

modification or delay. The authorization sought by Distrigas to import LNG meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This blanket order authorizes transactions under contracts with terms of no longer than two years.

ORDER

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Pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, it is ordered that:

A. Distrigas Corporation (Distrigas) is authorized to import up to 100 billion cubic feet of liquefied natural gas (LNG), from any foreign supplier of LNG, for a period of two years beginning on the date of first import delivery after September 8, 1998. This LNG may be imported at any receiving facility in the United States, or its territories.

B. Within two weeks after deliveries begin, Distrigas shall provide written notification to the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import and Export Activities of the date that the first import of LNG authorized in Ordering Paragraph A above occurred.

C. With respect to the LNG imports authorized by this Order, Distrigas shall file with the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import and Export Activities, Fossil Energy, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, quarterly reports indicating whether imports of LNG have been made. Quarterly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports of LNG have been made, a report of "no

activity" for that calendar quarter must be filed. If imports have occurred, Distringas must report by month: (1) the total