersigned by Seller) or by execution of a binding assignment and assumption agreement which is enforceable by Seller.
- 22.2.2 <u>Without Prior Consent</u>. Buyer may novate or assign this Agreement in its entirety, for the remainder of the Term, without Seller's prior consent, to an Affiliate of Buyer, provided that:
 - (a) such Affiliate assignee assumes all of the obligations of Buyer under this Agreement commencing as of the date of the assignment by execution of a copy of this Agreement in its own name (countersigned

by Seller) or by execution of a binding assignment and assumption agreement which is enforceable by Seller; and

- (b) performance of this Agreement by Seller with such Affiliate assignee would comply with Applicable Laws and all relevant Approvals.
- **22.2.3** <u>Further Obligations</u>. Upon an assignment in whole by Buyer in accordance with this Section 22.2, Buyer shall be released from all further obligation, duty or liability under this Agreement, other than any obligation, duty, or liability arising prior to the date of effectiveness of such assignment and the applicable assignee shall be "Buyer" hereunder for all purposes.

22.3 Assignments by Seller

- **22.3.1** Prior Written Consent. Seller may novate or assign this Agreement in its entirety, for the remainder of the Term, upon the prior written consent of Buyer (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), *provided* that the assignee assumes all of the obligations of Seller under this Agreement commencing as of the date of the assignment by execution of a copy of this Agreement in its own name (countersigned by Buyer) or by execution of a binding assignment and assumption agreement which is enforceable by Buyer; *provided, however*; that if the assignee is an Affiliate of Seller, will be the sole owner of the Sabine Liquefaction Facility and will have all Approvals and export authorizations equivalent to the Export Authorizations to the extent needed to perform Seller's obligations under this Agreement, Buyer shall be deemed to consent to such assignment of this Agreement.
- **22.3.2** <u>Pursuant to Direct Agreement</u>. At any time that an event of default has occurred and is continuing under any loan agreements to which Seller is a party, Seller may novate or assign this Agreement in its entirety, for the remainder of the Term, to the extent that Buyer has so consented in the Direct Agreement.
- 22.3.3 <u>Further Obligations</u>. Upon an assignment by Seller, in accordance with this Section 22.3, Seller shall be released to the extent of such assignment from all further obligation, duty or liability under this Agreement other than any obligation, duty or liability arising prior to the date of effectiveness of such assignment and the applicable assignee shall be "Seller" hereunder for all purposes.

22.4 Seller

Financing

22.4.1 Lender Financing. Seller shall have the right to obtain financing from Lenders. In connection with any financing or refinancing of the Sabine Liquefaction Facility, Buyer, shall, if so requested by Seller, deliver to Seller's

Lenders or the agent acting on behalf of any such Lenders ("Lenders' Agent") certified copies of its corporate charter and by-laws, resolutions, incumbency certificates, financial statements, and such other items as available and upon reasonable request by Lenders or Lenders' Agent.

- 22.4.2 <u>Assignment as Security</u>. Buyer further acknowledges and agrees that Seller may assign, transfer, or otherwise encumber, all or any of its rights, benefits and obligations under this Agreement to such Lenders or Lenders' Agent as security for its obligations to Lenders. Accordingly, upon Seller's request pursuant to a notice hereunder, Buyer shall enter into a direct agreement (each, a "Direct Agreement") that:
 - (a) provides for the assignment and transfer of the assigning Person's rights and obligations under this Agreement or the relevant other agreement to a nominee of Lender following a default by the assigning Person under its lending arrangement; and
 - (b) includes such undertakings, as requested by Lenders, that are normal and customary in project financings or refinancings of this type and are consistent with those direct agreements that have been agreed on or before the Effective Date by Seller with Foundation Customers; *provided, however*, that Buyer shall not be required to provide (or cause to be provided) any guaranty or similar commitment in favor of the Lenders, Seller or any other Person.

23. Contract

Language

This Agreement, together with the Schedules and the Exhibits hereto, shall be made and originals executed in the English language. In case of any difference in meaning between the English language original version and any translation thereof, the English language original version shall be applicable.

24. Miscellaneous

24.1 Disclaimer of Agency

This Agreement does not appoint either Party as the agent, partner or legal representative of the other for any purposes whatsoever, and neither Party shall have any express or implied right or authority to assume or to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of or in the name of the other Party.

24.2 Entire

Agreement

This Agreement, together with the Schedules and Exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and includes all promises and representations, express or implied, and supersedes all other prior agreements and representations, written or oral, between the Parties relating to the subject matter. Anything that is not contained or expressly incorporated by reference in this instrument, is not part of this Agreement.

24.3 Third Party Beneficiaries

The Parties do not intend any term of this Agreement to be for the benefit of, or enforceable by, any Third Party except as expressly provided in Section 7.7. The Parties may rescind or vary this Agreement, in whole or in part, without the consent of any Third Party, including those Third Parties referred to under Section 7.7, even if as a result such Third Party's rights to enforce a term of this Agreement will be varied or extinguished.

24.4 Amendments and Waiver

This Agreement may not be supplemented, amended, modified or changed except by an instrument in writing signed by Seller and Buyer and expressed to be a supplement, amendment, modification or change to this Agreement. A Party shall not be deemed to have waived any right or remedy under this Agreement by reason of such Party's failure to enforce such right or remedy.

24.5 Exclusion

The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (and the Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods) shall not apply to this Agreement and the respective rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder.

25. Notices

25.1 Form of Notice

- **25.1.1** Except as expressly set forth herein, any notice, invoice or other communication from one of the Parties to the other Party (or, where contemplated in this Agreement, from or to the Transporter or the master of the LNG Tanker), which is required or permitted to be made by the provisions of this Agreement shall be:
 - (a) made in the English language;
 - (b) made in writing;
 - (c) (i) delivered by hand or sent by courier to the address of the other Party which is shown below or to such other address as the other Party shall by notice require or; (ii) be sent by facsimile to the facsimile number of the other Party which is shown below or to such other facsimile number as the other Party shall by notice require or; (iii) with respect to any notice, invoice or other

communication to be sent pursuant to Sections 7, 8 or 12 (or others as may be agreed by the Parties), be sent by electronic mail to the e-mail address of the other Party which is show below or to such other e-mail address as the other Party shall by notice require; and

- (d) marked for the attention of the Person(s) there referred to or to such other Person(s) as the other Party shall by notice require.
- **25.1.2** The addresses of the Parties for service of notices are as follows:

Seller: Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC 700 Milam Street Suite 800 Houston, TX 77002 Telephone: (713) 375-5121 Fax: (713) 375-6121 E-mail: Customer.Coordination@Cheniere.com

Attention: Commercial Operations

Buyer: Cheniere Marketing, LLC 700 Milam Street Suite 800 Houston, TX 77002 Telephone: (713) 375-5000 Fax: (713) 375-6160 E-mail: LNGTrading@cheniere.com

Attention: Contract Administration

25.2 Effective Time of Notice

- **25.2.1** Any notice, invoice or other communication made by one Party to the other Party in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section 25 shall be deemed to be received by the other Party if delivered by hand or by courier, on the Day on which it is received at that Party's address or, if sent by facsimile, on the next Day on which the office of the receiving Party is normally open for business following the Day on which it is received in a legible form at the address to which it is properly addressed. The foregoing shall not apply to notices or communications sent by facsimile or e-mail under Sections 7.9.2, 7.9.3, and 7.10, which shall be deemed effective at the time transmitted to the facsimile number shown above or such other number or electronic mail address previously notified by the receiving Party.
- **25.2.2** Without limiting the meaning of the word "received" for the purpose of the

preceding paragraph, a notice which is delivered by hand or by courier shall be deemed to have been received at a Party's address if it is placed in any receptacle normally used for the delivery of post to the address of that Party.

25.2.3 Any notice given by facsimile or electronic mail shall be subsequently confirmed by letter, unless otherwise agreed, but without prejudice to the validity of the original notice.

26. Business

Practices

26.1 Trade Law Compliance.

26.1.1 <u>Non-FTA</u> <u>Countries</u>

- (a) In respect of LNG quantities purchased hereunder for export pursuant to DOE/FE Order No. 2961, issued May 20th, 2011 in FE Docket No. 10-111-LNG, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it will resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery only to countries identified in Ordering Paragraph D of DOE/FE Order No. 2961, issued May 20th, 2011 in FE Docket No. 10-111-LNG and/or to purchasers that have agreed in writing to limit their direct or indirect resale or transfer of such LNG to such countries. Buyer further commits to cause a report to be provided to Seller that identifies the country of destination, upon delivery, into which the exported LNG was actually delivered during each prior Month, and to include in any resale contract for such LNG the necessary conditions to insure that Seller is made aware of all such actual destination countries.
- (b) In respect of LNG quantities purchased hereunder for export pursuant to an authorization sought pursuant to Section 2.1.1, which authorization supplements, amends, modifies, changes, supersedes or replaces DOE/FE Order No. 2961, issued May 20th, 2011 in FE Docket No. 10-111-LNG, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it will resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery only to countries identified in such authorization and/or to purchasers that have agreed in writing to limit their direct or indirect resale or transfer of such LNG to such countries, and only in accordance with the other conditions in such authorization.
- (c) Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it will resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery to the countries identified only in the Non-FTA Export Authorization or, to the extent applicable, any similar export authorization sought and obtained by Seller or Buyer pursuant to Section 2.1.1, in such quantities that do not exceed, on a cumulative annual basis, a quantity equal to (i) the sum of the annual quantities of LNG that may be exported pursuant to the Non-FTA

Export Authorization or, to the extent applicable, a similar export authorization sought and obtained by Seller or Buyer pursuant to Section 2.1.1, minus (ii) the sum of the annual contract quantities of the Foundation Customers for the first four Trains, each such annual contract quantity as in effect on the date of FID for the applicable Foundation Customer's designated LNG production train.

26.1.2 <u>FTA</u>

Countries

- (a) If Buyer resells or transfers LNG purchased hereunder to countries identified in Ordering Paragraph B of DOE/FE Order No. 2833, issued September 7th, 2010 in FE Docket No. 10-85-LNG, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it may resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery only to the countries identified in Ordering Paragraph B of such Order and/or to purchasers that have agreed in writing to limit their direct or indirect resale or transfer of such LNG to such countries.
- (b) In respect of LNG quantities purchased hereunder for export pursuant to an authorization sought pursuant to Section 2.1.1, which authorization supplements, amends, modifies, changes, supersedes or replaces DOE/FE Order No. 2833, issued September 7th, 2010 in FE Docket No. 10-85-LNG, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it will resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery only to countries identified in such authorization and/or to purchasers that have agreed in writing to limit their direct or indirect resale or transfer of such LNG to such countries, and only in accordance with the other conditions in such authorization.
- (c) Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it will resell or transfer LNG purchased hereunder for delivery to the countries identified in the FTA Export Authorization or, to the extent applicable, any similar export authorization sought and obtained by Seller or Buyer pursuant to Section 2.1.1, in such quantities that do not exceed, on a cumulative annual basis, a quantity equal to (i) the sum of the annual quantities of LNG that may be exported pursuant to the FTA Export Authorization or, to the extent applicable, any similar export authorization sought and obtained by Seller or Buyer pursuant to Section 2.1.1, minus (ii) the sum of the annual contract quantities of the Foundation Customers for the first four Trains, each such annual contract quantity as in effect on the date of FID for the applicable Foundation Customer's designated LNG production train.

26.1.3 General

Buyer represents and warrants that the final delivery of LNG received

pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are permitted and lawful under United States of America laws and policies, including the rules, regulations, orders, policies, and other determinations of the United States Department of Energy, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Buyer shall not take any action which would cause any Export Authorization to be withdrawn, revoked or not renewed. Buyer shall promptly provide to Seller all information required by Seller and SPLNG to comply with the Orders described in this Section 26.1 and shall provide the delivery destination report (as described in this Section 26.1) for all LNG sold hereunder to Seller and SPLNG not later than the fifteenth (15th) Day of the Month following the Month in which any relevant LNG is delivery destination report for each LNG shall contain any other information required by the Export Authorization.

26.2 Use of LNG

At all times during the Term, Buyer shall, with respect to all LNG delivered by Seller to Buyer pursuant to this Agreement: (a) utilize such LNG as a refined product or chemical feedstock; (b) use or consume such LNG to produce power for sale to customers; (c) market such LNG to distributors or wholesalers for resale to their own customers; or (d) resell such LNG to other Persons provided that the transfer by Buyer to a Transporter of gas that boils off from a cargo in transit from the Delivery Point shall be considered to be a sale.

26.3 Prohibited Practices

- 26.3.1 Each Party agrees that in connection with this Agreement and the activities contemplated herein, it will take no action, or omit to take any action, which would (i) violate any Applicable Law applicable to that Party, or (ii) cause the other Party to be in violation of any Applicable Law applicable to such other Party, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the OECD convention on anti-bribery, the U.K. Bribery Act of 2010, E.U. and E.U. member country anti-bribery and corruption laws, and corruption or any similar statute, regulation, order or convention binding on such other Party, as each may be amended from time to time, and including any implementing regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
- **26.3.2** Without limiting Section 26.3.1, each Party agrees on behalf of itself, its directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and Affiliates, not to pay any fees, commissions or rebates to any employee, officer or agent of the other Party or its Affiliates or shareholders nor provide or cause to be provided to any of them any gifts or entertainment of significant cost or value in connection with this Agreement or in order to influence or induce

any actions or inactions in connection with the commercial activities of the Parties hereunder.

26.4 Records; Audit

Each Party shall keep all records necessary to confirm compliance with Sections 26.1, 26.2, 26.3.1(ii), and 26.3.2 for a period of five (5) years following the year for which such records apply. If either Party asserts that the other Party is not in compliance with Sections 26.1, 26.2, 26.3.1(ii), or 26.3.2, the Party asserting noncompliance shall send a notice to the other Party indicating the type of noncompliance asserted. After giving such notice, the Party asserting noncompliance may cause an Independent Auditor to audit the records of the other Party in respect of the asserted noncompliance. The costs of any Independent Auditor under this Section 26.4 shall be paid (i) by the Party being audited, if such Party is determined not to be in compliance with Sections 26.1, 26.2, 26.3.1(ii) or 26.3.2, as applicable, and (ii) by the Party requesting the audit, if the Party being audited is determined to be in compliance with Sections 26.1, 26.2, 26.3.1(ii), or 26.3.2, as applicable, and (ii) or 26.3.2, as applicable.

26.5 Indemnity

Each Party agrees to indemnify and hold the other Party harmless from any Losses arising out of the indemnifying Party's breach of any or all of Section 26.1, Section 26.3, or Section 26.4 or the breach of the representation and warranty in Section 17.3

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

SELLER:		BUYER:	BUYER:				
SABINE	PASS LIQUEFACTION, LLC	CHENIEI	RE MARKETING, LLC				
By:	/s/ R. Keith Teague	By:	/s/ H. Davis Thames				
Name:	R. Keith Teague	Name:	H. Davis Thames				
Title:	President	Title:	President				

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EXHIBIT A

MEASUREMENT

1. Parties to Supply Devices

a) General. Unless otherwise agreed, Buyer and Seller shall supply equipment and conform to procedures that are in accordance with the latest version of the standards referred to in this document.

b) Buyer Devices. Buyer or Buyer's agent shall supply, operate and maintain, or cause to be supplied, operated and maintained, suitable gauging devices for the liquid level in LNG tanks of the LNG Tankers, pressure and temperature measuring devices, and any other measurement or testing devices which are incorporated in the structure of LNG vessels or customarily maintained on board ship.

c) Seller Devices. Seller shall supply, operate and maintain, or cause to be supplied, operated and maintained, devices required for collecting samples and for determining quality and composition of the LNG and any other measurement or testing devices which are necessary to perform the measurement and testing required hereunder at the Sabine Pass Facility.

d) Dispute. Any Dispute arising under this Exhibit A shall be submitted to an Expert under Section 21.2 of this Agreement.

2. Selection of Devices

All devices provided for in this Exhibit A shall be approved by Seller, acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator. The required degree of accuracy (which shall in any case be within the permissible tolerances defined herein and in the applicable standards referenced herein) of such devices selected shall be mutually agreed upon by Buyer and Seller. In advance of the use of any device, the Party providing such device shall cause tests to be carried out to verify that such device has the required degree of accuracy.

3. Verification of Accuracy and Correction for Error

a) Accuracy. Accuracy of devices used shall be tested and verified at the request of either Party, including the request by a Party to verify accuracy of its own devices. Each Party shall have the right to inspect at any time the measurement devices installed by the other Party, provided that the other Party is notified in advance. Testing shall be performed only when both Parties are represented, or have received adequate advance notice thereof, using methods recommended by the manufacturer or any other method agreed to by Seller and Buyer. At the request of any Party hereto, any test shall be witnessed and verified by an independent surveyor mutually agreed upon by Buyer and Seller. Permissible tolerances shall be as defined herein or as defined in the applicable standards referenced herein.

b) Inaccuracy. Inaccuracy of a device exceeding the permissible tolerances shall require correction of previous recordings, and computations made on the basis of those recordings, to zero error with respect to any period which is definitely known or agreed upon by the Parties as well as adjustment of the device. All invoices issued during such period shall be amended accordingly to reflect such correction, and an adjustment in payment shall be made between Buyer and Seller. If the period of error is neither known nor agreed upon, and there is no evidence as to the duration of such period of error, corrections shall be made and invoices amended for each delivery of LNG made during the last half of the period since the date of the most recent calibration of the inaccurate device. However, the provisions of this Paragraph 3 shall not be applied to require the modification of any invoice that has become final pursuant to Section 10.3.2 of this Agreement.

c) Costs and Expenses of Test Verification. All costs and expenses for testing and verifying Seller's measurement devices shall be borne by Seller, and all costs and expenses for testing and verifying Buyer's measurement devices shall be borne by Buyer. The fees and charges of independent surveyors for measurements and calculations shall be borne by the Parties in accordance with Section 13.11.3 of this Agreement.

4. Tank Gauge Tables of LNG Tankers

a) Initial Calibration. Buyer shall arrange or caused to be arranged, for each tank of each LNG Tanker, a calibration of volume against tank level. Buyer shall provide Seller or its designee, or cause Seller or its designee to be provided, with a certified copy of tank gauge tables for each tank of each LNG Tanker verified by a competent impartial authority or authorities mutually agreed upon by the Parties. Such tables shall include correction tables for list, trim, tank contraction and any other items requiring such tables for accuracy of gauging.

Tank gauge tables prepared pursuant to the above shall indicate volumes in cubic meters expressed to the nearest thousandth (1/1000), with LNG tank depths expressed in meters to the nearest hundredth (1/100).

b) Presence of Representatives. Seller and Buyer shall each have the right to have representatives present at the time each LNG tank on each LNG Tanker is volumetrically calibrated.

c) Recalibration. If the LNG tanks of any LNG Tanker suffer distortion of such nature as to create a reasonable doubt regarding the validity of the tank gauge tables described herein (or any subsequent calibration provided for herein), Buyer or Buyer's agent shall recalibrate the damaged tanks, and the vessel shall not be employed as an LNG Tanker hereunder until appropriate corrections are made. If mutually agreed between Buyer and Seller representatives, recalibration of damaged tanks can be deferred until the next time when such damaged tanks are warmed for any reason, and any corrections to the prior tank gauge tables will be made from the time the distortion occurred. If the time of the distortion cannot be ascertained, the Parties shall mutually agree on the time period for retrospective adjustments.

5. Units of Measurement and Calibration

The Parties shall co-operate in the design, selection and acquisition of devices to be used for measurements and tests in order that all measurements and tests may be conducted in the SI system



of units, except for the quantity delivered which is expressed in MMBtu, the Gross Heating Value (volume based) which is expressed in Btu/SCF and the pressure which is expressed in millibar and temperature in Celsius. In the event that it becomes necessary to make measurements and tests using a new system of units of measurements, the Parties shall establish agreed upon conversion tables.

6. Accuracy of Measurement

All measuring equipment must be maintained, calibrated and tested in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. In the absence of a manufacturer's recommendation, the minimum frequency of calibration shall be one hundred eighty (180) days, unless otherwise mutually agreed between the Parties. Documentation of all tests and calibrations will be made available by the Party performing the same to the other Party. Acceptable accuracy and performance tolerances shall be:

a) Liquid Level Gauging Devices.

Each LNG tank of the LNG Tanker shall be equipped with primary and secondary liquid level gauging devices as per Paragraph 7(b) of this Exhibit A.

The measurement accuracy of the primary gauging devices shall be plus or minus seven point five (\pm 7.5) millimeters and the secondary liquid level gauging devices shall be plus or minus ten (\pm 10) millimeters.

The liquid level in each LNG tank shall be logged or printed.

b) Temperature Gauging Devices.

The temperature of the LNG and of the vapor space in each LNG tank shall be measured by means of a number of properly located temperature measuring devices sufficient to permit the determination of average temperature.

The measurement accuracy of the temperature gauging devices shall be as follows:

(i) in the temperature range of minus one hundred sixty five to minus one hundred forty degree Celsius (-165C to -140°C), the accuracy shall be plus or minus zero point two degree Celsius (\pm 0.2 °C);

(ii) in the temperature range of minus one hundred forty to plus forty degree Celsius (-140C to +40 °C), the accuracy shall be plus or minus one point five degree Celsius (\pm 1.5 °C).

The temperature in each LNG tank shall be logged or printed.

c) Pressure Gauging Devices.

Each LNG tank of the LNG Tanker shall have one (1) absolute pressure gauging device.

The measurement accuracy of the pressure gauging device shall be plus or minus one percent ($\pm 1\%$) of the measuring range.

The pressure in each LNG tank shall be logged or printed.

d) List and Trim Gauging Devices.

A list gauging device and a trim gauging device shall be installed. These shall be interfaced with the custody transfer system.

The measurement accuracy of the list and the trim gauging devices shall be better than plus or minus zero point zero five (± 0.05) degrees for list and plus or minus zero point zero one (± 0.01) degrees for trim.

7. Gauging and Measuring LNG Volumes Delivered

a) Gauge Tables. Upon Seller's representative and the independent surveyor, if present, arriving on board the LNG Tanker prior to the commencement of or during loading, Buyer or Buyer's representative shall make available to them a certified copy of tank gauge tables for each tank of the LNG Tanker.

b) Gauges. Volumes of LNG delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be determined by gauging the LNG in the tanks of the LNG Tankers before and after loading. Each LNG Tanker's tank shall be equipped with a minimum of two (2) independent sets of level gauges, each set utilizing preferably a different measurement principle. Comparison of the two (2) systems, designated as Primary and Secondary Measurement Systems, shall be performed from time to time to ensure compliance with the acceptable performance tolerances stated herein.

c) Gauging Process. Gauging the liquid in the tanks of the LNG Tankers and measuring of liquid temperature, vapor temperature and vapor pressure in each LNG tank, trim and list of the LNG Tankers, and atmospheric pressure shall be performed, or caused to be performed, by Buyer before and after loading. Seller's representative shall have the right to be present while all measurements are performed and shall verify the accuracy and acceptability of all such measurements. The first gauging and measurements shall be made immediately before the commencement of loading. The second gauging and measurements shall take place immediately after the completion of loading.

d) Records. Copies of gauging and measurement records shall be furnished to Seller immediately upon completion of loading.

e) Gauging Liquid Level of LNG. The level of the LNG in each LNG tank of the LNG Tanker shall be gauged by means of the primary gauging device installed in the LNG Tanker for that purpose. The level of the LNG in each tank shall be logged or printed.

Measurement of the liquid level in each LNG tank of the LNG Tanker shall be made to the nearest millimeter by using the primary liquid level gauging devices. Should the primary devices fail, the secondary device shall be used.

Five (5) readings shall be made following manufacturer's recommendations on reading interval. The arithmetic average of the readings rounded to the nearest millimeter using one (1) decimal place shall be deemed the liquid level.

f) Determination of Temperature. The temperature of the LNG and of the vapor space in each LNG tank shall be measured by means of a sufficient number of properly located temperature measuring devices to permit the determination of average temperature. Temperatures shall be measured at the same time as the liquid level measurements and shall be logged or printed.

In order to determine the temperature of liquid and vapor respectively in the LNG Tanker one (1) reading shall be taken at each temperature gauging device in each LNG tank. An arithmetic average of such readings rounded to the nearest zero point one degree Celsius ($0.1 \,^{\circ}$ C) using two (2) decimal places with respect to vapor and liquid in all LNG tanks shall be deemed the final temperature of the vapor and liquid respectively.

Buyer shall cause each cargo tank in the LNG Tanker to be provided with a minimum of five (5) temperature measuring devices. One such measuring device shall be located in the vapor space at the top of each cargo tank, one near the bottom of each cargo tank and the remainder distributed at appropriate intervals from the top to the bottom of the cargo tank. These devices shall be used to determine the average temperatures of the liquid cargo and the vapor in the cargo tank.

The average temperature of the vapor in an LNG Tanker shall be determined immediately before loading by means of the temperature measuring devices specified above at the same time as when the liquid level is measured. The temperature measuring devices shall be fully surrounded by the vapor. This determination shall be made by taking the temperature readings of the temperature measuring devices in question to the nearest zero point zero one degrees Celsius $(0.01^{\circ}C)$, and if more than one of the devices are fully surrounded by the vapor, by averaging those readings, and rounding to one (1) decimal place.

The average temperature of the liquid in an LNG Tanker shall be determined immediately after loading by means of the temperature measuring devices specified above.

g) Determination of Pressure. The pressure of the vapor in each LNG tank shall be determined by means of pressure measuring devices installed in each LNG tank of the LNG Tankers. The atmospheric pressure shall be determined by readings from the standard barometer installed in the LNG Tankers. Pressures shall be measured at the same time as the liquid level measurements, and shall be logged or printed.

Buyer shall cause the LNG Tanker to be provided with pressure measuring equipment capable of determining the absolute pressure of the vapor in each cargo tank with an accuracy equal to or better than plus or minus one percent ($\pm 1\%$) of the measuring range.

The pressure of the vapor in an LNG Tanker shall be determined immediately before loading at the same time as when the liquid level is measured.

Such determination shall be made by taking the pressure readings of the pressure measuring devices to the nearest millibar, then averaging these readings and rounding to a whole millibar.

h) Determination of Density. The LNG density shall be calculated using the revised Klosek-McKinley method. Should any improved data, method of calculation or direct measurement device become available which is acceptable to both Buyer and Seller, such improved data, method or device shall then be used.

8. Samples for Quality Analysis

a) General. Representative liquid samples shall be collected from an appropriate point located as close as practical to the loading line starting one (1) hour after full loading rate is reached and ending one (1) hour before ramping down from the full loading rate. A sample shall be taken and analyzed at least once every twenty (20) minutes by an on-line chromatograph during this period. Samples taken when biphasic or overheated LNG is suspected to be in the main transfer line will be disregarded. These incremental samples will be passed through a vaporizer, and samples of the vaporized liquid will be analyzed. The resulting analyses, which are generally proportional to time, will be arithmetically averaged to yield an analysis that is representative of the loaded LNG cargo. This arithmetically averaged analysis shall be used for all appropriate calculations associated with the delivered LNG cargo. If both Seller and Buyer agree that the result of the arithmetic average does not give a fair representation of the composition of the LNG, both Parties shall meet and decide in good faith the appropriate method to determine the composition of the LNG. Should the automatic sampling system fail during the loading, manual samples shall be collected and analyzed for accounting purposes.

b) Manual Samples. Prior to the end of the loading cycle, three (3) sets of spot samples shall be collected from the vaporizer at the following intervals during loading, when loading is twenty-five percent (25%), fifty percent (50%), and seventy-five percent (75%) complete. Spot samples shall be collected in accordance with Gas Processors Association ("GPA") Standard 2166 - Methods for Obtaining Gas Samples for Analysis by Gas Chromatography - or by other mutually agreeable methods. The samples shall be properly labeled and then distributed to Buyer and Seller. Seller shall retain one (1) sample for a period of thirty (30) days, unless the analysis is in dispute. If the analysis is in dispute, the sample will be retained until the dispute is resolved.

Sampling and analysis methods and procedures that differ from the above may be employed with the mutual agreement of the Parties.

9. Quality Analysis

a) Certification and Deviation. Chromatograph calibration gasses shall be provided and their composition certified by an independent third party. From time to time, deviation checks shall be performed to verify the accuracy of the gas composition mole percentages and resulting calculated physical properties. Analyses of a sample of test gas of known composition resulting when procedures that are in accordance with the above mentioned standards have been applied will be considered as acceptable if the resulting calculated gross heating value is within plus or minus zero point three percent (\pm 0. 3%) of the known gross heating value of the test gas sample. If the deviation exceeds the tolerance stated, the gross real heating value, relative density and compressibility previously calculated will be corrected immediately. Previous analyses will be corrected to the point where the error occurred, if this can be positively identified to the satisfaction of both Parties. Otherwise it shall be assumed that the drift has been linear since the last recalibration and correction shall be based on this assumption.

b) GPA Standard 2261. All samples shall be analyzed by Seller to determine the molar fraction of the hydrocarbon and other components in the sample by gas chromatography using a mutually agreed method in accordance with GPA Standard 2261 - Method of Analysis for Gas and Similar Gaseous Mixtures by Gas Chromatography, current as of January1, 1990 and as periodically updated or as otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties. If better standards for analysis are subsequently adopted by GPA or other recognized competent impartial authority, upon mutual agreement of Buyer and Seller, they shall be substituted for the standard then in use, but such substitution shall not take place retroactively. A calibration of the chromatograph or other analytical instrument used shall be performed by Seller immediately prior to the analysis of the sample of LNG delivered. Seller shall give advance notice to Buyer of the time Seller intends to conduct a calibration thereof, and Buyer shall have the right to have a representative present at each such calibration; provided, however, Seller will not be obligated to defer or reschedule any calibration in order to permit the representative of Buyer to be present.

c) GPA Standard 2377 and 2265. Seller shall determine the presence of Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) by use of GPA Standard 2377 - Test of Hydrogen Sulfide and Carbon Dioxide in Gas Using Length of Stain Tubes. If necessary, the concentration of H2S and total sulfur will be determined using one or more of the following methods as is appropriate: gas chromatography, Gas Processors Standard 2265 - Standard for Determination of Hydrogen Sulfide and Mercaptan Sulfur in Gas (Cadmium Sulfate - Iodometric Titration Method) or any other method that is mutually acceptable. If Hydrogen Sulfide or Carbon Dioxide are detected by the above methods then Seller shall confirm the presence of Hydrogen Sulfide or Carbon Dioxide in accordance with GPA Standard 2261-00 (Analysis for Natural Gas and Similar Gaseous Mixtures by Gas Chromatography).

10. Operating Procedures

a) Notice. Prior to conducting operations for measurement, gauging, sampling and analysis provided in this Exhibit A, the Party responsible for such operations shall notify the appropriate representatives of the other Party, allowing such representatives reasonable opportunity to be present for all operations and computations; provided that the absence of the other Party's representative after notification and opportunity to attend shall not prevent any operations and computations from being performed.

b) Independent Surveyor. At the request of either Party any measurement, gauging, sampling and analysis shall be witnessed and verified by an independent surveyor mutually agreed upon by Buyer and Seller. The results of such surveyor's verifications shall be made available promptly to each Party.

c) Preservation of Records. All records of measurement and the computed results shall be preserved by the Party responsible for taking the same, or causing the same to be taken, and made available to the other Party for a period of not less than three (3) years after such measurement and computation.



11. Quantities Delivered

a) Calculation of MMBtu Quantities. The quantity of MMBtu delivered shall be calculated by Seller and verified by Buyer. Either Party may, at its own expense, require the measurements and calculations and/or their verification by an independent surveyor, mutually agreed upon by the Parties. Consent to an independent surveyor proposed by a Party shall not be unreasonably withheld by the other Party.

b) Determination of Gross Heating Value. All component values shall be in accordance with the latest revision of GPA Standard 2145 SI (2009) - Physical Constants for Hydrocarbons & Other Compounds of Interest to the Natural Gas Industry and the latest revision of the reference standards therein. Standard reference conditions for Hi component should be 15° C & 101.325 kPa.

c) Determination of Volume of LNG Loaded.

(i) The LNG volume in the tanks of the LNG Tanker before and after loading (valves have to be closed) shall be determined by gauging on the basis of the tank gauge tables provided for in Paragraph 6. During the period when measurement is occurring, no LNG cargo, ballast, boiloff gas, fuel oil or other cargo transfer activity will be carried out on the LNG Tanker. Measurements shall first be made immediately before loading commences. Accordingly, after connection of the loading arms, but prior to their cool-down, and immediately before opening the manifold ESD valves of the LNG Tanker, the initial gauging shall be conducted upon the confirmation of stoppage of all spray pumps and compressors and shut-off of the gas master valve to the LNG Tanker's boilers or any other gas consuming unit. The gas master valve to the LNG Tanker's boilers or any other gas consuming unit shall remain closed until after the second gauging, unless a regulatory change requires the consumption of gas during the vessel loading operations and/or upon mutual agreement between all parties upon which event the procedure for the measurement of gas consumed during loading shall be calculated in accordance with Paragraph 12.4 of this Exhibit A. A second gauging shall be made immediately after loading is completed. Accordingly, the second gauging shall be conducted upon the confirmation of shut-off of the manifold ESD valves, with transfer pumps off and allowing sufficient time for the liquid level to stabilize. Measurements prior to loading and after loading will be carried out based on the condition of the LNG Tanker's lines upon arrival at berth. Since significant volumes of LNG may remain in the LNG Tanker's manifold and crossover, gauging will be performed with these lines in the same condition prior to loading and after loading. If the LNG Tanker's manifold and crossover lines are empty (warm) when measurement is taken before loading commences, they will be emptied prior to measurement following the completion of loading. If the crossover lines are liquid filled (cold) when measurement is taken before loading commences, they will remain full (cold) until measurement is taken following the completion of loading. The volume of LNG remaining in the tanks immediately before loading of the LNG Tanker shall be subtracted from the volume immediately after loading and the resulting volume shall be taken as the volume of the LNG delivered from the terminal to the LNG Tanker.

The volume of LNG stated in cubic meters to the nearest zero point zero zero one (0.001) cubic meter, shall be determined by using the tank gauge tables and by applying the volume corrections set forth therein.



(ii) Gas returned to the terminal and gas consumed by the LNG Tanker during loading shall be taken into account to determine the volume loaded for Buyer's account in accordance with the formula in Paragraph 12.4 of this Exhibit A - MMBtu Calculation of the Quantity of LNG Loaded.

(iii) If failure of the primary gauging and measuring devices of an LNG Tanker should make it impossible to determine the LNG volume, the volume of LNG loaded shall be determined by gauging the liquid level using the secondary gauging and measurement devices. If an LNG Tanker is not so equipped, the volume of LNG loaded shall be determined by gauging the liquid level in Seller's onshore LNG storage tanks immediately before and after loading the LNG Tanker, in line with the terminal procedures, and such volume shall have subtracted from it an estimated LNG volume, agreed upon by the Parties, for boil-off from such tanks during the loading of such LNG Tanker. Seller shall provide Buyer, or cause Buyer to be provided with, a certified copy of tank gauge tables for each onshore LNG tank which is to be used for this purpose, such tables to be verified by a competent impartial authority.

12. Calculations

The calculation procedures contained in this Paragraph 12 are generally in accordance with the Institute of Petroleum Measurement Manual, Part XII, the Static Measurement of Refrigerated Hydrocarbon Liquids, Section 1, IP 251/76.

d = density of LNG loaded at the prevailing composition and temperature Tl in kg/m3, rounded to two (2) decimal places, calculated according to the method specified in Paragraph 12.1 of this Exhibit A.

Hi = gross heating value (mass based) of component "i" in MJ/kg, in accordance with Paragraph 12.6(a) of this Exhibit A.

Hm = gross heating value (mass based) of the LNG loaded in MJ/kg, calculated in accordance with the method specified in Paragraph 12.3 of this Exhibit A, rounded to four (4) decimal places.

Hv = gross heating value (volume based) of the LNG loaded in Btu/SCF, calculated in accordance with the method specified in Paragraph 12.5 of this Exhibit A.

K1 = volume correction in m3/kmol, at temperature Tl, obtained by linear interpolation from Paragraph 12.6(c) of this Exhibit A, rounded to six (6) decimal places.

 K_2 = volume correction in m3/kmol, at temperature Tl obtained by linear interpolation from Paragraph 12.6(d) of this Exhibit A, rounded to six (6) decimal places.

Mi = molecular mass of component "i" in kg/kmol, in accordance with Paragraph 12.6(a) of this Exhibit A.

P = average absolute pressure of vapor in an LNG Tanker immediately before loading, in millibars, rounded to a whole millibar.

Q = number of MMBtu contained in the LNG delivered, rounded to the nearest ten (10) MMBtu.

TI = average temperature of the liquid cargo in the LNG Tanker immediately after loading, in degrees Celsius, rounded to one (1) decimal place.

Tv = average temperature of the vapor in an LNG Tanker immediately before loading, in degrees Celsius, rounded to one (1) decimal place.

V = the volume of the liquid cargo loaded, in cubic meters, rounded to three (3) decimal places.

Vh = the volume of the liquid cargo in an LNG Tanker immediately before loading, in cubic meters, rounded to three (3) decimal places.

Vb = the volume of the liquid cargo in an LNG Tanker immediately after loading, in cubic meters, rounded to three (3) decimal places.

Vi = molar volume of component "i" at temperature Tl, in m3/kmol, obtained by linear interpolation from Paragraph 12.6(b) of this Exhibit A, rounded to six (6) decimal places.

Xi = molar fraction of component "i" of the LNG samples taken from the loading line, rounded to four (4) decimal places, determined by gas chromatographic analysis.

Xm = the value of Xi for methane.

Xn = the value of Xi for nitrogen.

12.1 Density Calculation Formula

The density of the LNG loaded which is used in the MMBtu calculation in 12.4 of this Exhibit A shall be calculated from the following formula derived from the revised Klosek-McKinley method:

$$d = \frac{\sum (X_i \times M_i)}{\sum (X_i \times V_i) - \left[K1 + \frac{(K2 - K1) \times X_n}{0.0425}\right] \times X_m}$$

In the application of the above formula, no intermediate rounding shall be made if the accuracy of "d" is thereby affected.

12.2 Calculation of Volume Delivered

The volume, in cubic meters, of each LNG cargo loaded shall be calculated by using the following formula:

V = Vb - Vh

12.3 Calculation of Gross Heating Value (Mass Based)

The gross heating value (mass based), in MJ/kg, of each LNG cargo loaded shall be calculated by using the following formula:

$$H_m = \frac{\sum (X_i \times M_i \times H_i)}{\sum (X_i \times M_i)}$$

12.4 MMBtu Calculation of the Quantity of LNG Loaded

The number of MMBtu contained in the LNG loaded shall be calculated using the following formula:

$$Q = \frac{1}{1055.12} \times \left\{ \left(V \times d \times H_m \right) - \left(V \times \frac{288.15}{273.15 + T_v} \times \frac{P}{1013.25} \right) \times 37.7 + QBOG \right\}$$

The derivation of the conversion factor 1/1055.12 in the formula in this Paragraph for the conversion of MJ into MMBtu is obtained from GPA-2145:1994 and IP-251:1976 as follows:

- (a) q(T,P) means the gross heating value (measured at temperature T and pressure P), contained in a given quantity of gas;
- (b) $q(60^{\circ}F, 14.696 \text{ psia})$ in MJ = 1/1.00006 x $q(15^{\circ}C, 1013.25 \text{ millibar})$ in MJ;
- (c) 1 MMBtu corresponds to 1055.06 MJ;
- (d) $q(60^{\circ}F, 14.696 \text{ psia})$ in MMBtu = $1/1055.06 \text{ x} q(60^{\circ}F, 14.696 \text{ psia})$ in MJ; and
- (e) Combining (b) and (d) above yields:

q(60°F, 14.696 psia) in MMBtu = 1/1055.12 x q(15°C, 1013.25 millibar) in MJ.

Hence the number of MJ derived shall be divided by 1055.12 to obtain the number of MMBtu for invoicing purposes.

QBOG = the quantity of boil off gas in MJ consumed by the LNG tanker during loading, calculated as follows:

 $QBOG = (V2 \times 55.575)$

where:

V2 = the quantity of natural gas consumed by the LNG tanker during loading (as calculated pursuant to the below formula), stated in kg and rounded to the nearest kg; and

55.575 the heating value of the vapor (assumed to be 100% of methane) stated in MJ/kg at standard reference conditions = $(15^{\circ}C, 1.01325 \text{ bar})$ for both combustion & metering references (tables below).

Quantity of Natural Gas Consumed by LNG Tanker (V2)

The quantity of natural gas consumed by the LNG tanker during loading shall be computed by taking the initial and the final reading of Natural Gas Consumption Meter on board the tanker (i.e. final reading of Natural Gas Consumption Meter after completion of loading minus initial reading of Natural Gas Consumption Meter before the start of loading) and is calculated by using the following formula:

V2 = Vf - Vi

where:

- V2 = the quantity of natural gas consumed by the LNG tanker during loading, stated in kg;
- Vf = the reading of Natural Gas Consumption Meter on board the tanker after the completion of loading, stated in kg; and
- Vi = the reading of Natural Gas Consumption Meter on board the tanker before the start of loading, stated in kg.

12.5 Calculation of Gross Heating Value (Volume Based)

The calculation of the Gross Heating Value (volume based) in Btu/SCF shall be derived from the same compositional analysis as is used for the purposes of calculating the Gross Heating Value (mass based) Hm and the following formula shall apply:

$$H_v = 1.13285 \times \sum (X_i \times M_i \times H_i)$$

The derivation of the conversion factor 1.13285 for the conversion of MJ/kmol into Btu/SCF is obtained as follows:

- (a) molar gross heating value = $\sum (Xi \times Mi \times Hi) MJ/kmol;$
- (b) 1 kmol = 2.20462 lbmol;
- (c) 1 lbmol = 379.482 SCF;
- (d) hence 1 kmol = 836.614 SCF; and
- (e) $H_V = 1,000,000/(1055.12 \times 836.614) \times \Sigma$ (Xi x Mi x Hi) Btu/SCF; or

 $Hv = 1.13285 \times \sum (Xi \times Mi \times Hi) Btu/SCF$

12.6 Data

(a) Values of Hi and Mi

Component	<u>Hi (in MJ/kg)</u>	<u>Mi (in kg/kmol)</u>
Methane	55.575	16.0425
Ethane	51.951	30.0690
Propane	50.369	44.0956
Iso-Butane	49.388	58.1222
N-Butane	49.546	58.1222
Iso-Pentane	48.95	72.1488
N-Pentane	49.045	72.1488
N-Hexane	48.715	86.1754
Nitrogen	0	28.0134
Carbon Dioxide	0	44.0095
Oxygen	0	31.9988

Source: GPA Publication 2145 SI-2009: "Table of Physical Properties for Hydrocarbons and Other Compounds of Interest to the Natural Gas Industry".

(b) Values of Vi (cubic meter/kmol)

<u>Temperature</u>	<u>-150°C</u>	<u>-154°C</u>	<u>-158°C</u>	<u>-160°C</u>	<u>-162°C</u>	<u>-166°C</u>	<u>-170°C</u>
Methane	0.039579	0.038983	0.038419	0.038148	0.037884	0.037375	0.036890
Ethane	0.048805	0.048455	0.048111	0.047942	0.047774	0.047442	0.047116
Propane	0.063417	0.063045	0.062678	0.062497	0.062316	0.061957	0.061602
Iso-Butane	0.079374	0.078962	0.078554	0.078352	0.078151	0.077751	0.077356
N-Butane	0.077847	0.077456	0.077068	0.076876	0.076684	0.076303	0.075926
Iso-Pentane	0.092817	0.092377	0.091939	0.091721	0.091504	0.091071	0.090641
N-Pentane	0.092643	0.092217	0.091794	0.091583	0.091373	0.090953	0.090535
N-Hexane	0.106020	0.105570	0.105122	0.104899	0.104677	0.104236	0.103800
Nitrogen	0.055877	0.051921	0.048488	0.046995	0.045702	0.043543	0.041779
Carbon Diox	0.027950	0.027650	0.027300	0.027200	0.027000	0.026700	0.026400
Oxygen	0.03367	0.03275	0.03191	0.03151	0.03115	0.03045	0.02980

Source: National Bureau of Standards Interagency Report 77-867, Institute of Petroleum IP251/76 for Oxygen.

Note: For intermediate values of temperature and molecular mass a linear interpolation shall be applied

(c) Values of Volume Correction Factor, K1 (cubic meter/kmol)

Molecular							
Mass of							
Mixture	<u>-150°C</u>	<u>-154°C</u>	<u>-158°C</u>	<u>-160°C</u>	<u>-162°C</u>	<u>-166°C</u>	<u>-170°C</u>
16.0	-0.000012	-0.000010	-0.000009	-0.000009	-0.000008	-0.000007	-0.000007
16.5	0.000135	0.000118	0.000106	0.000100	0.000094	0.000086	0.000078

17.0	0.000282	0.000245	0.000221	0.000209	0.000197	0.000179	0.000163
17.2	0.000337	0.000293	0.000261	0.000248	0.000235	0.000214	0.000195
17.4	0.000392	0.000342	0.000301	0.000287	0.000274	0.000250	0.000228
17.6	0.000447	0.000390	0.000342	0.000327	0.000312	0.000286	0.000260
17.8	0.000502	0.000438	0.000382	0.000366	0.000351	0.000321	0.000293
18.0	0.000557	0.000486	0.000422	0.000405	0.000389	0.000357	0.000325
18.2	0.000597	0.000526	0.000460	0.000441	0.000423	0.000385	0.000349
18.4	0.000637	0.000566	0.000499	0.000477	0.000456	0.000412	0.000373
18.6	0.000677	0.000605	0.000537	0.000513	0.000489	0.000440	0.000397
18.8	0.000717	0.000645	0.000575	0.000548	0.000523	0.000467	0.000421
19.0	0.000757	0.000685	0.000613	0.000584	0.000556	0.000494	0.000445
19.2	0.000800	0.000724	0.000649	0.000619	0.000589	0.000526	0.000474
19.4	0.000844	0.000763	0.000685	0.000653	0.000622	0.000558	0.000503
19.6	0.000888	0.000803	0.000721	0.000688	0.000655	0.000590	0.000532
19.8	0.000932	0.000842	0.000757	0.000722	0.000688	0.000622	0.000561
20	0.000976	0.000881	0.000793	0.000757	0.000721	0.000654	0.000590
25	0.001782	0.001619	0.001475	0.001407	0.001339	0.001220	0.001116
30	0.002238	0.002043	0.001867	0.001790	0.001714	0.001567	0.001435

Source: National Bureau of Standards Interagency Report 77-867.

Note 1: Molecular mass of mixture equals $\sum (Xi \times Mi)$.

Note 2: For intermediate values of temperature and molecular mass a linear interpolation shall be applied.

(d) Values of Volume Correction Factor, K2 (cubic meter/kmol)

Molecular Mass of							
Mixture	<u>-150°C</u>	<u>-154°C</u>	<u>-158°C</u>	<u>-160°C</u>	<u>-162°C</u>	<u>-166°C</u>	<u>-170°C</u>
16.0	-0.000039	-0.000031	-0.000024	-0.000021	-0.000017	-0.000012	-0.000009
16.5	0.000315	0.000269	0.000196	0.000178	0.000162	0.000131	0.000101
17.0	0.000669	0.000568	0.000416	0.000377	0.000341	0.000274	0.000210
17.2	0.000745	0.000630	0.000478	0.000436	0.000397	0.000318	0.000246
17.4	0.000821	0.000692	0.000540	0.000495	0.000452	0.000362	0.000282
17.6	0.000897	0.000754	0.000602	0.000554	0.000508	0.000406	0.000318
17.8	0.000973	0.000816	0.000664	0.000613	0.000564	0.000449	0.000354
18.0	0.001049	0.000878	0.000726	0.000672	0.000620	0.000493	0.000390
18.2	0.001116	0.000939	0.000772	0.000714	0.000658	0.000530	0.000425
18.4	0.001184	0.001000	0.000819	0.000756	0.000696	0.000567	0.000460
18.6	0.001252	0.001061	0.000865	0.000799	0.000735	0.000605	0.000496
18.8	0.001320	0.001121	0.000912	0.000841	0.000773	0.000642	0.000531
19.0	0.001388	0.001182	0.000958	0.000883	0.000811	0.000679	0.000566
19.2	0.001434	0.001222	0.000998	0.000920	0.000844	0.000708	0.000594
19.4	0.001480	0.001262	0.001038	0.000956	0.000876	0.000737	0.000623
19.6	0.001526	0.001302	0.001078	0.000992	0.000908	0.000765	0.000652
19.8	0.001573	0.001342	0.001118	0.001029	0.000941	0.000794	0.000681
20.0	0.001619	0.001382	0.001158	0.001065	0.000973	0.000823	0.000709
25.0	0.002734	0.002374	0.002014	0.001893	0.001777	0.001562	0.001383
30.0	0.003723	0.003230	0.002806	0.002631	0.002459	0.002172	0.001934

Source: National Bureau of Standards Interagency Report 77-867.

- Note 1: Molecular mass of mixture equals \sum (Xi x Mi).
- Note 2: For intermediate values of temperature and molecular mass a linear interpolation shall be applied.

<u>EXHIBIT B</u>

FORM OF PORT LIABILITY AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT C

FORM OF TUG SERVICES AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT D

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CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. NEWS RELEASE

Cheniere Agrees to Sell \$2B of Equity for Sabine Pass Liquefaction Project

- -Blackstone Investing \$1.5 Billion in Cheniere
- Partners
- Cheniere Energy, Inc. Investing \$0.5 Billion in Cheniere
- Partners

Houston, Texas - May 15, 2012 - Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. ("Cheniere Partners") (NYSE Amex: CQP) announced today that it has entered into a Unit Purchase Agreement ("Agreement") with investment funds managed by Blackstone Energy Partners L.P. and Blackstone Capital Partners VI L.P. (collectively with their affiliates "Blackstone"). Under the Agreement, Blackstone has agreed to purchase \$1.5 billion newly issued CQP Class B units ("Class B Units") from Cheniere Partners in a private placement. As previously announced, Cheniere Energy, Inc. ("CEI") has also agreed to purchase \$500 million newly issued Class B Units pursuant to a separate unit purchase agreement. Proceeds from the financings will be used to fund the equity portion of the costs of developing, constructing and placing into service the Sabine Pass LNG liquefaction project being developed adjacent to the Sabine Pass LNG terminal (the "Liquefaction Project"), to purchase the Creole Trail Pipeline from Cheniere Energy, Inc. and to fund modifications to the Creole Trail Pipeline and for other partnership business purposes.

Blackstone and CEI have agreed to purchase 100 million and 33.3 million, respectively, Class B Units for \$15.00 per unit. On a quarterly basis, beginning on the initial funding date and ending on the conversion date, the Class B Units will accrete at a compounded rate of 3.5% per quarter. The Class B Units will be subject to conversion into Cheniere Partners common units, mandatorily or at the option of the holders of Class B Units, as provided in the amended partnership agreement. The Board of Directors of the general partner of Cheniere Partners will be comprised of eleven directors, including four directors appointed by CEI, three directors appointed by Blackstone, and four independent directors.

"Financing is the last milestone we need to complete in order to proceed with the construction of the first two trains of our Liquefaction Project at Sabine Pass. We expect to finance the Liquefaction Project with a combination of debt and equity, and these financings with Blackstone and CEI complete the equity portion. Blackstone is one of the top financial institutions in the energy sector, with a strong track record of investments, and we look forward to a longstanding, successful working relationship," said Charif Souki, Chairman and CEO. "We recently announced that we have engaged eight joint lead arranger banks to arrange the debt financing. We expect to complete the debt financing and advance our project in due course, with commencement of operations targeted for 2015."

David Foley, Senior Managing Director of Blackstone and CEO of Blackstone Energy Partners, said, "We continue to be impressed with the vision and capability of Cheniere's management team and are pleased to partner with them to develop the first natural gas liquefaction export facility in the continental United States, creating thousands of jobs for American workers and providing significant benefits to the local economy and the state of Louisiana."

At initial funding, Blackstone will purchase 33.3 million Class B Units and CEI will purchase 33.3 million Class B Units. Blackstone will make additional capital contributions as funds are requested by Cheniere Partners. Initial funding for Blackstone and CEI is subject, but not limited to, the execution of all definitive documentation, closing of the debt financing for the first two liquefaction trains, closing of the purchase and sale of the Creole Trail Pipeline between Cheniere Partners and CEI, and other conditions necessary to complete the transactions.

Credit Suisse Securities LLC acted as financial adviser to Cheniere Partners.

Cheniere Partners owns 100 percent of the Sabine Pass LNG receiving terminal located on the Sabine Pass Channel in western Cameron Parish, Louisiana. The Sabine Pass terminal has regasification and send-out capacity of 4.0 billion cubic feet per day (Bcf/d) and storage capacity of 16.9 billion cubic feet equivalent (Bcfe). Cheniere Partners is

developing a project to add liquefaction and export capabilities to the existing infrastructure at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal. As currently contemplated, the Liquefaction Project is being designed and permitted for up to four modular LNG trains, each with a nominal capacity of approximately 4.5 mtpa. The Liquefaction Project is expected to be constructed with each LNG train commencing operations approximately six to nine months after the previous train. In November 2011, Sabine Liquefaction entered into a lump sum turnkey contract for the engineering, procurement and construction of the first two trains of the project with Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc. Sabine Liquefaction has also entered into four long-term customer sale and purchase agreements ("SPAs") for a total of 16.0 mtpa of LNG volumes, which represents approximately 89 percent of the nominal LNG volumes. The customers include BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC ("BG") for 5.5 mtpa, Gas Natural Fenosa for 3.5 mtpa, KOGAS for 3.5 mtpa and GAIL (India) Ltd. for 3.5 mtpa. The BG SPA commences with the start of train one operations and the Gas Natural Fenosa SPA commences with the start of train two operations. Commencement of construction for the first two trains is subject, but not limited to, obtaining remaining debt financing and Cheniere Partners making a final investment decision. The KOGAS SPA commences with the start of train three operations and the GAIL (India) Ltd. SPA commences with the start of train four operations. Commencement of construction for the trins is subject, but not limited to, entering into an EPC contract, obtaining financing and Cheniere Partners making a final investment decision. Cheniere Partners has placed documentation pertaining to the Liquefaction Project, including the applications and supporting studies, on its website located at http://www.cheniereenergypartners.com.

	Target Date			
ne	Trains 1 & 2	Trains 3 & 4		
E export authorization	Received	Received		
initive commercial agreements	Completed 7.7 mtpa	Completed 8.3 mtpa		
- BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC	4.2 mtpa	1.3 mtpa		
- Gas Natural Fenosa	3.5 mtpa			
- KOGAS		3.5 mtpa		
- GAIL (India) Ltd.		3.5 mtpa		
C Contract	Complete	4Q12		
ancing commitments		1Q13		
- Equity	Complete			
- Debt	1H12			
RC authorization	Received	Received		
- Certificate to commence construction	Received	2013		
mmence construction	1H12	2013		
mmence operations	2015/2016	2017/2018		
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