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Mr. Larry D. Jensen
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Dear Mr. Jensen:

This is to inform you of the status of Shell's Deepwater Port License application, received November 3, 2003. The supplemental information received December 12, 2003, pursuant to our request for additional biological data for the proposed site, has been reviewed and determined to contain sufficient information to continue processing. In accordance with Title 33, United States Code 1504(c)(1), your application to construct, own and operate a liquefied natural gas deepwater port appears to contain all the information required by the Deepwater Port Act and has been deemed complete. We will continue to process your application in accordance with the Deepwater Port Act, as amended, and this project will be known as the Gulf Landing LLC Deepwater Port.

Notice of your application will be published in the Federal Register and we have designated Louisiana as the project's adjacent coastal state. Additional coastal states may be designated in the future as well. Throughout this process, we will consult with the State of Louisiana and several other Federal agencies, to ensure timely processing of your application in order for the Maritime Administrator, on behalf of the Secretary of Transportation, to render an informed licensing decision.

From time to time, additional information or clarification of existing information within your application may be requested. Your continued cooperation and assistance will be greatly appreciated in order to enhance our ability to provide quality service.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact LT Derek Dostie of my staff at (202) 267-0626, or Mr. Keith Lesnick at the Maritime Administration (202) 366-1624. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. A. Prescott".

M. A. PRESCOTT
Commander, U. S. Coast Guard
Chief, Vessel and Facility Operating
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By direction

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