

DOE/FE ORDERS GRANTING IMPORT/EXPORT AUTHORIZATIONS

Order No.	Date issued	FE Docket No.	Authorization holder	Description of action
3040	12/02/11	11-147-NG	Gas Natural Caxitlan, S. de R.L	Order granting blanket authority to export natural gas to Mexico.
3041	12/07/11	11-127-LNG	Jordan Cove Energy Project, L.P.	Order granting long-term multi-contract authority to export LNG by vessel from the Jordan Cove LNG Terminal to Free Trade Agreement nations.
3042	12/07/11	11-144-NG	Irving Oil Terminals Inc	Order granting blanket authority to import natural gas from Canada.
3043	12/07/11	11-148-NG	Puget Sound Energy, Inc	Order granting blanket authority to import/export natural gas from/to Canada.
3044	12/08/11	11-143-NG	Maritimes NG Supply	Order granting blanket authority to import natural gas from Canada.
3045	12/09/11	11-138-NG	Tidal Energy Marketing Inc	Order granting blanket authority to import natural gas from Canada.
3046	12/09/11	11-149-NG	Macquarie Energy LLC	Order granting blanket authority to import/export natural gas from/to Canada/Mexico, to import LNG from Canada/Mexico by truck, to export LNG to Canada/Mexico by vessel, and to import LNG from various international sources by vessel.
3047	12/13/11	11-150-NG	Iberdrola Energy Services, LLC	Order granting blanket authority to import/export natural gas from/to Canada.
3048	12/13/11	11-153-LNG	Applied LNG Technologies USA L.L.C.	Order granting blanket authority to import LNG from various international sources by vessel, to import LNG from Canada/Mexico by truck and to export LNG to Canada/Mexico by vessel.
3049	12/22/11	11-156-LNG	Freeport LNG Development, L.P.	Order granting blanket authority to import LNG from various international sources by vessel.
3050	12/22/11	11-151-NG	NOCO Energy Corp.	Order granting blanket authority to import/export natural gas from/to Canada.
3051	12/22/11	11-152-NG	Devon Canada Marketing Corporation.	Order granting blanket authority to import natural gas from Canada.
3052	12/22/11	11-154-NG	Suncor Energy Marketing Inc ...	Order granting blanket authority to import/export natural gas from/to Canada.
3053	12/22/11	11-159-NG	Tidal Energy Marketing Inc	Order granting blanket authority to export natural gas to Canada
3054	12/22/11	11-160-NG	Tenaska Washington Partners, L.P.	Order granting blanket authority to import natural gas from Canada.
3048-A	12/22/11	11-153-LNG	Applied LNG Technologies, LLC.	Order amending DOE/FE Order No. 3048 to authorize export of LNG to Canada/Mexico by truck.
350-C	12/22/11	92-35-LNG 87-68-LNG	Yukon Pacific Company, L.P	Order vacating prior authorizations to export LNG.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Nationwide Categorical Waivers Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act)

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Limited Waivers.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is hereby granting a nationwide limited waiver of the Buy American requirements of section 1605 of the Recovery Act under the authority of Section 1605(b)(2), (iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in

sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality), with respect to Recovery Act projects funded by EERE for: (1) 5-25 Watt LED Candelabra Bulbs (includes Flame tip, bent tip, A19, S11, G16.5 or G25 clear bulb enclosure); (2) 140 Watt LED fixtures with 10 degree beams capable of illuminating from 100 feet, UL certified; and (3) 27 Watt round LED fixtures, producing 1 foot-candle at 242 feet distance, UL certified. This waiver expires May 1, 2012.

DATES: Effective Date: 1/10/2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christine Platt-Patrick, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), (202) 287-1553, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Mailstop EE-2K, Washington, DC 20585.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the authority of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act), Public Law 111-5, section 1605(b)(2), the head of a Federal

department or agency may issue a "determination of inapplicability" (a waiver of the Buy American provision) if the iron, steel, or relevant manufactured good is not produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality ("nonavailability"). The authority of the Secretary of Energy to make all inapplicability determinations was re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), for EERE projects under the Recovery Act, in Redelegation Order No. 00-002.01E, dated April 25, 2011. Pursuant to this delegation the Acting Assistant Secretary, EERE, has concluded that: (1) 5-25 Watt LED Candelabra Bulbs (includes Flame tip, bent tip, A19, S11, G16.5 or G25 clear bulb enclosure); (2) 140 Watt LED fixtures with 10 degree beams capable of illuminating from 100 feet, UL certified; and (3) 27 Watt round LED fixtures, producing 1 foot-candle at 242 feet

distance, UL certified, are not produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality. The above items, when used on eligible EERE Recovery Act-funded projects, qualify for the “nonavailability” waiver determination.

In order to utilize this waiver, grantees must have taken substantial steps towards procurement of these items by May 1, 2012.

EERE has developed a robust process to ascertain in a systematic and expedient manner whether or not there is domestic manufacturing capacity for the items submitted for a waiver of the Recovery Act Buy American provision. This process involves a close collaboration with the United States Department of Commerce National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP), in order to scour the domestic manufacturing landscape in search of producers before making any nonavailability determinations.

The MEP has 59 regional centers with substantial knowledge of, and connections to, the domestic manufacturing sector. MEP uses their regional centers to “scout” for current or potential manufacturers of the product(s) submitted in a waiver request. In the course of this interagency collaboration, MEP has been able to find exact or partial matches for manufactured goods that EERE grantees had been unable to locate. As a result, in those cases, EERE was able to work with the grantees to procure American-made products rather than granting a waiver.

Upon receipt of completed waiver requests for the three products in the current waiver, EERE reviewed the information provided and submitted the relevant technical information to the MEP. The MEP then used their network of nationwide centers to scout for domestic manufacturers. The MEP reported that their scouting process did not locate any domestic manufacturers for these exact or equivalent items.

In addition to the MEP collaboration outlined above, the EERE Buy American Coordinator worked with other manufacturing stakeholders to scout for domestic manufacturing capacity or an equivalent product for each item contained in this waiver. EERE also conducted significant amounts of independent research to supplement MEP’s scouting efforts, including utilizing the solar experts employed by the Department of Energy’s National Renewable Energy Laboratory. EERE’s research efforts confirmed the MEP findings that the goods included in this

waiver are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality.

The nonavailability determination is also informed by the inquiries and petitions to EERE from recipients of EERE Recovery Act funds, and from suppliers, distributors, retailers and trade associations—all stating that their individual efforts to locate domestic manufacturers for these items have been unsuccessful.

Specific technical information for the manufactured goods included in this non-availability determination is detailed below:

(1) 5–25 Watt LED Candelabra Bulbs (includes Flame tip, bent tip, A19, S11, G16.5 or G25 clear bulb enclosure.

LED Candelabra or medium base, outdoor use, dimmable, mercury free, 2700 and/or 3000 Kelvin Correlated Color Temperature (CCT), 80+ Color Rendering Index (CRI), 5–25 watt Flame tip, bent tip, A19, S11, G16.5 or G25 clear bulb enclosure. Domestic manufacturers are working to enter the market in the near future, however, production cannot yet meet the needs of current projects. EERE is committed to assisting grantees to complete projects while supporting domestic manufacturing—thus this waiver will expire May 1, 2012.

(2&3) 140 Watt LED fixtures with 10 degree beams capable of illuminating from 100 feet, UL certified; and 27 Watt round LED fixtures, producing 1 foot-candle at 242 feet distance, UL certified.

The new LED fixtures represent a relatively new, emerging technology that can provide comparable light output at substantially lower energy levels. As a new technology, the number of manufacturers, though growing, is somewhat limited. Domestic manufacturers are working to enter the market in the near future, however, production cannot yet meet the needs of current projects. EERE is committed to assisting grantees to complete projects while supporting domestic manufacturing—thus this waiver will expire May 1, 2012.

In light of the foregoing, and under the authority of section 1605(b)(2) of Public Law 111–5 and Redelegation Order 00–002–01E, with respect to Recovery Act projects funded by EERE, I hereby issue a “determination of inapplicability” (a waiver under the Recovery Act Buy American provision) for: (1) 5–25 Watt LED Candelabra Bulbs (includes Flame tip, bent tip, A19, S11, G16.5 or G25 clear bulb enclosure); (2) 140 Watt LED fixtures with 10 degree beams capable of illuminating from 100 feet, UL certified; and (3) 27 Watt round

LED fixtures, producing 1 foot-candle at 242 feet distance, UL certified. This waiver expires May 1, 2012.

Having established a proper justification based on domestic nonavailability, EERE hereby provides notice that on January 10, 2012, three (3) nationwide categorical waivers of section 1605 of the Recovery Act were issued as detailed *supra*. This notice constitutes the detailed written justification required by Section 1605(c) for waivers based on a finding under subsection (b).

This waiver determination is pursuant to the delegation of authority by the Secretary of Energy to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy with respect to expenditures within the purview of his responsibility. Consequently, this waiver applies to all EERE projects carried out under the Recovery Act.

Authority: Public Law 111–5, section 1605.

Issued in Washington, DC on January 10, 2012.

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Acting Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Nationwide Limited Public Interest Waiver Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act)

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of limited public interest waiver.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is hereby granting a nationwide limited waiver of the Buy American requirements of section 1605 of the Recovery Act under the authority of section 1605(b)(1) (amended public interest waiver), with respect to donated manufactured goods.

DATES: *Effective Date:* December 6, 2011.

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