

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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VECTOR ENERGY (U.S.A.) INC.) DOCKET NO. 92-118-NG
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ORDER AMENDING ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 699-A

On June 14, 1993, Vector Energy (U.S.A.) Inc. (Vector) filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy (DOE) to amend its existing two-year blanket authorization to import up to 30 Bcf of natural gas from Canada. Vector, a Delaware corporation with its headquarters in Wilmington, Delaware, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Vector Energy Inc., a Canadian corporation. The import authority was granted by DOE/FE Order No. 699 issued October 29, 1992. The first delivery of gas occurred November 1, 1992, making the authorization effective through October 31, 1994. Vector requests that the previous order be amended to increase the maximum volume to be imported to 44 Bcf.

Authorizing an increase in the volumes imported by Vector is consistent with the public interest requirement of section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b), as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L 102-486). Under section 3(c), the importation of natural gas from a nation with which the

United States has in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas is deemed to be consistent with the public interest and must be granted without modification or delay. There is a free trade agreement between the United States and Canada requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas.

ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, DOE/FE Order No. 699 (Order 699) issued October 29, 1992, is amended to authorize Vector Energy (U.S.A.) Inc., to import up to 44 Bcf of natural gas from Canada during the period November 1, 1992, through October 31, 1994. In all other respects Order 699 shall remain in full force and effect.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on June 25, 1993.

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