

May 3, 2023

Cedar LNG Partners (GP) Ltd. 2500-666 Burrard St. Vancouver, BC V6C 2X8

Attention: Cedar LNG Partners (GP) Ltd.

RE: Determination of Application Number 100117231

Permit holder: Cedar LNG Partners (GP) Ltd.

Date of Issuance: May 3, 2023 Effective Date: May 3, 2023

Application Submission Date: April 14, 2023 Application Determination Number: 100117231 Approved Disturbance Footprint: 5.763 ha

Authorized Activities

Road Number No.: 06606	Segment No.: 001, 002
Associated Oil & Gas Activity No.: 00229922,	Type: Access
00229924 – 00229926, 00229930	
Changes In and About a Stream: 0007878	

General Permissions, Authorizations and Conditions

Permissions

Oil and Gas Activities Act

- 1. The BC Energy Regulator, under section 25 (1) of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act* (OGAA), hereby permits the permit holder referenced above to carry out the following activities, indicated in the Authorized Activities table above, subject to the conditions contained herein, any applicable exemptions and authorizations:
 - To construct, maintain and operate an oil and gas road as detailed in the Activity Details tables below.
- 2. The permissions and authorizations granted under this permit are limited to the area identified in the spatial data submitted to the BC Energy Regulator in the permit application as identified and dated above; herein after referred to as the 'activity area'.
- 3. Notwithstanding the above permissions and authorizations, this permit does not authorize the following Associated Oil and Gas Activity(s):

00229923 - Access 00229927 - Access 00229928 - Access 00229929 - Access

Petroleum and Natural Gas Act

- 4. Pursuant to section 138(1) of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*, the permit holder is permitted to enter, occupy and use any unoccupied Crown land located within the activity area to carry out the oil and gas activities and related activities permitted, or authorized herein.
 - a. The permission to occupy and use Crown land does not entitle the permit holder to exclusive possession of the area.
 - b. The total disturbance within the activity area must not exceed the total approved disturbance footprint as referenced above.

Authorizations

Forest Act

5. The BC Energy Regulator, pursuant to section 47.4 of the *Forest Act*, hereby authorizes the removal of Crown timber from the activity area under the cutting permits associated with the Master Licence(s) as follows:

Master Licence to Cut No.: M02696

Cutting Permit No.: 8 Timber Mark No.: MTD833 Total New Cut: 4.51 hectares

Forest District: (DKM) Coast Mountains Natural Resource District

Region: Coastal

6. The cutting permits are deemed spent upon the submission of the post-construction plan or upon either the cancellation or expiry of the activities authorized under the permit.

Conditions

Notification

- 7. Within 60 days of the completion of construction activities under this permit, the permit holder must submit to the BC Energy Regulator a post-construction plan as a shapefile and PDF plan accurately identifying the location of the total area actually disturbed under this permit. The shapefile and plan must be submitted via e-Submission.
- 8. The Permit Holder must notify the First Nation(s) copied on this permit/authorization at least 5 (five) working days prior to project commencement.

General

- 9. The rights granted by this permit in relation to unoccupied Crown land are subject to all subsisting grants to or rights of any person made or acquired under the *Coal Act, Forest Act, Land Act, Mineral Tenure Act, Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, Range Act, Water Sustainability Act or Wildlife Act,* or any extension or renewal of the same.
- 10. The permit holder must not assign, sublicense, or permit any person other than its employees, contractors, or representatives, to use or occupy any Crown land within the activity area without the BC Energy Regulator's written consent.
- 11. The permit holder must ensure that any Crown land within the activity area is maintained in a condition to minimize hazards, including but not limited to hazards associated with storage of materials and equipment.
- 12. The permit holder must ensure that any Crown land within the activity area is maintained free of garbage, debris, and derelict equipment.

Environmental

13. Construction activities must not result in rutting, compaction or erosion of soils that cannot be reasonably rehabilitated to similar levels of soil productivity that existed on the activity area prior to the construction activities taking place.

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14. Any temporary access must be constructed and maintained in a manner that provides for proper surface drainage, prevents pooling on the surface, and maintains slope integrity.

Clearing/Forest Act

- 15. The permit holder is permitted to fell any trees located on Crown land within 1.5 tree lengths of the activity area that are considered to be a safety hazard according to Workers Compensation Act regulations and must be felled in order to eliminate the hazard. Trees or portions of these trees that can be accessed from the activity area without causing damage to standing timber may be harvested.
- 16. The holder of the cutting permit must pay to the government, stumpage and any waste billing determined in accordance with the terms of this authorization.
- 17. The authorized cutting permit does not grant the permit holder the exclusive right to harvest Crown timber from the activity area. Authority to harvest some or all of the timber may be granted to other persons. The permit holder's right to harvest timber applies to any timber found on the site at the time they undertake harvesting activities.
- 18. All harvested Crown Timber must be marked with the cutting permit's associated Timber Mark.
- 19. Any waste assessments applied under the Master License to Cut are subject to the merchantability specifications and monetary waste billing requirements in the Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Manual specific to the region associated with the Cutting Permit authorization.
- 20. Stumpage will be calculated in accordance with the Coast Appraisal Manual (volume based).

Watercourse Crossings and Works (WCW)

- 21. Stream, lake, and wetland crossings must be constructed in accordance with the methods and any mitigations, as specified in the application.
- 22. Construction or maintenance activities within a fish bearing stream or wetland must occur:
 - a. during the applicable reduced risk work windows as specified in the Skeena Region Reduced Risk Work Windows;
 - b. in accordance with alternative timing and associated mitigation recommended by a qualified professional and accepted by the BC Energy Regulator; or
 - c. in accordance with an authorization or letter of advice from Fisheries and Oceans Canada that is provided to the BC Energy Regulator;

If activities are to occur in accordance with b or c above, the documentation must be submitted to the BC Energy Regulator prior to commencement of activities.

- 23. At any time, the BC Energy Regulator may suspend instream works authorized under this permit. Suspensions on instream works will remain in place until such time as the BC Energy Regulator notifies permit holders that works may resume. Reasons for suspension of works may include, but are not limited to, drought conditions and increased environmental or public safety risks.
- 24. Equipment used for activities under this Permit must not be situated in a stream channel unless it is dry or frozen to the bottom at the time of the activity.
- 25. Mechanical stream crossings must be constructed, maintained, and deactivated according to the following requirements, as applicable:
 - a. To facilitate construction of a crossing, a machine is permitted to ford the stream a maximum of one time in each direction at the crossing location.
 - b. Only bridges, culverts, ice bridges or snow fills may be constructed at stream crossings;
 - c. The permit holder must ensure that permanent bridges are designed and fabricated in compliance with:
 - i. the Canadian Standards Association Canadian Bridge Design Code, CAN/CSA-S6; and

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- ii. soil property standards, as they apply to bridge piers and abutments; set out in the Canadian Foundation of Engineering Manual.
- d. Except with leave of the BC Energy Regulator, the permit holder must ensure that
 - i. culverts are designed and fabricated in compliance with the applicable:
 - a. Canadian Standards Association CSA G401, Corrugated Steel Pipe Products; or
 - Canadian Standards Association Standard CSA B1800, Section B182.8, Plastic Nonpressure Pipe Compendium; or
 - ii. any pipe installed in lieu of a culvert is of at least equivalent standard and strength as any culvert as specified above.
- e. Except with leave of the BC Energy Regulator, the permit holder must ensure that bridges or culverts meet the criteria set out in i., ii. or iii. below:
 - i. the bridge or culvert is designed to pass the highest peak flow of the stream that can reasonably be expected within the return periods set out in Column 2 of the table below for the period the permit holder anticipates the structure will remain on site, as set out in Column 1 of the table below:

Anticipated period crossing structure will remain on site	Peak flow period
Bridge or culvert, 3 years or less	10 years
Bridge other than a bridge within a community watershed, more than 3 years but less than 15	50 years
Bridge within a community watershed, more than 3 years	100 years
Bridge, 15 years or more	100 years
Culvert, more than 3 years	100 years

- ii. the bridge, or any component of the bridge:
 - a. is designed to pass expected flows during the period the bridge is anticipated to remain on the site;
 - b. is constructed, installed, and used only in a period of low flow; and
 - c. is removed before any period of high flow begins.
- iii. the culvert;
 - a. is a temporary installation, and the permit holder does not expect to subsequently install a replacement culvert at that location;
 - b. is not installed in a stream, when the stream contains fish;
 - c. is sufficient to pass flows that occur during the period the culvert remains on the site;
 - d. is installed during a period of low flow; and
 - e. is removed before any period of high flow begins.

WCW Road

- 26. Following initial construction, stream crossings are authorized for necessary road modification or maintenance activities on the activity area except for:
 - a. construction or replacement of a bridge or major culvert on a S1, S2, S3 or S5 stream;
 - b. installation of a closed bottom structure in a fish bearing stream;
 - excavation or grading of a stream bank or stream bed;
 - d. works within a Temperature Sensitive Stream established by order under s. 27 of the Environmental Protection and Management Regulation; or
 - e. works within a Fisheries Sensitive Watershed established by order under section 28 of the Environmental Protection and Management Regulation.

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- 27. Wetland crossings must be constructed, maintained, and removed in accordance with the following:
 - a. organic cover within and adjacent to the wetland must be retained;
 - b. minimize erosion or release of sediment within the wetland;
 - c. any padding materials must be placed on the wetland surface only and must not be used for infilling;
 - d. any padding materials must be removed as soon as practicable following construction, considering weather and ground conditions; and
 - e. the wetland, including banks and bed, must be restored, to the extent practicable, to the condition that existed before the crossing was initiated.

Archaeology

- 28. If an artifact, feature, material, or thing protected under the Heritage Conservation Act is identified within the activity area, the permit holder must, unless the permit holder holds a permit under Section 12.4 of the Heritage Conservation Act issued by the BC Energy Regulator in respect of that artifact, feature, material, or thing:
 - a. Immediately cease all work in the vicinity of the artifacts, features, materials or things;
 - b. Immediately notify the BC Energy Regulator; and
 - c. Resume work in the vicinity of the artifacts, features, materials, or things in accordance with direction from the BC Energy Regulator.

Activity Specific Details, Permissions and Conditions

Road

Land Area Number: 100021231

Road Number: 06606

Road Type: Long-Term - All-Weather

Activity Details

Seg No.: 001	Zone: 09 From: N 5987296.056 E 518646.348 To: N 5987304.622 E 518797.619
Seg No.: 002	Zone: 09 From: N 5986377.518 E 518427.792 To: N 5987296.056 E 518646.348

All permissions for this activity are subject to the following conditions:

Road Conditions

- 29. The permit holder will immediately effect and keep in force insurance of an amount not less than \$1,000,000 protecting the Province, the BC Energy Regulator, and the permit holder (without any rights of crossclaim or subrogation) against claims for personal injury, death, property damage, or third-party liability claims arising from any accident or occurrence on the activity area.
- 30. The permit holder must ensure any instream works related to maintenance are planned and overseen by a qualified professional. This individual must assess and determine whether planned works pose a risk to any of the features listed below, and is responsible for developing and implementing mitigation measures to reduce any potential impacts on these features, as required:
 - a. fish or important fisheries habitat;
 - b. species identified as special concern, threatened, or endangered under the federal Species at Risk Act; or
 - species identified by Order as a species at risk under the Forest and Range Practices Act or the Oil and Gas Activities Act.

This assessment must be provided to the BC Energy Regulator upon request.

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Advisory Guidance

- 1. Construction Plan 23531048801-VO-SKCH-013.pdf does not form an integral part of this permit.
- 2. Instructions for submitting notice of construction start, as required by regulation, can be found in the Oil and Gas Activity Operations Manual on the BC Energy Regulator's website.
- 3. Appropriate tenure may be issued upon acceptance of the post-construction plan. Submission of the original application and submission of the post-construction plan is considered an application for all subsequent applicable *Land Act* tenures. Upon the BC Energy Regulator's acceptance of the post-construction plan no further applications for replacement tenure are required.
- 4. Temporary access is intended to be short term access to facilitate construction of an oil and gas activity. It is not intended for sustained use and is not constructed to oil and gas road standards.
- 5. The permit holder should be aware that there may be First Nation's traditional, cultural, or spiritual activities occurring concurrently with maintenance activities, as well as areas of current use or cultural resources that overlap the activity area. All reasonable efforts should be made to minimize interference with those activities while carrying out the activities authorized herein.

All pages included in this permit and any attached documents form an integral part of this permit.

Norberto Pancera Authorized Signatory

BC Energy Regulator Delegated Decision Maker

Copied to:

First Nations – Haisla Nation Council Landowners/Rights Holders Ministry of Forests District Office - (DKM) Coast Mountains Natural Resource District