

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
REDELEGATION ORDER NO. 00-002.04  
TO THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR FOSSIL ENERGY

1. DELEGATION. Pursuant to section 202(b) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (Public Law 95-91, 42 U.S.C. 7132(b)) and Secretary of Energy Delegation Order 00-002 provided to the Under Secretary for Energy, Science and Environment to perform the function and duties related to Fossil Energy, I delegate to the Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy authority to take the following actions:

1.1 In reference to the Great Plains project under section 19(g)(2) of the Federal Non nuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-577, as amended by Public Law 95-238)(the Federal Nonnuclear Act) and as provided by section 646(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (Public Law 95-91):

- A. Carry out all functions of the Contracting Officer as that term is defined in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of October 7, 1988, and amended as of October 31, 1988, February 16, 1994, and December 21, 1998, between the United States of America, Dakota Gasification Company, Dakota Coal Company and Basin Electric Power Cooperative, which was executed as part of the conveyance of the Department of Energy's (Department or DOE) interests in the Great Plains Coal Gasification Project in Beulah, North Dakota, to Dakota Gasification Company and Dakota Coal Company.
- B. Undertake all actions that are necessary and proper, on behalf of the United States of America, acting by and through the Secretary of Energy, to administer all agreements and contracts entered into by the Department of Energy in connection with the conveyance of the Department's interests in the Great Plains project.

In exercising the authority delegated by this order, the delegate may act without regard to the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, except section 207 of that Act (40 U. S. C. 5488), or any other law, as specifically provided for by section 19(g)(2) of the Federal Nonnuclear Act, supra.

1.2 In reference to the Naval Petroleum Reserves:

- A. Perform all functions vested in me by Subtitle B of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996 (Public Law 104-106) relating to the sale of Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1, including the finalization of equity.

- B. Perform the functions specified in 10 U.S.C. 7427 and 7428, and vested in me by the President of the United States in Executive Order No. 12929, in order to meet the goals and objectives of the Naval Petroleum Reserves.
- C. Perform all functions vested in me by law (10 U.S.C. 7420-7439, including 10 U.S.C. 7420 note) relating to the administration of and jurisdiction over the Naval Petroleum Reserves, except for condemnation proceedings and the execution of procurement contracts with non-Governmental entities affecting such Reserves.
- D. Perform all duties and responsibilities required by the Unit Plan Contract between the United States of America and Chevron U.S.A., Inc., numbered Nod-4219, dated June 19, 1944, as amended; the Amendatory and Supplemental Agreement, between the same parties, numbered Nod-8477, dated December 22, 1948, as amended; and the Agreement to Terminate the Unit Plan Contract, between the same parties, dated February 5, 1998.
- E. Perform all duties and responsibilities relative to the disposition of the United States share of petroleum produced from the Naval Petroleum Reserves to or for the Department of Defense and the Strategic Petroleum Reserve pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 7430(k) and (l).

1.3 In reference to the regulation of imports and exports of natural gas:

- A. Perform the functions vested in me by sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act to regulate natural gas under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (15 U.S.C. 717b):
  - 1. Consistent with the authority delegated by this Order, the Assistant Secretary may attach such terms and conditions to import and export authorizations as the Assistant Secretary shall determine to be appropriate.
  - 2. The authority delegated by this Order does not include the authority to approve the construction and operation of particular facilities, the site at which such facilities shall be located, and, with respect to natural gas that involves the construction of new domestic facilities, the place of entry for imports or exit for exports, except the Assistant Secretary is authorized to disapprove the construction and operation of particular facilities, the site at which such facilities shall be located, and, with respect to natural gas that involves the construction of new domestic facilities, the place of entry for imports or exit for exports.

- B. Establish and review priorities for the curtailment of natural gas pursuant to the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717), sections 401, 402, and 403 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-621, 15 U.S.C. 3391-3393); and consult with the Deputy Secretary concerning energy emergency-related curtailment policy guidance, as necessary or appropriate.
- 1.4 In reference to fuel use under the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act (FUA), (Public Law 95-620, 42 U.S.C. 8301 et seq.) as amended:
- A. Monitor compliance with the prohibition against the construction of new powerplants without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source, pursuant to section 201 of the FUA; grant or deny exemptions from such prohibition, pursuant to sections 211 through 214 of FUA; issue prohibitions against the use of oil or natural gas to certifying existing electric powerplants under section 301 of FUA; grant or deny exemptions to certifying existing electric powerplants under sections 311 through 314 of FUA; and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to perform any of the above functions pursuant to section 701 of FUA.
  - B. Issue notices of effectiveness, modification or rescission to coal conversion orders issued pursuant to section 2 of the Energy Supply and Environmental Coordination Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-319, 15 U.S.C. 791 et seq.) as amended.
- 1.5 In reference to electric power regulations under the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r)).
- A. Investigate and determine, upon the Assistant Secretary's own motion or the request of any State commission, the cost of production or transmission of electric energy by means of facilities that are subject to the jurisdiction defined by section 201 of the Federal Power Act, as the Assistant Secretary determines is necessary or appropriate to perform his functions, pursuant to the provisions of section 206(b) of the Federal Power Act.
  - B. Conduct investigations regarding the generation, transmission, distribution, and sale of electric energy, however produced, throughout the United States and its possessions, including the generation, transmission, distribution, and sale of electric energy by any agency, authority or instrumentality of the United States, or by any State or municipality or other political subdivision of a State, as the Assistant Secretary determines is necessary or appropriate to perform his functions, pursuant to section 311 of the Federal Power Act.

- C. Regulate the export of electric energy to a foreign country, pursuant to the provisions of sections 202(e) and 202(f) of the Federal Power Act; and authorize the construction, connection, operation and maintenance of facilities, at the borders of the United States, for the transmission of electric energy between the United States and a foreign country, pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 10485, as amended by Executive Order No. 12038.
- 1.6 In reference to the former Federal Inspector for the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System, perform the functions and authorities transferred to me by section 3012(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-486). In exercising the authority delegated by this Order, the Assistant Secretary shall be governed by the policies set forth in the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Act of 1976 and in other authority transferred from the Federal Inspector, and, to the extent not inconsistent with the transferred authority, by the rules and regulations of the Department of Energy and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Secretary or the Secretary's delegate(s).
  - 1.7 Participate in any proceeding before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 405 of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7175), or in any proceeding before any Federal or State agency or commission whenever such participation is related to the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary.
  - 1.8 Formulate and establish enforcement policy, initiate and conduct investigations, conduct conferences, administrative hearings and public hearings, prepare required reports, issue orders, and take such other action as may be necessary or appropriate to perform the functions in paragraphs 1.7 and 1.8.
  - 1.9 Establish, alter, consolidate or discontinue such organizational units or components within assigned organizational elements as deemed to be necessary or appropriate
    - A. In exercising this authority, or as re delegated pursuant thereto, delegates will be limited by approved budgets, staffing level allocations, and Senior Executive Service and other executive resource position allocations. Organizational changes shall not be announced or implemented until appropriate union coordination and other pre-release clearances have been obtained.
    - B. This authority does not include approval of additional, deletion, or transfer of mission and functions of or between Departmental Headquarters , which authority is reserved to the Secretary.

- C. Heads of Departmental Headquarters may delegate the authority to alter or consolidate organizational elements further, in whole or in part, consistent with the terms of the Department of Energy Organization Act, to an official or officials one level below the Head of the Departmental Headquarters.
  - D. The authority to establish or discontinue organizational elements at the first or second level below the Departmental Headquarters may not be redelegated.
  - E. Acting Heads of Departmental Headquarters may not redelegate these authorities and may only establish, alter, consolidate or discontinue organizational units at the third level and below. During the tenure of an acting Head of a Departmental Headquarters, organizational units below the Head of Departmental Headquarters may not exercise redelegations granting the authority to alter or consolidate units.
2. RESCISSION. Delegation Orders 0204-111, 0204-127, 0204-153, 0204-164, 0204-171 and U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Mines memorandum of March 20, 1996 are hereby rescinded.
3. LIMITATION.
- 3.1 In exercising the authority delegated in this Order, a delegate shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the Department of Energy and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Secretary or delegate(s).
  - 3.2 Nothing in this Order precludes the Secretary or the Under Secretary for Energy, Science and Environment from exercising any of the authority delegated by this Order.
  - 3.3 Any amendments to this Order shall be in consultation with the Department of Energy General Counsel.
4. AUTHORITY TO REDELEGATE.
- 4.1 Except as prohibited by law, regulation, or this Order, the Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy may delegate this authority further, in whole or in part.
  - 4.2 Copies of redelegations and any subsequent redelegations shall be provided to the Office of Management and Operations Support, which manages the Secretarial Delegations of Authority system.

5. DURATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 5.1 All actions pursuant to any authority delegated prior to this Order or pursuant to any authority delegated by this Order taken prior to and in effect on the date of this Order are ratified and remain in force as if taken under this Order, unless or until rescinded, amended or superseded.
- 5.2 This Order is effective January 8, 2002.



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Under Secretary for Energy,  
Science and Environment