

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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DOCKET NO. 14-36-NG

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

DOE/FE ORDER NO.

MAY 1, 2014

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On April 1, 2014, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) 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 for blanket authorization to import up to 600 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from Canada. The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on November 1, 2013.² PG&E is a California corporation with its principal place of business in San Francisco, California.

Additionally, on August 22, 2013, PG&E was granted authorization in DOE/FE Order No. 3328 to export natural gas to Canada for a two-year term beginning on November 1, 2013, and extending through October 31, 2015. On April 1, 2014, however, PG&E notified DOE/FE that it had requested Order No. 3328 in error. PG&E therefore requests that DOE/FE vacate Order No. 3328, effective the date this Order is issued.³

II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import and/or 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 applications for such imports and exports must be granted without modification or

¹ The 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 Redelelegation Order No. 00-002.04E issued on April 29, 2011.

² PG&E's blanket authorization to import natural gas from Canada, granted in DOE/FE Order No. 3003 on August 19, 2011, extended through October 31, 2013.

³ PG&E has filed its required monthly reports through February 28, 2014.

delay. The authorization sought by PG&E to import natural gas from 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.

ORDER

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

A. PG&E is authorized to import up to 600 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 November 1, 2013, and extending through October 31, 2015.

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, PG&E shall file with the Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report indicating whether imports of natural gas have been made. Monthly reports must 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)).

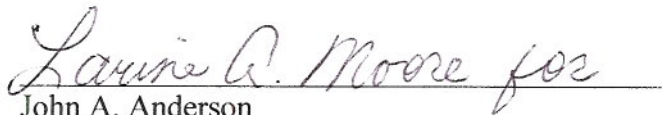
(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control No. 1901-0294)

D. As stated above, PG&E is in compliance with its monthly reporting requirements through February 28, 2014. Therefore, the first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than June 30, 2014, and should cover the reporting periods from March 1, 2014, through May 31, 2014.

E. All monthly report filings shall be made to U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Fossil Energy, Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, D.C. 20026-4375, Attention: Natural Gas Reports. Alternatively, reports may be e-mailed to ngreports@hq.doe.gov, or may be faxed to Natural Gas Reports (202) 586-6050.

F. PG&E's blanket authorization to export natural gas to Canada, issued on August 22, 2013, in DOE/FE Order No. 3328, is hereby vacated.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on May 1, 2014.



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