

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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ANADARKO TRADING COMPANY) FE DOCKET NO. 94-57-NG
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ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION
TO EXPORT NATURAL GAS TO MEXICO

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 970

AUGUST 31, 1994

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST _____

On August 12, 1994, Anadarko Trading Company (ATC) filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy (DOE), under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA)^{1/} and DOE Delegation Order Nos. 0204-111 and 0204-127, for blanket authorization to export up to 108 Bcf of natural gas to Mexico. The term of the authorization would be for a period of two years beginning on the date of first delivery. ATC, a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Houston, Texas, will export the gas under spot and short-term sales arrangements. The requested authorization does not involve the construction of new pipeline facilities.

II. FINDING _____

The application filed by ATC has been evaluated to determine if the proposed 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 export of natural gas to a nation with which there is 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. The authorization sought by ATC to export natural gas to Mexico, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the

1/ 15 U.S.C. 717b. _____

public interest. This blanket order authorizes transactions under contracts with terms of no longer than two years.

ORDER

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

A. Anadarko Trading Company (ATC) is authorized to export to Mexico, at any point on the U.S.-Mexico border, up to 108 Bcf of natural gas over a two-year term beginning on the date of the first delivery.

B. Within two weeks after deliveries begin, ATC shall provide written notification to the Office of Fuels Programs, (OFP), Fossil Energy, Room 3F-056, FE-50, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, of the date that the first export delivery of natural gas authorized in Ordering Paragraph A above occurred.

C. With respect to the natural gas exports authorized by this order, ATC shall file with OFP, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, quarterly reports indicating whether exports of natural gas have been made. Quarterly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no exports have been made, a report of "no activity" for that calendar quarter must be filed. If exports have occurred, ATC must report monthly total volumes in Mcf and the average purchase price of gas per MMBtu at the international border. The reports shall also provide the details of each export transaction, including: (1) the name of the purchaser(s); (2) the estimated

or actual duration of the agreements; (3) the name of the U.S. transporter(s); (4) the point(s) of exit; (5) the geographic market(s) served; and, (6) whether the sales are being made on an interruptible or firm basis.

D. The first quarterly report required by Ordering Paragraph C of this Order is due not later than October 30, 1994, and should cover the period from the date of this Order until the end of the third calendar quarter, September 30, 1994.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on August 31, 1994.

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