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Transco Rate Case Suspension Order (Docket No. RP18-1126-000)
On August 31, 2018 Transco filed a Section 4 general rate case proposed to be effective October 1, 2018 in Docket No. RP18-1126. On September 28, 2018, the FERC issued an “Order Accepting Tariff Records, Accepting and Suspending Tariff Records, Subject to Refund, and Establishing Hearing and Settlement Judge Procedures” (“September 28 Order”) in response to Transco’s rate case filing. The September 28 Order, among other things, accepts and suspends, subject to refund, the proposed tariff records listed in Appendix A, which represent rate increases, to be effective March 1, 2019. In addition, the September 28 Order accepts without suspension the proposed tariff records listed in Appendix B, which represent rate reductions to be effective October 1, 2018, as requested. The proposed rate revisions are further subject to the outcome of a hearing and settlement judge procedures included in the September 28 Order, as described further below.

Pursuant to the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure and the regulations under the NGA, a public hearing will be held to determine the justness and reasonableness of Transco’s proposed tariff rates, however, the hearing will be held in abeyance to provide time for settlement judge procedures. On October 9, 2018, the FERC issued an “Order of Chief Designation Settlement Judge,” which appointed Judge Patricia French as the Settlement Judge for Transco’s Rate Case. On October 16, 2018, the Commission issued an “Order Scheduling Settlement Conference” stating that the first settlement conference is set for 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 7, 2018.

Rate Schedule LNG Fuel Tracker (RP19-9-000)
On October 1, 2018, Transco submitted revised tariff records in order to file a determination of its fuel retention percentage applicable to Rate Schedules LG-A, LNG and LG-S. The revised tariff records are proposed effective November 1, 2018. On October 26, 2018, the Commission approved the revised tariff records, as proposed.

Atlantic Sunrise Project (Docket No. CP15-138, et al.)
On October 4, 2018, FERC granted Transco’s request to place the Atlantic Sunrise Project facilities into service. On October 9, 2018, Transco provided notice to the Commission that the facilities were placed into service on October 6, 2018.

Abandonment of North Padre Island Offshore Lateral and North Padre Island Block 956 “B” Platform (Docket No. CP18-260-000)
On October 24, 2018, the Commission approved Transco’s April 23, 2018 application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act to abandon (i) approximately 21.6 miles of 24-inch pipeline lateral extending from the North Padre Island Block 956 “B” Platform, to approximately 3.5 miles from shore, offshore Texas and (ii) the North Padre Island Block 956 “B” Platform.
Penalty Revenue Sharing Report (Docket No. RP19-136-000)
On October 29, 2018, Transco filed a report of the penalty amount collected during the two-year period ending July 31, 2018 that was distributed to shippers pursuant to Section 54 of the General Terms and Conditions of Transco’s tariff. The amount distributed totaled $161,371.

Rate Schedule GSS & LSS Tracker Filing (RP19-163-000)
On October 31, 2018, Transco filed revised tariff records in order to track third party rate changes attributable to storage services purchased from Dominion Transmission, Inc. The effective date of the revised LSS and GSS rates is November 1, 2018.

Rate Schedule LSS & SS-2 Tracker Filing (RP19-166-000)
On October 31, 2018, Transco filed revised tariff records in order to track third party rate changes attributable to storage services purchased from National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation Transmission, Inc. The effective date of the revised LSS and SS-2 rates is November 1, 2018.

Rate Schedule LSS & SS-2 Tracker Filing (RP19-208-000)
On October 31, 2018, Transco filed revised tariff records in order to track third party rate changes attributable to storage services purchased from National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation Transmission, Inc. The effective date of the revised LSS and SS-2 rates is November 1, 2017, April 1, 2018 and May 1, 2018.