UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

KAMINE/BESICORP CARTHAGE L.P.) FE DOCKET NO. 89-48-NG

ORDER VACATING LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 389-B

On March 28, 1990, Kamine/Besicorp Carthage L.P. (Kamine/Besicorp) was authorized by the Department of Energy (DOE) in DOE/FE Opinion and Order No. 389 (Order 389), ^{1/2} as amended by DOE/FE Opinion and Order No. 389-A (Order 389-A), ^{2/2} to import up to 14,200 Mcf per day and a total volume of 104 Bcf of Canadian natural gas over a 20-year term to fuel a 49.9 megawatt cogeneration plant in Carthage, New York. The imported gas was purchased from Renaissance Energy Ltd. (Renaissance) under a May 9, 1989, contract. Electrical output produced by the facility was sold to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NIMO).

On May 17, 1999, DOE was notified Kamine/Besicorp ceased selling power to NIMO on June 30, 1998. Hence, the long-term natural gas purchase contract between Kamine/Besicorp and

<u>1</u>/ 1 FE ¶ 70,309.

 $[\]underline{2}$ / Kamine/Besicorp originally proposed to import gas for its Carthage, New York, cogeneration plant using existing pipeline facilities. Subsequently, in Order 389-A, Kamine/Besicorp was authorized to import this gas using additional new facilities (1 FE ¶ 70,881, November 1, 1993).

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Renaissance was terminated by the parties. Given the termination of the underlying contract, Kamine/Besicorp requests DOE to rescind the import authorization in Order 389, as amended.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, the authorization to import natural gas granted to Kamine/Besicorp Carthage L.P. in Order 389, as amended by Order 389-A, is hereby vacated.

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