UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

EMPIRE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION FE DOCKET NO. 90-12-NG

ORDER VACATING AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS FROM AND TO CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 398-A

On June 7, 1990, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) granted blanket authorization to Empire Natural Gas Corporation (ENG) in DOE/FE Opinion and Order No. 398 (Order 398) (1 FE ¶ 70,320) to import up to 20 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from Canada and to export up to 20 Bcf of natural gas to Canada over a two-year period beginning on the date of first import or export delivery. This authorization has never been activated.

On November 24, 1998, ENG requested that the authorization granted in Order 398 be vacated.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, the authorization to import and export natural gas granted by Order 398 is hereby vacated.

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