DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Orders Issued Under Section 3 of The Natural Gas Act During August 2020

	FE Docket Nos.
BLUEWATER GAS STORAGE, LLC	20–76–NG
ENERGIA AZTECA X, S.A. DE C.V	20–78–NG
ARM ENERGY MANAGEMENT LLC	20–79–NG
ALASKA LNG PROJECT LLC	14–96–LNG
TECHGEN S.A. DE C.V	20–80–NG

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of orders.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy gives notice that during August 2020, it issued orders granting authority to import and export natural gas, and to import and export liquefied natural gas (LNG). These orders are summarized in the attached appendix and may be

found on the FE website at *https://www.energy.gov/fe/listing-doefe-authorizationsorders-issued-2020.*

They are also available for inspection and copying in the U.S. Department of Energy (FE–34), Division of Natural Gas Regulation, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Docket Room 3E–033, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586–9387. The Docket Room is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 15, 2020.

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APPENDIX

DOE/FE ORDERS GRANTING IMPORT/EXPORT AUTHORIZATIONS

4568	08/12/20	20–76–NG	Bluewater Gas Storage, LLC	Order 4543 granting blanket authority to import/ export natural gas from/to Canada.
4569	08/12/20	20–78–NG	Energia Azteca X, S.A. de C.V	Order 4544 granting blanket authority to export natural gas to Mexico.
4570	08/12/20	20–79–NG	ARM Energy Management LLC	Order 4545 granting blanket authority to import natural gas from Canada/Mexico.
3643–A	08/20/20	14–96–LNG	Alaska LNG Project LLC	Final Opinion and Order 3643-A granting long- term authority to export LNG to Non-Free
4571	08/26/20	20–80–NG	Techgen S.A. de C.V	Trade Agreement Nations. Order 4571 granting blanket authority to export natural gas to Mexico.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RC11-6-010]

North American Electric Reliability Corporation; Notice of Staff Review of Enforcement Programs

Commission staff coordinated with the staff of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) to conduct the annual oversight of the Find, Fix, Track and Report (FFT) program, as outlined in the March 15, 2012 Order,¹ and the Compliance Exception (CE) Program, as proposed by NERC's September 18, 2015 annual Compliance Filing.² The Commission supported NERC's plan to coordinate with Commission staff to review the same sample of possible violations, thereby reducing the burden on the Regional Entities of providing evidence for two different samples. Furthermore, NERC and Commission staff agreed to exclude the Florida Reliability Coordinating Council Regional Entity (FRCC) from the survey, reducing the burden on FRCC as it continued toward a planned and approved termination of its responsibilities as a Regional Entity by June 30, 2019.

Commission staff reviewed a sample of 24 FFT possible violations out of 102 FFT possible violations posted by NERC between October 2018 and September 2019 and a sample of 38 CE instances of noncompliance out of 957 CE instances of noncompliance posted by NERC between October 2018 and September 2019.

Commission staff believes that the FFT and CE programs are meeting expectations, with one minor observation. Specifically, Commission staff identified one CE with an incomplete description of the noncompliance. Sampling for the 2019 program year indicated that the Regional Entities appropriately included all 62 of the sampled possible violations in the FFT and CE programs, and that all 62 of the sampled FFTs and CEs have been adequately remediated. Commission staff's sample analysis indicated a decreasing number of documentation concerns, particularly with regard to the clear identification of root cause in the FFT and/or CE postings. Specifically, the identification of root cause in FFTs and CEs has improved significantly over the past five years, moving from 5 percent missing an

¹North American Electric Reliability Corp., 138 FERC [[61,193, at P 73 (2012) (discussing Commission plans to survey a random sample of FFTs submitted each year to gather information on how the FFT program is working).

² North American Electric Reliability Corp., Docket No. RC11–6–004, at 1 (Nov. 13, 2015) (delegated letter order) (stating "NERC's intention to combine the evaluation of Compliance Exceptions with the annual sampling of FFTs to further streamline oversight of the FFT and compliance exception programs").