

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

ALTAGAS MARKETING (U.S.) INC.)

FE DOCKET NO. 01-14-NG

ORDER AMENDING BLANKET AUTHORITY TO
IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS
FROM AND TO CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 1677-A

On June 13, 2001, AltaGas Marketing (U.S.) Inc. (AltaGas) 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 204-127, to amend its blanket import authorization to include authority to export up to 15 Bcf of natural gas to Canada. AltaGas is currently granted under DOE/FE Order No. 1677 (Order 1677) authority to import up to 15 Bcf of natural gas from Canada over a two-year term beginning on the date of first delivery.^{2/} AltaGas has not begun imports under this authorization.

^{1/} 15 U.S.C. § 717b.

^{2/} Order 1677 granted on April 26, 2001, is currently unpublished.

Under section 3 of the NGA, as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub L. 102-486), the import and export of natural gas from and 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 related applications must be granted without modification or delay.

AltaGas' application to amend its current import authority to include the export of natural gas to Canada meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest.

ORDER

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

A. DOE/FE Order No. 1677 (Order 1677) issued on April 26, 2001, is amended to authorize AltaGas Marketing (U.S.) Inc. to include the export up to 15 Bcf of natural gas to Canada over a two-year beginning on the date of first delivery of either the import or export.

B. All other terms and conditions contained in Order 1677 shall remain in full force and effect.

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