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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER22-1065-000]

Rabbitbrush Solar, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Rabbitbrush Solar, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is March 9, 2022.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic

service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP22-559-000.

Applicants: Chesapeake Energy Marketing, L.L.C., Continental Resources, Inc.

Description: Joint Petition For Temporary Waiver, et al. of Chesapeake Energy Marketing, L.L.C., et al.

Filed Date: 2/16/22.

Accession Number: 20220216-5106.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/28/22.

Docket Numbers: RP22-560-000.

Applicants: Vector Pipeline L.P.

Description: Vector Pipeline L.P. submits Annual Report of Operational Purchases and Sales.

Filed Date: 2/16/22.

Accession Number: 20220216-5107.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/28/22.

Docket Numbers: RP22-561-000.

Applicants: Rover Pipeline LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Rover 2020 AMPS Filing to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 2/16/22.

Accession Number: 20220216-5196.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/28/22.

Docket Numbers: RP22-562-000.

Applicants: Rover Pipeline LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Rover 2021 AMPS Filing to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 2/16/22.

Accession Number: 20220216-5199.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/28/22.

Docket Numbers: RP22-563-000.
Applicants: Midcontinent Express Pipeline LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Removal of Expiring Targa Agreement to be effective 4/1/2022.

Filed Date: 2/17/22.

Accession Number: 20220217-5014.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/1/22.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP21-1001-005.

Applicants: Texas Eastern Transmission, LP.

Description: Compliance filing: TETLP Rate Case Compliance Filing with EPC 2-2022-RP21-1001-000 to be effective 2/1/2022.

Filed Date: 2/16/22.

Accession Number: 20220216-5163.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/22.

Any person desiring to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp>) by querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings

can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-reg.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD22-7-000]

Oil Pipeline Capacity Allocation Issues and Anomalous Conditions

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of inquiry.

SUMMARY: In this Notice of Inquiry, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) seeks comment on oil pipeline capacity allocation issues that arise when anomalous conditions affect the demand for oil pipeline capacity. In addition, the Commission seeks comment on what actions, if any, the Commission should consider to address those allocation issues.

DATES: Initial Comments are due April 25, 2022, and Reply Comments are due May 25, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Comments, identified by docket number, may be filed in the following ways. Electronic filing through <http://www.ferc.gov>, is preferred.

- *Electronic Filing:* Documents must be filed in acceptable native applications and print-to-PDF, but not in scanned or picture format.

- For those unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery.

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only:*

Addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *Hand (including courier) delivery:*

Deliver to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

The Comment Procedures Section of this document contains more detailed filing procedures.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 1. In this Notice of Inquiry, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) seeks to explore oil pipeline capacity allocation issues that arise when anomalous conditions affect the demand for oil pipeline capacity and what actions, if any, the Commission should consider to address those allocation issues. Specifically, the Commission seeks public comment on anomalous conditions and their potential impacts on oil pipeline capacity allocation, as well as whether there are changes to the Commission's existing policies (such as those regarding prorationing) that the Commission should consider to mitigate these impacts. The Commission also seeks comment on the effects of recent anomalous conditions—those arising from the COVID-19 pandemic—on the availability of pipeline capacity for transporting jet fuel.

I. Background

A. Allocation of Capacity

2. Interstate oil pipelines are regulated as common carriers subject to the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA).¹ Accordingly, oil pipeline rates, terms, and conditions of service must be just and reasonable² and non-discriminatory.³ Furthermore, an oil pipeline is obligated to provide transportation upon reasonable request.⁴

3. Prorationing is the mechanism that oil pipelines use to allocate capacity among shippers when their total nominations exceed the pipeline's capacity. The Commission does not prescribe a uniform prorationing methodology, but a pipeline's methodology must be consistent with the ICA.⁵

4. Historically, oil pipelines have employed two general types of prorationing methodologies: Pro rata and history-based. A pro rata methodology awards available capacity to shippers in proportion to their nominations each nomination cycle, regardless of how much service, if any, they have taken in the past.⁶ In contrast,

a history-based methodology gives preference to shippers with a history of shipping on the pipeline.⁷ However, the Commission has required pipelines using this methodology to allow all shippers the opportunity to develop a record of transportation on the pipeline so as to attain preferred historical shipper status.⁸ When a pipeline uses a history-based methodology, it must reserve a portion of its capacity for new shippers.⁹

B. Anomalous Conditions

5. Oil pipelines serve a critical function transporting crude oil, refined products,¹⁰ and natural gas liquids.¹¹ Pipelines move crude oil from production areas to refineries and refined products to markets for consumption. Pipeline transportation is often more convenient and more cost-effective than alternative forms of transportation. Many pipelines offer transportation of more than one kind of product, often using a batching system to differentiate between products on the system.

6. As explained above, pipeline prorationing policies determine which shippers may access the pipeline when shipper demand exceeds pipeline capacity. These prorationing policies are often important during anomalous conditions that may cause sudden and unexpected changes to the demand for pipeline capacity. Anomalous conditions can result from a number of circumstances, including, but not limited to, extreme weather, national emergencies, and major market disruptions. Anomalous conditions can significantly and suddenly increase shipper nominations above available

barrels, each shipper would be allocated 50 barrels. If in the next cycle, Shippers A and B each nominate 100 barrels again, but new Shippers C and D also each nominate 100 barrels, each shipper would be allocated 25 barrels.

⁷ *Id.* P 25. In a simplified example, assume that a pipeline's available capacity per cycle is 100 barrels and that Shipper A and Shipper B each nominate 100 barrels. Assume also that, over the prior 12 months, Shipper A shipped 900 barrels and Shipper B shipped 300 barrels. If Shipper A and Shipper B each nominate 100 barrels in a particular cycle, then Shipper A would be allocated 75 barrels of the 100 available barrels of capacity (reflecting its historical usage of 75% of total usage over the past year) and Shipper B would be allocated 25 barrels of the 100 available barrels of capacity (reflecting its historical usage of 25% of total usage over the past year).

⁸ See *Colonial Pipeline Co.*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,001, at PP 19–24 (2016); *Suncor*, 132 FERC ¶ 61,242 at P 25; *Platte Pipe Line Co.*, 117 FERC ¶ 61,296, at P 46 (2006).

⁹ See *Colonial*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,001 at P 24; *Platte*, 117 FERC ¶ 61,296 at P 56.

¹⁰ Refined petroleum products include motor gasoline, jet fuel, diesel, naphtha, and kerosene.

¹¹ Natural gas liquids include propane, butane, ethane, and natural gasoline.

¹ 49 U.S.C. app. 1 (1988).

² *Id.* § 15(1).

³ *Id.* § 3(1).

⁴ *Id.* § 1(4).

⁵ *Suncor Mktg. Inc. v. Platte Pipe Line Co.*, 132 FERC ¶ 61,242, at P 24 (2010).

⁶ *Id.* P 26. In a simplified example, if a pipeline's available capacity per cycle is 100 barrels and Shipper A and Shipper B each nominate 100