

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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ESSEX COUNTY GAS COMPANY )  
FE DOCKET NO. 92-140-NG )  
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ORDER VACATING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION  
TO IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 711-A

On November 13, 1992, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) granted blanket authorization to Essex County Gas Company (Essex) in DOE/FE Order No. 711 (Order 711)<sup>1/</sup> to import up to 4 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from Canada over a two-year term beginning on the date of first delivery. Order 711 has never been activated.

On December 9, 2002, Essex filed a request with FE requesting two-year blanket authority to import and export up to a total of 1 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada. Upon notification by FE regarding the status of Order 711, Essex subsequently filed a letter on December 20, 2002, requesting

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<sup>1/</sup> 1 FE ¶ 70,668.

that Order 711 be vacated since the requested blanket authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada will supersede the current authorization.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, Order No. 711, authorizing the import of natural gas from Canada, is hereby vacated.

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