

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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IBERDROLA RENEWABLES, LLC

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FE DOCKET NO. 12-71-NG

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

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3127

JULY 24, 2012

## I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On June 12, 2012, Iberdrola Renewables, LLC (Iberdrola) 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 and export up to a combined total of 280 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico. The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on the date the order is signed. Iberdrola is an Oregon limited liability company with its principal place of business in Portland, Oregon.

Additionally, on March 20, 2010, Iberdrola Renewables, Inc. was granted authorization in DOE/FE Order 2792 to import and export natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico, to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) to Canada and Mexico by vessel and truck, and to import LNG from various international sources by vessel, for a two-year term beginning July 28, 2010, and extending through July 27, 2012. On July 13, 2012, Iberdrola notified DOE that Iberdrola Renewables, Inc. had changed its name to Iberdrola Renewables, LLC on April 2, 2012. As a result, Iberdrola requests that DOE/FE Order No. 2792 be vacated, effective the date this Order is issued.

## II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import and 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

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<sup>1</sup>/ 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 Redelegation Order No. 00-002.04E (April 29, 2011).

the import of LNG from other international sources are deemed to be consistent with the public interest and applications for such imports or exports must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by Iberdrola to import and export natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico, nations with which free trade agreements are 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. Iberdrola is authorized to import and export up to a combined total of 280 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico, pursuant to transactions that have terms of no longer than two years. This authorization shall be effective for a two-year term beginning on July 24, 2012, and extending through July 23, 2014.

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

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the natural gas imports and exports authorized by this Order, Iberdrola 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 or exports of natural gas have been made. Monthly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports and/or exports have been made, a report of “no activity” for that month must be filed. If imports and/or exports of natural gas have occurred, the report must give the following details: (1) for imports, the country of origin; (2) for exports, the country of destination; (3) the point(s) of entry and exit; (4) the volume in thousand cubic feet (Mcf); (5) the average purchase price of gas per million British thermal units (MMBtu) at the international

border; (6) the name of the supplier(s); (7) the name of the U.S. transporter(s); (8) the estimated or actual duration of the supply agreement(s); and (9) for imports, 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 August 30, 2012, and should cover the reporting period from July 24, 2012, through July 31, 2012.

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. Iberdrola Renewables, Inc.'s blanket authorization to import and export natural gas, and to import and export LNG, which was granted in DOE/FE Order No. 2792, issued on May 20, 2010, is hereby vacated upon issuance of this Order.

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