

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

SOCIETE GENERALE ENERGY INC.

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FE DOCKET NO. 17-21-NG

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

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3999

MAY 30, 2017

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On February 10, 2017, Societe Generale Energy Inc. (SGEI) 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 up to a combined total of 9 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico via pipeline.² The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on February 22, 2017.³ SGEI 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 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 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 SGEI to import natural gas from Canada and Mexico, nations with which free trade agreements requiring the national treatment for trade in natural gas are in effect,

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 Redelegation Order No. 00-006.02 issued on November 17, 2014.

² SGEI's application initially requested additional authorization to import LNG from Canada and Mexico by truck, to export LNG to Canada and Mexico by vessel and truck, and to import LNG from various international sources by vessel. SGEI revised its request via email on May 16, 2017, to only seek authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico.

³ SGEI's prior blanket authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada and Mexico, to import LNG from Canada and Mexico by truck, to export LNG to Canada and Mexico by vessel and truck, and to import LNG from various international sources by vessel, granted in DOE/FE Order No. 3593 on February 12, 2015, extended through February 21, 2017.

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. SGEI is authorized to import and export up to a combined total of 9 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 which began on February 22, 2017, and extends through February 21, 2019.

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

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the natural gas imports and exports authorized by this Order, SGEI shall file with the Office of Regulation and International Engagement, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report indicating whether imports and/or exports of natural gas 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)).

(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 June 30, 2017, and should cover the reporting period from February 22, 2017, through May 31, 2017.

E. All monthly report filings shall be made to U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Division of Natural Gas Regulation, Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, 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 at (202) 586-6050.

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