

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

ENCOGEN FOUR PARTNERS, L.P.)
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FE DOCKET NO. 90-11-NG

ORDER VACATING LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 499-B

On April 30, 1991, Encogen Four Partners, L.P. (Encogen) was authorized by the Department of Energy (DOE) in DOE/FE Opinion and Order No. 499,¹ as amended by DOE/FE Order No. 499-A,² to import up to 14,800 MMBtu per day of Canadian natural gas over a 15-year period to fuel a 62-megawatt cogeneration plant in Buffalo, New York. The imported gas was purchased from Scepter Resources Limited (Scepter) under a November 4, 1989, contract. Electrical output produced by the facility is sold to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation.

In a letter dated July 21, 1999, DOE was notified Encogen consummated a contractual arrangement in 1998, with a U.S. gas supplier. The arrangement discontinued Encogen's need to import gas from Canada. Hence, the long-term natural gas purchase contract between Encogen and Scepter was terminated.

¹ 1 FE ¶ 70,443.

² 1 FE ¶ 70,709 (November 24, 1992).

Therefore, Encogen requests DOE to vacate the import authorization in Order 499, as amended.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, the authorization to import natural gas granted to Encogen Four Partners, L.P. in Order 499, as amended by Order 499-A, is hereby vacated.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on July 29, 1999.

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