

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

PPG CANADA INC.)
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FE DOCKET NO. 02-99-NG

ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION
TO EXPORT NATURAL GAS
TO CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 1838

DECEMBER 30, 2002

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On December 20, 2002, PPG Canada Inc. (PPG) 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/}, for blanket authorization to export up to 4.2 Bcf per year of natural gas to Canada, over a two-year term beginning on January 1, 2003. PPG is a Canadian corporation with its principal place of business in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. PPG plans to export the natural gas on its own behalf for use in its industrial facilities and on behalf of its affiliates. This blanket Order authorizes transactions under contracts with terms of no longer than two years.

II. FINDING

The application filed by PPG 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 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 PPG to export natural gas 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.

^{1/} 15 U.S.C. § 717b. This authority is delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy pursuant to Redeleation Order No. 00-002.4 (January 8, 2002).

ORDER

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

A. PPG Canada Inc. (PPG) is authorized to export up to 8.4 Bcf of natural gas to Canada over a two-year term beginning on January 1, 2003, and extending through December 31, 2004.

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

C. With respect to the natural gas exports authorized by this Order, PPG shall file with the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, reports indicating whether 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 exports have occurred, PPG 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); and (7) the point(s) of exit. [OMB No.: 1901-0294]

D. The first quarterly report required by this Order is due not later than April 30, 2003, and should cover the period from January 1, 2003, until the end of the first calendar quarter, March 31, 2003.

E. The quarterly reports required by 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.

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