

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

UNITED ENERGY TRADING, LLC

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) DOCKET NO. 15-100-NG
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ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO
IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS
FROM AND TO CANADA
AND VACATING PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3683

JULY 23, 2015

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On June 25, 2015, United Energy Trading, LLC (UET) filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA)¹ for blanket authorization to import and export up to a combined total of 100 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from and to Canada. The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term which began on February 1, 2015.² UET is a North Dakota limited liability company with its principal place of business in Bismarck, North Dakota.

As noted below, UET previously was granted authorization in DOE/FE Order No. 3441 to import and export natural gas from and to Canada for a two-year term beginning on May 29, 2014, and extending through May 28, 2016. On June 25, 2015, UET notified DOE that it had exceeded the import and export volume of 12 Bcf of natural gas authorized in that order.

Therefore, contemporaneous with the issuance of this authorization to UET, UET requests that DOE/FE Order No. 3441 be vacated, effective February 1, 2015.

II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import and/or export arrangement meets the public interest requirement of section 3 of the NGA, as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-486). Under section 3(c), the import and export of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas (LNG), from and to a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas and the import of LNG from other international sources are deemed to be consistent with the public

¹ The authority to regulate the imports and exports of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas, under section 3 of the NGA (15 U.S.C. §717b) has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FE in Redefinition Order No. 00-006.02 issued on November 17, 2014.

² UET's blanket authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada, granted in DOE/FE Order No. 3441 on May 29, 2014, extends through May 28, 2016. UET has filed its required monthly reports through May 31, 2015.

interest, and applications for such imports and exports must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by UET to import and export natural gas from and to Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This Order authorizes transactions with terms of no longer than two years.

ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the NGA, it is ordered that:

A. UET is authorized to import and export up to a combined total of 100 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada, pursuant to transactions that have terms of no longer than two years. This authorization shall be effective for a two-year term which began on February 1, 2015, and extends through January 31, 2017.

B. This natural gas may be imported and exported at any point on the border between the United States and Canada.

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the natural gas imports and exports authorized by this Order, UET shall file with the Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report indicating whether imports or exports of natural gas have been made. Monthly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no exports have been made, a report of “no activity” for that month must be filed. If imports and/or exports of natural gas have occurred, the report must give the following details: (1) for imports, the country of origin; (2) for exports, the country of destination; (3) the point(s) of entry and exit; (4) the volume in thousand cubic feet (Mcf); (5) the average purchase price of gas per million British thermal units (MMBtu) at the international border; (6) the name of the supplier(s); (7) the name of the U.S. transporter(s); (8) the estimated

or actual duration of the supply agreement(s); and (9) for imports, the geographic market(s) served (list State(s), U.S. Census Region(s), or general U.S. geographic area(s)).

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control No. 1901-0294)

D. The first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than August 30, 2015, and should cover the reporting period from July 23, 2015, through July 31, 2015.

E. All monthly report filings shall be made to U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Fossil Energy, Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, D.C. 20026-4375, Attention: Natural Gas Reports. Alternatively, reports may be e-mailed to ngreports@hq.doe.gov, or may be faxed to Natural Gas Reports (202) 586-6050.

F. UET's blanket authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada, which was granted in DOE/FE Order No. 3441 on May 29, 2014, is hereby vacated upon issuance of this Order.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on July 23, 2015.



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