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Transco Technical Working Group

The next TWG meeting is scheduled to be held on December 21, 2021, at 1pm CST, subject to cancellation due to lack of sub-committee meetings.

Cash-Out Settlement Refund (Docket Nos. RP20-614-000 and RP20-618-000)

On November 10, 2021, in accordance with Commission Regulations and the approved Stipulation and Agreement in Docket No. RP20-618-000, Transco submitted refunds to its customers and entities that are or have been parties to Operational Balancing Agreements (“OBAs”) with Transco, with interest, the total amount, if any, collected since November 1, 2020 pursuant to the Cash-Out Surcharge Rate established in Docket No. RP21-214-000 in excess of the amounts that would have been collected under the initial Original Under-Recovery Balance.

Transco also submitted refunds to customers and entities that are or have been parties to OBAs with Transco, with interest, the total amount, if any, collected since September 1, 2020, pursuant to the calculation of Transco’s cash-out prices set forth in Transco August 31, 2020 filing to place into effect on September 1, 2020 the tariff records suspended in the Commission’s March 30, 2020 “Order Accepting and Suspending Tariff Records, Subject to Refund, and Establishing Hearing Procedures” in Docket No. RP20-614-000, in excess of the amounts that would have been collected under the Settlement Pricing.

On November 19, 2021, Transco refunded the seven interstate pipeline parties, with interest, that Transco discovered were not refunded the entire amount of the cash-out surcharge. The refund covers the period of November 1, 2020, to September 30, 2021.

NAESB Filing (Docket No. RP22-296-000)

On November 12, 2021, Transco submitted its Order No. 587-Z Compliance filing pursuant to the FERC’s Final Rule issued on July 15, 2021, in Docket No. RM96-1-042. The revised tariff record is proposed to become effective on June 1, 2022.

Rate Schedule GSS, LSS, SS-2 Tracker Filing (Docket No. RP22-84-000)

On October 26, 2021, Transco filed revised tariff records in order to track third party rate changes attributable to storage services purchased from Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage, Inc. and National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation. The effective date of the revised Rate Schedule GSS, LSS and SS-2 rates is November 1, 2021. On November 16, 2021, the Commission accepted the tariff records, as requested.

Zones 4 & 5 Pooling Filing (Docket No. RP22-137-000)

On October 29, 2021, Transco filed revised tariff records to implement the Zones 4 and 5 pooling changes described in Article VI, Section D of the Stipulation and Agreement filed by Transco on May 26, 2021, in Docket Nos. RP20-614-000 and RP20-618-000, resolving all issues in those proceedings. The Commission approved the Stipulation and Agreement, without modification, on July 30, 2021. On November 17, 2021, the Commission accepted the revised tariff records, as requested.

GSS and LSS Fuel Tracker (Docket No. RP22-323-000)

On November 15, 2021, Transco submitted its Rate Schedules GSS and LSS Tracking filing to track the fuel retention percentage attributable to storage service purchased from Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage under its Rate Schedule GSS, which is included in Transco's Rate Schedules GSS and LSS fuel retention percentages. The proposed effective date is November 1, 2021.

Leidy South Project Additional Interim Service (Docket No. CP19-494-000)

On November 17, 2021, Transco notified the Commission that it desired to modify its September 30, 2021, request for authorization, as supplemented on October 14, 2021, to place in service the Compressor Station 607, 610, and 620 facilities authorized under the Leidy South Project and commence additional interim service using those facilities. Specifically, Transco requested authorization to increase the flow, from MARC 1 to the River Road Interconnect, by 75,000 dth/day from the currently authorized 255,000 dth/day. On November 18, 2021, the Commission approved Transco's request effective December 1, 2021.

Leidy South Project Capacity Lease Amendment (Docket No. CP19-494-000)

On November 17, 2021, National Fuel filed with the Commission an executed amendment to the Capacity Lease Agreement between National Fuel and Transco for the Leidy South Project. The Capacity Lease amendment would allow Transco to accept a partial quantity of the Lease Capacity on December 1, 2021. On November 26, 2021, the Commission approved the Capacity Lease amendment.

Southside Reliability Enhancement Project (Docket No. PF22-1)

On October 19, 2021, the Director of the Office of Energy Projects issued a letter approving Transco's October 1, 2021, request to commence the FERC pre-filing process for the proposed Southside Reliability Enhancement Project. Transco plans to construct a new 30,500 horsepower compressor station (Compressor Station 168) in Mecklenburg County, Virginia; install a 16,000 horsepower compressor unit at the existing Compressor Station 166 in Pittsylvania County, Virginia; install piping modifications at the existing Compressor Station 155 in Davidson County, North Carolina; and modify three existing metering and regulating stations in Hertford, Iredell, and Northampton Counties, North Carolina.