UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

SELKIRK COGEN PARTNERS, L.P.	FE DOCKET NO. 95-04-NG

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

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 1022

JANUARY 20, 1995

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On January 13, 1995, Selkirk Cogen Partners, L.P. (Selkirk), filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy (DOE), under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA)1/ and DOE Delegation Order Nos. 0204-111 and 0204-127, for blanket authorization to import from and to export to Canada up to a total of 57 Bcf of natural gas over a two-year period, beginning on the date of first import or export after January 20, 1995.2/ Selkirk is a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal place of business in Boston, Massachusetts. Selkirk owns and operates two cogeneration units, 79.9 and 252 megawatts, respectively, which are located at the General Electric Company plastics manufacturing plant in Selkirk, New York. The imported gas will be used as supplemental volumes required to operate Selkirk's cogeneration units. Volumes in excess of Selkirk's needs will be exported and sold to Canadian purchasers. The requested authorization would allow Selkirk to import and to export this gas under short-term and spot market transactions. The construction of new pipeline facilities would not be involved.

II. FINDING

The application filed by Selkirk has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import/export arrangement meets the

1/ 15 U.S.C. 717b.

2/ This is the expiration date of Selkirk's current blanket authorization to import and export natural gas from and to

Canada, granted by DOE/FE Opinion and Order No. 757 on December
22, 1992
(1 FE   70,737).

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 or export of natural gas from or to a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas is deemed to be consistent with the public interest and must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by Selkirk to import and export natural gas from and to Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This blanket order authorizes transactions under contracts with terms of no longer than two years.

ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, it is ordered that:

A. Selkirk Cogen Partners, L.P. (Selkirk) is authorized to import from and to export to Canada up to a total of 57 Bcf of natural gas, over a period of two years, beginning on the date of first import or export delivery after January 20, 1995. This natural gas may be imported and exported at any point on the U.S./Canada border.

B. Within two weeks after deliveries begin, Selkirk shall provide written notification to the Office of Fuels Programs (OFP), Fossil Energy, Room 3F-056, FE-50, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, of the date that the first import or export of natural gas authorized in

Ordering Paragraph A above occurred.

C. With respect to the natural gas imports and exports authorized by this Order, Selkirk shall file with OFP, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, quarterly reports indicating whether imports or exports of natural gas have been made. If no imports or exports have been made, a report of "no activity" for that calendar quarter must be filed. If imports or exports occur, Selkirk must report total monthly volumes in Mcf and the average purchase price of gas per MMBtu at the international border. The reports shall also provide the details of each import and export transaction, including: (1) the name of the seller(s); (2) the name of the purchaser(s); (3) the estimated or actual duration of the agreement(s); (4) the name of the U.S. transporter(s); (5) the point(s) of entry and exit; (6) the geographic market(s) served; (7) whether sales are being made on an interruptible or firm basis; and, if applicable, (8) the per unit (MMBtu) demand/commodity/reservation charge breakdown of the contract price.

D. The first quarterly report required by Ordering Paragraph C of this Order is due not later than April 30, 1995, and should cover the period from January 21, 1995, until the end of the first calendar quarter, March 31, 1995.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on January 20, 1995.

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