## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT

PENTAGON ENERGY, L.L.C.	)	DOCKETNO 14 (2 CNC
(formerly WENTWORTH GAS MARKETING LLC)	)	DOCKET NO. 14-63-CNG

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO VACATE LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION TO EXPORT COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS TO FREE TRADE AGREEMENT NATIONS

DOE/FECM ORDER NO. 3515-A

JULY 26, 2021

Pentagon Energy, L.L.C. (Pentagon Energy) (formerly Wentworth Gas Marketing LLC) holds a long-term authorization issued by the Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM)<sup>1</sup> of the Department of Energy (DOE) under section 3(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA).<sup>2</sup> Under this order, Pentagon Energy is authorized to export compressed natural gas (CNG) produced from domestic sources in a volume equivalent to approximately 60 billion cubic feet per year (Bcf/yr) of natural gas from a proposed CNG compression and loading facility to be located at the Port of Freeport, Texas. The CNG may be exported for a term of 20 years to any country with which the United States currently has, or in the future will have, a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas.<sup>3</sup> DOE granted this authorization on October 7, 2014, in Order No. 3515.<sup>4</sup>

On June 17, 2021, Pentagon Energy submitted a request asking DOE to vacate Order No. 3515 (Request),<sup>5</sup> effective retroactively on May 31, 2021.

DOE finds good cause to grant Pentagon Energy's Request. Accordingly, pursuant to NGA section 3(c), Pentagon Energy's authorization granted in Order No. 3515 is

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Office of Fossil Energy changed its name to the Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management on July 4, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 717b(c). The authority to regulate the imports and exports of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas (LNG), under section 3 of the NGA (15 U.S.C. § 717b) has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FECM in Redelegation Order No. S4-DEL-FE1-2021, issued on March 25, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The United States currently has FTAs requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas with Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Oman, Panama, Peru, Republic of Korea, and Singapore. FTAs with Israel and Costa Rica do not require national treatment for trade in natural gas.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Pentagon Energy, L.L.C., DOE/FE Order No. 3515, Docket No. 14-63-CNG, Order Granting Long-Term Authorization to Export Compressed Natural Gas by Vessel from a Proposed CNG Compression and Loading Facility at the Port of Freeport, Texas, to Free Trade Agreement Nations (Oct. 7, 2014), amended by Response Statement Granting Request for Change in Control (June 16, 2017) (amending name of authorization holder to Pentagon Energy).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Email from Ryan T. Comerford, CATEC GASES, to DOE, Docket No. 14-63-CNG (June 17, 2021) (clarified by email on July 1, 2021).

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Issued in Washington, D.C., on July 26, 2021.

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