

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY



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OMIMEX CANADA, INC.)
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FE DOCKET NO. 07-122-NG

ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO
EXPORT NATURAL GAS TO CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 2442

NOVEMBER 1, 2007

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On October 26, 2007, Omimex Canada, Inc. (Omimex) 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 3 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas to Canada. The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on November 1, 2007.² Omimex is a Texas corporation with its principal place of business in Fort Worth, Texas.

II. FINDING

The application 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 import and export of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas (LNG), from and to a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas and the import of LNG from other international sources are deemed to be consistent with the public interest and must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by Omimex 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 Order authorizes transactions 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 Redelegation Order No. 00.002.04C (January 30, 2007).

²/ Omimex's blanket authorization granted in DOE/FE Order No. 2216 on May 22, 2006, extends through October 31, 2007 (2 FE ¶ 71,257).

ORDER

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

A. Omimex is authorized to export up to 3 Bcf of natural gas to Canada pursuant to transactions that have terms of no longer than two years. This authorization shall be effective for a two-year term beginning on November 1, 2007, and extending through October 31, 2009.

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

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the natural gas exports authorized by this Order, Omimex shall file with the Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report indicating whether exports of natural gas have been made. Monthly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no exports have been made, a report of "no activity" for that month must be filed. If exports of natural gas have occurred, the report must give the following details: (1) country of destination; (2) the point(s) of exit; and (3) the total volume in thousand cubic feet (Mcf) at each export point for the month. [OMB No.: 1901-0294]

D. The first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than December 30, 2007, and should cover the reporting period of November 1, 2007 through November 30, 2007.

E. **Quarterly Reports:** With respect to the natural gas exports authorized by this Order, Omimex shall file with the Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, within 30 days following the last day of 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 exports of natural gas have been made, a report of “no activity” for that calendar quarter must be filed. If exports of natural gas have occurred, the report must give the details of each transaction, including: (1) the total monthly volumes in Mcf; (2) the average purchase price of gas per million British thermal units (MMBtu) at the international border; (3) the name of the supplier(s); (4) the name of the purchaser(s); (5) the estimated or actual duration of the supply agreement(s); (6) the name of the United States transporter(s); (7) the point(s) of exit; and (8) the geographic market(s) served. [OMB No.: 1901-0294]

F. The first quarterly report required by this Order is due not later than January 30, 2008, and should cover the reporting period for the fourth calendar quarter from November 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

G. Both the monthly and quarterly reports shall be filed with the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, FE-34, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, D.C. 20026-4375.

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