

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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HUNT OIL COMPANY OF CANADA, INC. )  
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FE DOCKET NO. 10-146-NG

ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO  
IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA  
AND VACATING PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

DOE/FE ORDER NO.2896

JANUARY 4, 2011

## I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On November 9, 2010, Hunt Oil Company of Canada, Inc. (Hunt Oil) 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)<sup>1</sup> for blanket authorization to import up to 6 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from Canada effective for a two-year term beginning on March 1, 2010.<sup>2</sup> On December 14, 2010, the applicant revised their application and requested that the blanket authorization be granted to import up to 10 billion Bcf of natural gas from Canada beginning on the date the order is signed for a two-year term, and vacating DOE/FE Order No. 2596 (Order 2596) effective the same date. DOE /FE takes note that the applicant has surpassed its current authorized import volume in Order 2596. Hunt Oil is a Canadian corporation with its principal place of business in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

## II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import 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 Hunt Oil to import natural gas from Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, meets the

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<sup>1</sup>/ This authority to regulate the imports and exports of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas, under section 3 of the NGA (15 U.S.C. §717b) has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FE in Redeleation Order No. 00-002.04D issued on November 6, 2007.

<sup>2</sup>/ Hunt Oil's blanket authorization to import natural gas from Canada granted in DOE/FE Order No. 2596 on December 18, 2008, extends through February 28, 2011.

section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This Order authorizes transactions with terms of no longer than two years.

### ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the NGA, it is ordered that:

A. Hunt Oil is authorized to import up to 10 Bcf of natural gas from 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 January 4, 2011, and extending through January 3, 2013.

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

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the natural gas imports authorized by this Order, U. S. Gypsum 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 imports of natural gas have been made. Monthly reports shall be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports have been made, a report of “no activity” for that month must be filed. If imports of natural gas have occurred, the report must give the following details: (1) the country of origin; (2) the point(s) of entry; (3) the volume in thousand cubic feet (Mcf); (4) the average purchase price of gas per million British thermal units (MMBtu) at the international border; (5) the name of the supplier(s); (6) the name of the U.S. transporter(s); (7) the estimated or actual duration of the supply agreement(s); and (8) the geographic market(s) served (list State(s), U.S. Census Region(s), or general U.S. geographic area(s)).

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control No. 1901-0294.)

D. The first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than February 28, 2011, and should cover the reporting period from January 4, 2011, through January 31, 2011.

E. All monthly report filings shall be made to U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Fossil Energy, Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, D.C. 20026-4375, Attention: Ms. Yvonne Caudillo. Alternatively, reports may be e-mailed to Ms. Caudillo at [yvonne.caudillo@hq.doe.gov](mailto:yvonne.caudillo@hq.doe.gov) or [ngreports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:ngreports@hq.doe.gov), or may be faxed to Ms. Caudillo at (202) 586-6050.

F. The blanket authorization issued to Hunt Oil Order 2596 on September 18, 2008, is hereby vacated effective January 4, 2011.

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