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Request for Waiver of Blanket Certificate Cost Limits (Docket No. CP22-485-000)

On July 5, 2022, Transco requested a waiver of the Blanket Certificate cost limits pursuant to 157.208(g) of the Commission’s regulations. In August 2021, Transco began construction under its Blanket Certificate to replace 24-inch diameter pipe in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. At the time of construction, the estimated project cost was \$9.06 million. However, due to unanticipated construction contractor cost increases, the current estimated cost of the project is \$16.77 million, which exceeds the cost limits under the Blanket Certificate (\$13.1 million). In a Letter Order on July 20, 2022, the Commission granted Transco’s request for waiver.

RP22-1060-000 EGTS Refund

On June 30, 2022, Transco received a refund from Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage under Docket No. RP22-1026-000 for service rendered to Transco under EGTS’s Rate Schedule GSS. Transco purchases storage service from EGTS under Rate Schedule GSS in order to provide service under its Rate Schedules GSS and LSS. On July 20, 2022, Transco refunded the amount received from EGTS, with interest, per the provisions of Section 4.1 (d) of Rate Schedule GSS and Section 4.1 (d) of Rate Schedule LSS.

Southside Reliability Enhancement Project – Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (Docket No. CP-22-461-000)

On July 25, 2022, FERC Staff issued a Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (“EIS”) for Transco’s Southside Reliability Enhancement Project. FERC Staff will prepare an EIS that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Southside Reliability Enhancement Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Transco in Virginia and North Carolina. FERC will use this EIS in its decision-making process to determine whether the Project is in the public convenience and necessity. Comments are due on or before 5:00pm Eastern Time on August 24, 2022.

Regional Energy Access Expansion Project Final EIS (Docket No. CP21-94-000)

On July 29, 2022, FERC Staff issued a Final EIS for the Regional Energy Access Expansion Project. The Final EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed Project, with the mitigation measures recommended in the EIS, would result in some adverse environmental impacts; however, with the exception of climate change impacts, those impacts would not be significant.

Rate Schedule S-2 Tracker Filing (Docket No. RP22-1079-000)

On July 29, 2022, Transco filed a revised tariff record in order to track rate changes attributable to storage services purchased from Texas Eastern Transmission, LP under its Rate Schedule X-28 which are included in the rates and charges payable under Transco’s Rate Schedule S-2. The effective date of the proposed rate change is August 1, 2022.