

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
HYDROCARBONS AND GEOTHERMAL ENERGY OFFICE

VISTA ENERGY MARKETING, L.P.)
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DOCKET NO. 26-26-NG
DOCKET NO. 24-69-NG

ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA AND
VACATING PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

DOE/HGEO ORDER NOS. 5408 AND 5152-A

APRIL 16, 2026

I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On March 13, 2026, Vista Energy Marketing, L.P. (Vista Energy Marketing) filed an application (App.) with the Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office (HGEO)¹ of the Department of Energy (DOE) under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA)² for blanket authorization to import up to a combined total of 6 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from Canada by pipeline.³ The applicant requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on May 1, 2026.⁴ Vista Energy Marketing is a Texas limited partnership with its principal place of business in Houston, Texas.

Previously, on August 16, 2024, DOE granted Vista Energy Marketing authorization in DOE/FECM Order No. 5152 to import up to a combined total of 3 Bcf of natural gas from Canada, for a two-year term beginning on September 20, 2024, and extending through September 19, 2026.

On March 13 and 20, 2026, Vista Energy Marketing requested that DOE vacate its existing authorization in DOE/FECM Order No. 5152, effective May 1, 2026, to be concurrent with the issuance of the new authorization it has requested.⁵

II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import arrangement meets the 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 and

¹ The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) changed its name to the Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (FECM) on July 4, 2021. Subsequently, on November 20, 2025, FECM changed its name to the Hydrocarbons and Geothermal Energy Office (HGEO). DOE uses the acronym in effect at the time of each order or action discussed herein.

² Authority to regulate the imports and exports of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas, under section 3 of the NGA has been delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FECM (now the Assistant Secretary for HGEO) in Redelegation Order No. S4-DEL-FE1-2023, issued on April 10, 2023.

³ See Vista Energy Marketing, L.P., Application for Blanket Authorization to Import Natural Gas From Canada, Docket No. 26-26-NG, at 1 (Mar. 13, 2026) [hereinafter App.].

⁴ Vista Energy Marketing's current blanket authorization, granted in DOE/FECM Order No. 5152, extends through September 19, 2026.

⁵ See App. at 2; see also Email from Luke Gottschalk to DOE (Mar. 20, 2026).

export of natural gas, including liquefied natural gas (LNG), from and to a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas and the import of LNG from other international sources are deemed to be consistent with the public interest, and applications for such imports and exports must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by Vista Energy Marketing to import natural gas from Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This Order authorizes transactions with terms of not greater than two years.

ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the NGA, it is ordered that:

A. Vista Energy Marketing is authorized to import up to a combined total of 6 Bcf of natural gas from Canada by pipeline, pursuant to transactions that have terms of not greater than two years. This authorization is effective for a two-year term that begins on May 1, 2026, and extends through April 30, 2028.

B. This natural gas may be imported by pipeline at any point on the border between the United States and Canada.

C. **Monthly Reports:** With respect to the imports authorized by this Order, Vista Energy Marketing shall file with the Office of Global Energy Security, within 30 days following the last day of each calendar month, a report on Form FE-746R indicating whether imports of natural gas have been made. Monthly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports have been made, a report of “no activity” for that month must be filed. If imports of natural gas have occurred, the report must provide the information specified for each applicable activity and mode of transportation, as set forth in the Guidelines for Filing Monthly Reports. These Guidelines are available at:

<https://www.energy.gov/hgeo/guidelines-filing-monthly-reports>.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control No. 1901-0294)

D. The first monthly report required by this Order is due not later than June 30, 2026, and should cover the reporting period from May 1, 2026, through May 31, 2026.

E. Vista Energy Marketing's blanket authorization to import natural gas from Canada, granted in DOE/FECM Order No. 5152 on August 16, 2024, is hereby vacated, effective May 1, 2026.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on April 16, 2026.

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