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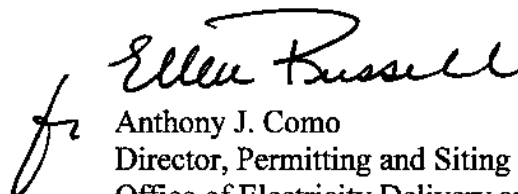
**RE: BNP Paribas Energy Trading GP; Amendment of Electricity Export
Authorization Order No. EA-319**

Dear Mr. Gollomp:

Attached is Order No. EA-319-A that amends the electricity export authorization issued to Fortis Energy Marketing & Trading GP on April 2, 2007, by changing the name of the authorized exporter to BNP Paribas Energy Trading GP.

Should you have any questions regarding this Order, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 586-5934.

Sincerely,


for Anthony J. Como
Director, Permitting and Siting
Office of Electricity Delivery and
Energy Reliability

Attachment



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BNP Paribas Energy Trading GP

OE Docket No. EA-319-A



Amendment to
Order Authorizing Electricity Exports to Canada

Order No. EA-319-A

March 10, 2010

BNP Paribas Energy Trading GP

Electricity Export Authorization Amendment

Order No. EA-319-A

I. BACKGROUND

Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C.824a(e))¹.

On April 2, 2007, DOE issued Order No. EA-319 authorizing Fortis Energy Marketing & Trading GP (FEMT) to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. For a five-year term. That Order will expire on April 2, 2012.

On May 18, 2009, FEMT notified DOE that, effective May 13, 2009, it had been acquired by Fortis Bank Belgium and changed its legal name to BNP Paribas Energy Trading GP (BNPP ET). On January 15, 2010, BNPP ET requested that it be authorized to export under its new name.

II. FINDING AND DECISION

DOE finds that the action requested by BNPP ET would have no effect on DOE's electric reliability determinations contained in Docket No. EA-319.

DOE has determined that this action is among those classes of actions not normally requiring preparation of an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement and, therefore, is eligible for categorical exclusion under paragraph A13 of Appendix A to Subpart D of Part 1021 of DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR Part 1021). Specifically, this categorical exclusion is provided for administrative, organization, or procedural orders. Documentation of the use of this categorical exclusion has been placed in this Docket.

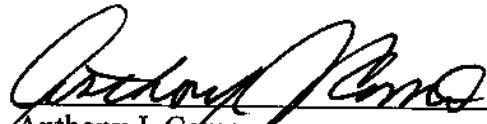
¹ The authority to administer the International Electricity Regulatory Program through the regulation of electricity exports and the issuance of Presidential permits has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability in Redelegation Order No. 00-002.10C issued on May 29, 2008.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above findings, the electricity export authorization issued to FEMT on April 2, 2009, in Order No. EA-319, is hereby amended by changing the name of the authorized exporter to BNPP ET.

All other terms and conditions of Order No. EA-319 remain unchanged.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on March 10, 2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony J. Como", written over a horizontal line.

Anthony J. Como
Director, Permitting and Siting
Office of Electricity Delivery and
Energy Reliability