

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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FLINT HILLS RESOURCES, LP

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) FE DOCKET NO. 15-168-LNG  
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ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO VACATE LONG-TERM, MULTI-CONTRACT  
AUTHORIZATIONS TO EXPORT LNG IN ISO CONTAINERS  
OR IN BULK LOADED AT THE STABILIS LNG EAGLE FORD FACILITY  
IN GEORGE WEST, TEXAS, AND EXPORTED BY VESSEL TO  
FREE TRADE AGREEMENT NATIONS AND TO NON-FREE TRADE  
AGREEMENT NATIONS

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3809-A  
DOE/FE ORDER NO. 3829-A

In 2016, the Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy (DOE/FE) granted two long-term, multi-contract export authorizations to Flint Hills Resources, LP (FHR LP) in the above-captioned docket. First, on April 13, 2016, in Order No. 3809, DOE/FE authorized FHR LP to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) in ISO containers or in bulk loaded at the Stabilis LNG Eagle Ford, LLC Facility (Stabilis Facility) in George West, Texas, and exported by vessel to countries with which the United States has entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (FTA countries) in a volume equivalent to 3.62 Bcf/yr

of natural gas (0.01 Bcf/d). Second, on May 20, 2016, in Order No. 3829, DOE/FE authorized FHR LP to export LNG from the Stabilis Facility to non-FTA countries in the same non-additive volume of 3.62 Bcf/yr of natural gas. Both authorizations are for a 20-year term beginning on the earlier of the date of first export or three months from the respective date the authorizations were issued.

On December 13, 2018, FHR LP notified DOE/FE that it wishes to vacate its export authorizations granted in both DOE/FE Order Nos. 3809 and 3829.<sup>1</sup> FHR LP states that its affiliate, FHR LNG, LLC, sold its entire equity interest in Stabilis LNG Eagle Ford, LLC and exited the LNG marketing business. Because FHR LP no longer has ownership in the Stabilis Facility, nor any off-take arrangements with the current owner/operator, FHR LP states that it has no ability to utilize its export authorizations.<sup>2</sup>

DOE/FE finds good cause for granting FHR LP's request. Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, the authorizations granted to FHR LP in DOE/FE Order No. 3809 and 3829 are vacated, effective immediately.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on February 5, 2019.

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<sup>1</sup> Ltr. from Jeffrey E. Evans, Counsel for FHR LP, to Amy Sweeney, DOE/FE (Dec. 13, 2018).

<sup>2</sup> *See id.*