

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
Proposed Puget Sound Energy Tacoma Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Project
October 8, 2018

Puget Sound Energy has submitted a Notice of Construction (NOC) application to the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (Agency) for the Tacoma Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) facility (“project”). On November 9, 2015, the City of Tacoma issued the “Puget Sound Energy proposed Tacoma Liquefied Natural Gas Project Final Environmental Impact Statement” (FEIS). On January 24, 2018, the Agency announced its determination a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) was required to identify and analyze greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and impacts for the project.

This Draft SEIS (DSEIS) is supplementing the Air and Cumulative Impact sections related to GHGs in the City of Tacoma’s FEIS. The FEIS’ GHG analysis included a quantitative analysis of GHGs on the project site and some qualitative analysis on the use of LNG produced. It stated that there was a reduction in GHG emissions associated with the project, yet did not show a complete quantitative analysis of GHG emissions upstream and downstream of the LNG facility operations. The DSEIS includes a complete quantitative analysis of the GHG emissions throughout the fuel life cycle (a life cycle analysis). This analysis was completed for the proposed facility operations (both current proposed facility and the maximum capacity facility identified in the FEIS) and compared to the no-build or no-action alternative. This comparison was completed to evaluate the FEIS statement regarding GHG emission reductions from the proposed project. It also provided information to understand important assumptions about the project that affect this analysis. The DSEIS does discuss the source of the natural gas that would supply the proposed facility operations as an important factor for this analysis. The information in the Draft SEIS indicates that a GHG emission reduction from the proposed project (on a life cycle basis) can be predicted in comparison to the no-build option, providing the source of the natural gas is consistent with that identified by the proponent.

Project Name: Tacoma Liquefied Natural Gas Project
(including TOTE Marine Vessel LNG Fueling System)

Project Proponent: Puget Sound Energy

Location of Project: E 11th Street, Tacoma, WA

Document Location: The Draft SEIS (and Appendices) can be accessed and downloaded from the Agency project website at www.pscleanair.org/PSELNGPermit. Hard copies of the DSEIS can be reviewed at the Agency office (office hours are 8am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday). Hard copies of the DSEIS can also be reviewed at all open branches of the Tacoma Public Library and at The Center at Norpoint (4818 Nassau Ave N.E.) in Tacoma. In addition, a limited number of complementary hardcopies or CDs of the DSEIS will be made available from the Agency (while the supply lasts).

Public Comment Period: October 8, 2018 – November 21, 2018

Submit comments in writing no later than November 21, 2018 to:

Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
ATTN: Public Comment on DSEIS, PSE LNG Project
1904 Third Ave, Suite 105
Seattle, WA 98101

Or, by fax to (206) 343-7522 or e-mail to publiccomment@psccleanair.org

All comments received during the comment period will become part of the public record.

Public Hearing for Comments: October 30, 2018 (Open from 2-5pm & 6:30-10pm)

Rialto Theater, 310 S 9th St, Tacoma, WA 98402

The purpose of the public hearing is to provide an opportunity for the public to provide oral comments, in addition to written comments on the DSEIS. Comments received in writing or at the hearing have equal standing for this process.

Next Steps: Following the public comment period, the Agency will review the comments received and work with the project consultant to prepare a Final SEIS and a comment response record for this analysis. As a reminder, the SEIS process is not a permit decision on the NOC application. When the Final SEIS is published, the Agency will recommence processing the NOC. There will be opportunities for public comment (including a hearing) on any proposed NOC approval, when the Agency reaches that stage in the process.

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Further Information Regarding Project:
<http://www.pscleanair.org/PSELNGPermit>