ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS FROM AND TO CANADA, AND TO IMPORT AND EXPORT LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS FROM AND TO CANADA BY TRUCK

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3254

MARCH 15, 2013
I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On January 30, 2013, FortisBC Energy Inc. (FortisBC) 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 and export natural gas from and to Canada and to import and export LNG from and to Canada by truck, up to a combined total of the equivalent of 25 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas. The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on March 1, 2013.\(^2\) FortisBC is a Canadian corporation with its principal place of business in Surrey, British Columbia.

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 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 or exports must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by FortisBC to import and export natural gas from and to Canada and to import and export LNG from and to Canada by truck, meets the section 3(c) criteria and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This Order authorizes transactions with terms of no longer than two years.

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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 Redesignation Order No. 00-002.04E issued on April 29, 2011.
2/ FortisBC's blanket authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada and to export LNG to Canada by truck granted in DOE/FE Order No. 2925 on March 8, 2011, extends through February 28, 2013.
ORDER

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

A. FortisBC is authorized to import and export natural gas from and to Canada, and to import and export LNG from and to Canada by truck up to a combined total of the equivalent of 25 Bcf of natural gas, pursuant to transactions that have terms of no longer than two years. This authorization shall be effective for a two-year term beginning on March 1, 2013, and extending through February 28, 2015.

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

C. This LNG may be imported by truck to any LNG receiving facility in the United States and its territories. This LNG may be exported by truck from any LNG receiving facility in the United States and its territories.

E. Monthly Reports: With respect to the natural gas imports and exports, and the imports and exports of LNG authorized by this Order, FortisBC 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 and/or exports of natural gas or LNG have been made. Monthly reports shall be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If imports and/or exports have not occurred, 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)).

If imports of LNG by truck have occurred, the report must give the following details of each LNG cargo: (1) the name of the U.S. receiving facility; (2) the country of origin; (3) the point(s) of entry; (4) the name(s) of the supplier(s)/seller(s); (5) the name(s) of the LNG transporter(s); (6) the volume in Mcf; (7) the price per MMBtu at the point of entry; (8) the duration of the supply agreement; and (9) the geographic market served (list State(s), U.S. Census Region(s), or general U.S. geographic area(s)).

If exports of LNG by truck have occurred, the report must give the following details of each LNG cargo: (1) the name of the U.S. departure facility; (2) the country of destination; (3) the point(s) of exit; (4) the name(s) of the supplier(s)/seller(s); (5) the name(s) of the LNG transporter(s); (6) the volume in Mcf; (7) the delivered price per MMBtu at the point of exit; and (8) the duration of the supply agreement.

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

F. The first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than April 30, 2013, and should cover the reporting period from March 1, 2013, through March 31, 2013.

G. 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: Natural Gas Reports. Alternatively, reports may be e-mailed to ngreports@hq.doc.gov, or may be faxed to Natural Gas Reports at (202) 586-6050.

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