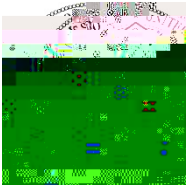


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Office of the Secretary

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Re: Liquefied Petroleum Gas Investigation, FTC File No. 091-0115

Dear Mr. Cary:

The Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Competition has been conducting a nonpublic investigation to determine whether Empire Gas Co., Inc. ("Empire"), Liquilux Gas Corp. ("Liquilux"), or others, have engaged or are engaging in unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, as amended, through various acts or practices, including, but not limited to, agreements to fix prices or allocate customers, exclusive dealing, or other conduct regarding liquefied petroleum gas or related products in Puerto Rico; and to determine whether Empire or Liquilux has engaged or is engaging in unlawful acquisitions in violation of Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18, as amended, or Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, as amended.

Upon further review of this matter, it now appears that no further action is warranted by the Commission at this time. Accordingly, the investigation has been closed. This action is not to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation has occurred. The Commission reserves the right to take such further action as the public interest may require.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark
Secretary