

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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PLUM ENERGY, LLC  
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FE DOCKET NO. 21-1-LNG

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

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 4658

FEBRUARY 11, 2021

## I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On January 4, 2021, Plum Energy, LLC (Plum Energy) filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA)<sup>1</sup> for blanket authorization to import and export liquefied natural gas (LNG) from and to Canada and Mexico by truck, in a combined total of 0.4 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas. The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term that began on January 17, 2021.<sup>2</sup> Plum Energy is a Washington limited liability company with its principal place of business in Issaquah, Washington.

## II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import and export arrangements meet 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 Plum Energy to import and export LNG by truck from and to Canada and Mexico, nations with which a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This Order authorizes transactions with terms of not greater than two years.

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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 Redesignation Order No. 00-002.04G issued on June 4, 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Plum Energy's blanket authorization granted in DOE/FE Order No. 4308, extended through January 16, 2021.

## ORDER

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

A. Plum Energy is authorized to import and export LNG from and to Canada and Mexico by truck, in a combined total volume equivalent of 0.4 Bcf of natural gas, pursuant to transactions that have terms of not greater than two years. This authorization shall be effective for a two-year term that began on January 17, 2021, and extends through January 16, 2023.

B. 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 departure facility in the United States and its territories.

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the imports and exports of LNG authorized by this Order, Plum Energy shall file with the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report indicating whether imports or exports of LNG have been made. Monthly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports or exports have been made, a report of “no activity” for that month must be filed.

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 thousand cubic feet (Mcf); (7) the price per million British thermal units (MMBtu) at the point of entry; (8) the duration of the supply agreement; and (9) the geographic market(s) 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 price per MMBtu at the point(s) of exit; and (8) the duration of the supply agreement.

(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 February 28, 2021, and should cover the reporting period from January 17, 2021, through January 31, 2021.

E. All monthly report filings on Form FE-746R shall be made to the U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Fossil Energy, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, according to the methods of submission listed on the Form FE-746R reporting instructions available at <https://www.energy.gov/fe/services/natural-gas-regulation>.

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