

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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EL PASO ENERGY MARKETING COMPANY)	FE DOCKET NO. 93-40-NG
(Formerly Eastex)	95-120-NG
Hydrocarbons Inc. and El Paso)	95-123-NG
Gas Marketing))	95-101-NG
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ORDER AMENDING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS
AND VACATING AUTHORIZATION

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 1204

On December 21, 1995, Eastex Hydrocarbons Inc. (Eastex) was granted authorization in DOE/FE Order NO. 1137 (Order 1137) to import up to 200 Bcf of natural gas and to export up to 200 Bcf of natural gas from and to Mexico over a two-year term.^{1/}

On May 11, 1993, El Paso Gas Marketing (EPGM) was granted authorization in DOE/FE Docket No. 93-40-NG, Order No. 801 (Order 801) to import from Canada up to 75 Bcf of natural gas over a two-year term,^{2/} and on January 3, 1996, in DOE/FE Docket Nos.

95-123-NG and 95-101-NG, Order No. 1140 (Order 1140) EPGM was granted authorization to import up to 200 Bcf of natural gas and

1/ 1 FE 71,222.

2/ 1 FE 70,794.

3 / 1 FE 71,226.

to export up to 200 Bcf of natural gas from and to Mexico over a two-year term. 3/

On September 13, 1996, the Office of Fossil Energy of DOE was notified that Eastex and EPGM were merged into a new company, El Paso Energy Marketing Company (EPEM). Due to the merger, EPEM requests that the authorizations granted in Orders 1137 and 801 be amended to reflect this change and that Order 1140 be vacated. Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, the import/export authorizations granted in Orders 1137 and 801 are amended to substitute El Paso Energy Marketing Company for Eastex Hydrocarbons Inc. and El Paso Gas Marketing as the importer and exporter of natural gas. All terms and conditions in Orders 1137 and 801 remain in full force and effect. Further, the authorization to import and export natural gas granted by Order 1140 is hereby vacated.

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