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Citigroup Energy Canada, ULC

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Rescission of Export Authorization

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I. BACKGROUND

The Department of Energy (the Department or DOE) regulates electricity exports from the United States to foreign countries in accordance with § 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. § 824a(e)) and regulations thereunder (10 C.F.R. §§ 205.300 et seq.). Sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 7151(b) and 7172(f)) transferred this regulatory authority, previously exercised by the now-defunct Federal Power Commission, to DOE.

An entity that seeks to export electricity must obtain an order from DOE authorizing it to do so. DOE issued Order No. EA-326 on May 17, 2007, authorizing Citigroup Energy Canada ULC to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term. The authorization was renewed for a ten-year term on July 13, 2012, in Order No. EA-326-A in July 2013.

On July 18, 2019, DOE received a notice from Citigroup Energy Canada, ULC (CEC) that it wishes to terminate its existing authorization to export electricity to Canada effective June 30, 2019.

II. COMPLIANCE

Upon the effective date of this Rescission Order, CEC shall no longer have authority to export electricity to Canada. However, this Rescission Order is being issued without prejudice and does not preclude CEC, upon proper application, from requesting authority to export electric energy again in the future. It should be noted that DOE requires at least sixty days to adequately process an application to export electric energy.

Obtaining a valid Order from DOE authorizing the export of electricity under section 202(e) of the FPA is a necessary condition before engaging in an export. Therefore, CEC must obtain a new authorization from DOE before engaging in the further export of electricity. Failure to obtain such an order before exporting may subject CEC to sanctions and penalties under the FPA. CEC should implement appropriate internal procedures to monitor the status of its electricity trading activities to ensure that it does not cause electricity to be exported in the absence of a valid order.

III. ORDER

Based on the above and pursuant to section 202(e) of the FPA and the Rules and Regulations issued thereunder (10 C.F.R. §§ 205.300 et seq.), the electricity export authorization issued to CEC, in Order No. EA-326-A on July 13, 2012, is hereby rescinded, effective on the date noted below.
Signed in Washington, D.C., on September 20, 2019.

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