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Transmittal No. 445

Honorable Debbie A. Reese Acting Secretary, Office of the Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20426

Re: F.E.R.C. Tariff No. 100.123.1 amends F.E.R.C. Tariff No. 100.123.0 (Docket No. IS24-664-000) and cancels F.E.R.C. Tariff No. 100.122.0 (Docket No. IS24-641-000).

Dear Acting Secretary Reese:

The accompanying amended tariff is sent to you for filing in compliance with requirements of the Interstate Commerce Act and the Commission regulations. This tariff is issued by Explorer Pipeline Company ("Explorer") and bears the designation F.E.R.C. Tariff No. 100.123.1. The amended tariff is filed to become effective on September 1, 2024 on 18 days' notice.

The revisions reflected in F.E.R.C. Tariff No. 100.123.1 include:

- Item No. 5, Definitions: updated the definition of "Shipper's Manual" in Item No. 5 to reference the current version of the Shipper's Manual dated September 1, 2024;
- Item No. 118, ULSD Incentive Rates to Bryan (Brazos County), Texas item canceled due to lack of shipper use;
- Item No. 121, North Houston Annual Threshold Incentive Program revised to update the program dates to September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025; and
- Rate Table, Part IIA, Application of Rates for Item No. 118 table canceled due to lack of shipper use.
- [N] Updates the "volumes bid" and the "market clearing rates" in the Table of Bid Rates, Part V for the month of September, 2024. There were no bids for the Southern Mainline Segment. The Market Clearing Rate for the Northern Mainline Segment was \$0.25 per barrel above the applicable Regular Rate or Specialty Rate.

In addition, Explorer is filing herewith a corrected version of Section 2, Shipper Information, of its Shipper Manual to be effective September 1, 2024, as such manual is defined and referenced in the accompanying tariff. Specifically, Explorer has amended certain language included in subparagraph 2.14.1 of Section 2 of the Shipper Manual as compared to the version of subparagraph 2.14.1 that was included in the Shipper Manual submitted with F.E.R.C. Tariff No. 100.123.0 on July 31, 2024 in Docket No. IS24-664-000. Subparagraph 2.14.1 addresses the settlement methodology for premium products. The amended language of

subparagraph 2.14.1 is intended to provide additional clarification to shippers regarding application of the settlement methodology, with Explorer also including an illustrative example. Under the existing settlement methodology, the financial impact of the unavoidable mixing of premium gasoline, a high value refined product, into lower value product that occurs during batch transportation falls on the carrier. Explorer is therefore filing to adjust the methodology so that the carrier and shippers will now share the financial impact. Explorer emphasizes that the amended language of subparagraph 2.14.1 of Section 2 of the Shipper Manual does not substantively alter the application of the provision as compared to what was set forth in the version of the Shipper Manual that was previously filed on July 31, 2024.

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 341.14 (Special Permission), Explorer requests that it be granted a waiver under Section 6(3) of the ICA to file F.E.R.C. No. 100.123.1 on 18 days' notice, so that it may become effective on September 1, 2024. Explorer submits that good cause exists for granting a waiver under Section 6(3) of the ICA. Permitting the tariff to become effective on less than 30 days' notice will allow Explorer to include the updated "volume bid" and "market clearing rates," which are being established in accordance with Item No. 113 (Bid Rates), in the tariff as soon as possible. Explorer also submits that no shipper should be adversely impacted by allowing F.E.R.C. No. 100.123.1 to become effective on short notice.

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 343.3 of the Commission's regulations, Explorer requests that any protest or other filing with regard to this tariff be sent electronically to Celeste Johnson at cjohnson@expl.com. All tariffs published by Explorer may be viewed and printed from Explorer's website at www.expl.com.

I hereby certify that on or before this date, I have caused service to be made pursuant to 18 CFR § 385.2010(f)(2).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (918) 359-5474.

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