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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. Accordingly, a settlement judge will be appointed within fifteen days of the September 28 Order. Thirty days thereafter, the settlement judge will report on the status of the settlement discussions. Based on this report, the Chief Judge will either allow for continued settlement discussions or assign the case to a presiding judge for an evidentiary hearing.

### **Priority of Service (Docket No. RP18-314-000)**

On September 7, 2018, the Commission issued an Order Following Technical Conference accepting Transco’s January 2, 2018 filing of *pro forma* tariff records intended to enhance, clarify, and update the no-notice and priority of service rights under its tariff. In the Order, Transco is directed to file actual tariff records reflecting the revised tariff provisions at least 30 days but not more than 60 days in advance of the date that the revised tariff provisions will become effective.

### **Market Area Pooling Changes (Docket No. RP18-1045-000)**

On September 20, 2018, the Commission approved revised tariff records that allow Transco to begin assessing transportation and fuel charges on pooled quantities that are delivered out of the pooling points in Zones 5 and 6 effective October 1, 2018.

### **Annual Cash-Out Report (Docket No. RP18-1221-000)**

On September 26, 2018, Transco filed its Annual Cash-Out Report for the period August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018. As of the end of July 31, 2018 on a cumulative basis, Transco’s costs exceeded its revenues by approximately \$49.97 million. In accordance with Section 15 of the General Terms and Conditions of Transco’s tariff, Transco will carry forward the net under recoveries to the subsequent annual billing period and may offset such net under recoveries against any future net over recoveries that may occur in subsequent annual billing periods.