

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

BP CANADA ENERGY MARKETING CORP.,)
(Formerly known as Amoco Canada Marketing)
Corp.))

FE DOCKET NO. 00-62-NG

ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS
FROM AND TO CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 1624

SEPTEMBER 13, 2000

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On September 7, 2000, BP Canada Energy Marketing Corp. (BP Canada) filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) 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 authorization to import and export up to a combined total of 500 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada over a two-year term beginning on September 24, 2000, and extending through September 23, 2002.^{2/} BP Canada is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BP Canada Energy Company, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BP Amoco Corporation. BP Amoco Corporation is a subsidiary of BP Amoco, plc., an integrated company engaged in the exploration, production, refining, transportation and marketing of oil, natural gas and other hydrocarbons. BP Canada's principal place of business is in Chicago, Illinois. BP Canada may act as a broker for U.S. purchasers, individual Canadian producers, Canadian producers groups, associations, and pipelines. BP Canada may also act on its own behalf as an importer of natural gas for sale to U.S. purchasers. The proposed authorization does not involve the construction of new pipeline facilities.

II. FINDING

The application filed by BP Canada has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import and 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),

^{1/} 15 U.S.C. § 717b.

^{2/} BP Canada's current blanket import authority granted by DOE/FE Order No. 1414 (2 FE ¶ 70,230), issued on September 21, 1998, expires on September 23, 2000.

the import or export of natural gas from or 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 BP Canada to import and export natural gas from and to Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, 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

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

A. BP Canada Energy Marketing Corp. (BP Canada) is authorized to import and export up to a combined total of 500 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada over a two-year term beginning on September 24, 2000, and extending through September 23, 2002.

B. This natural gas may be imported or exported at any point on the border between the United States and Canada.

C. With respect to the natural gas imports and exports authorized by this Order, BP Canada shall file with the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, reports indicating whether imports or exports of natural gas have been made. Quarterly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports or exports of natural gas have been made, a report of "no activity" for that calendar quarter must be filed. If imports or exports have occurred, BP Canada must report the following: (1) total monthly volumes in Mcf; (2) the average monthly purchase price of gas per MMBtu at the international border; (3) the name of the seller(s); (4) the name of the purchaser(s); (5) the

estimated or actual duration of the agreement(s); (6) the name of the U. S. transporter(s); (7) the point(s) of entry and exit; and (8) the geographic market(s) served (for imports, by State). For import transactions only, the report shall also include: (1) whether sales are being made on an interruptible or firm basis; and if applicable, (2) the per unit (MMBtu) demand/commodity/reservation charge breakdown of the contract price. [OMB No.: 1901-0294]

D. The reporting requirements described in Ordering Paragraph C of this Order shall be filed with the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, Fossil Energy, Room 3E-042, FE-34, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20585.

E. The first quarterly report required by Ordering Paragraph C of this Order is due not later than October 31, 2000, and should cover the period from September 24, 2000, until the end of the third calendar quarter, September 30, 2000.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on September 13, 2000.

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