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H.B. No. 3555

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the status of liquefied natural gas marine terminals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 121.007(a), Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person operating a natural gas pipeline, a liquefied natural gas pipeline, or an underground storage facility is not a gas utility if the person certifies to the railroad commission that the person uses the pipeline or underground storage facility solely to deliver natural gas or liquefied natural gas or the constituents of natural gas or liquefied natural gas:

(1) to a liquefied natural gas marine terminal;

(2) from a liquefied natural gas marine terminal to the owner of the gas or another person on behalf of the owner of the gas; ~~or~~

(3) that is acquired or sold by the person as necessary for the operation or maintenance of its facility that is excluded as a gas utility under this section; or

(4) that has been acquired by, stored by, or liquefied by the operator of a liquefied natural gas marine terminal.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.