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Mr. Jeff Robinson
Air Permits Section Chief
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (6PD-R)
1445 Ross Avenue
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Re: Request for Transfer of Permitting Authority for GHG PSD Permit Application
Lavaca Bay LNG Project
PSD GHG Permit Application
Excelerate Liquefaction Operations (Port Lavaca), LLC
Point Comfort, Calhoun County, Texas
CN604576488; RN107273930

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Excelerate Liquefaction Operations (Port Lavaca), LLC (Excelerate), a subsidiary of Excelerate Energy, L.P., submitted an application for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) authorization for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the proposed Lavaca Bay LNG Project to EPA Region 6 and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in June 2014. EPA Region 6 is currently the lead permitting authority and review of the application is being assisted by TCEQ pursuant to the work share program.

On November 10, 2014, EPA published final actions in the Federal Register approving the Texas GHG PSD permitting program and rescinding the Texas GHG Federal Implementation Plan (FIP). The Transition process established in these actions for pending applications specified that EPA Region 6 will retain jurisdiction over GHG PSD applications filed with EPA Region 6 after February 18, 2014, unless and until the applicant submits a written request to EPA Region 6 to transfer permitting authority to TCEQ.

Excelerate hereby requests the transfer of the permitting authority for the application from EPA Region 6 to TCEQ. Since TCEQ has already been evaluating the application, transfer to TCEQ is expected to simplify and expedite the approval of this important project.

Please contact me at (832) 813-7629 if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Trammel".

Mike Trammel, Vice President
Government and Environmental Affairs
Excelerate Energy, LP



cc: Mr. Mike Wilson, Director, Air Permits Division, TCEQ
Ms. Susan Clewis, Regional Director, TCEQ Region 14 - Corpus Christi
Ms. Melanie Magee – EPA Region 6