

171 FERC ¶ 61,069
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Neil Chatterjee, Chairman;
Richard Glick, Bernard L. McNamee,
and James P. Danly.

Magnum Gas Storage, LLC

Docket No. CP20-77-000

ORDER VACATING CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZATION IN PART

(Issued April 23, 2020)

1. On March 17, 2011, the Commission issued an order authorizing Magnum Gas Storage, LLC (Magnum) to construct and operate a natural gas storage facility consisting of four natural gas storage caverns, two brine disposal ponds, a 61.6-mile-long, 36-inch-diameter pipeline header, and other related facilities.¹
2. On March 4, 2020, Magnum filed a motion requesting that the Commission vacate, in part, the 2011 Certificate Order for portions of the project it no longer intends to construct.² Specifically, Magnum states that it does not plan to construct two natural gas storage caverns, one brine disposal pond, and other associated facilities.³ Magnum states that it has recently determined that it will be able to meet the expected demand for natural gas storage service without constructing two of the authorized storage caverns and that these two cavern locations may be used for non-jurisdictional purposes.⁴

¹ *Magnum Gas Storage, LLC*, 134 FERC ¶ 61,197, at P 7 (2011) (2011 Certificate Order). On November 17, 2016, the Commission amended the 2011 Certificate Order to relocate the natural gas storage caverns and associated facilities, and to add a new firm wheeling transportation service. *Magnum Gas Storage, LLC*, 157 FERC ¶ 61,114 (2016).

² Notice of Magnum's motion was published in the *Federal Register* on March 18, 2020. 85 Fed. Reg. 15,446. No motions to intervene or comments were filed.

³ Magnum Motion to Vacate at 2. The two remaining storage caverns each have a total capacity of 13.5 billion cubic feet (Bcf), consisting of 10.5 Bcf of working gas and 3 Bcf of base gas. *Id.* at 5-6.

⁴ Magnum states that the cavern locations may be used in the development of a hydrogen storage facility, which will be part of a larger renewable energy storage

3. In view of Magnum's request, we will vacate, in part, the authorizations granted in the 2011 Certificate Order.

The Commission orders:

The certificate authorization issued to Magnum in the 2011 Certificate Order is vacated, in part, as described above.

By the Commission.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

complex proposed by Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems and an affiliate of Magnum, Magnum Development. *Id.* at 2.