

June 28, 2019

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company Compliance Filing to RP19-419-000, *et al.* Docket No. RP19-419-\_\_\_\_

Dear Ms. Bose:

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Pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act ("NGA") and Part 154 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("FERC" or "Commission") regulations,<sup>1</sup> Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company ("Tuscarora"), hereby submits for filing certain tariff sections<sup>2</sup> to be part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1 ("Tariff"). These revised sections are being submitted to implement, in part, Article VI of the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement filed on March 15, 2019, in Docket No. RP19-419-002 ("2019 Settlement"), and approved by the Commission on May 2, 2019, in Docket No. RP19-419-000, *et al.*<sup>3</sup> Tuscarora respectfully requests that the Commission accept the proposed tariff sections submitted as Appendix A to become effective on August 1, 2019.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 18 C.F.R. Part 154 (2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Specifically, Section 4.1 – Statement of Rates, FT and LFS Rates ("Section 4.1"); Section 4.3 – Statement of Rates, IT Rates ("Section 4.3"); and Section 4.5 – Statement of Rates, PL Rates ("Section 4.5").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company. 167 FERC ¶ 61,104 (2019) ("2019 Settlement Order").

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#### Statement of Nature, Reasons, and Basis for Filing

On July 15, 2016, in Docket No. RP16-299-000, Tuscarora filed a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement ("2016 Settlement") in order to resolve all issues therein.<sup>4</sup> The 2016 Settlement provided for a phased reduction in Tuscarora's rates. The Phase I rates went into effect on August 1, 2016 ("2016 Settlement Phase I Rates"), and the 2016 Settlement Phase II rates were scheduled to go into effect on August 1, 2019 ("2016 Settlement Phase II Rates").

Subsequently, on December 6, 2018, Tuscarora submitted its Form No. 501-G Filing ("501-G Filing") and Limited Section 4 Income Tax Rate Reduction Filing ("Limited Section 4 Filing") in Docket Nos. RP19-416-000 and RP19-419-000, respectively. The Limited Section 4 Filing provided for a reduction in the reservation component of Tuscarora's 2016 Settlement Phase I Rates under Rate Schedules FT, LFS, and IT, effective February 1, 2019 ("Limited Section 4 Rates").

On March 15, 2019, Tuscarora submitted the 2019 Settlement to resolve all issues in Tuscarora's

<sup>\*</sup> Persons designated for official service pursuant to Rule 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Commission approved the 2016 Settlement on July 22, 2016. *Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company*. 156 FERC ¶ 61,188 (2016).

501-G Filing and Limited Section 4 Filing proceedings. Among other things, Article VI of the 2019 Settlement provided for a modification of the Limited Section 4 Rates to reduce the commodity component of such rates and apply the reduction to the rate under Rate Schedule PL. Accordingly, concurrent with Tuscarora's filing of the 2019 Settlement, on March 15, 2019, in Docket No. RP19-419-001, Tuscarora submitted a motion to place into effect on February 1, 2019, interim rates reflecting a reduction in the rates applicable to delivery charges under Rate Schedules FT, LFS, IT, and PL ("Interim Rate Filing"). On May 2, 2019, the Commission approved the 2019 Settlement, finding it fair and reasonable and in the public interest.<sup>5</sup>

As discussed in Article VI of the 2019 Settlement, Appendix B-3 of the 2019 Settlement consists of *pro forma* tariff records for Sections 4.1, 4.3, and 4.5 setting forth the effective rates for all Tuscarora mainline transportation services for the August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2022 period ("2019 Settlement Phase II Rates").<sup>6</sup> Thus, to comply with Ordering Paragraph C of the 2019 Settlement Order, and in accordance with Article VI of the 2019 Settlement, Tuscarora is submitting, as Appendix A attached hereto, the 2019 Settlement Phase II Rates approved by the Commission in its 2019 Settlement Order, <sup>7</sup> to become effective August 1, 2019.

#### **Effective Date**

Tuscarora respectively requests that the Commission accept this filing and the tariff sections, included herein as Appendix A, to become effective August 1, 2019.

#### Other Filings Which May Affect this Proceeding

There are no other filings before the Commission that may significantly affect the changes proposed herein.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 2019 Settlement Order at P 13. In addition to approving the 2019 Settlement, the 2019 Settlement Order accepted the Interim Rate Filing, and terminated Tuscarora's Form No. 501-G proceeding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The 2019 Settlement Phase II Rates supersede the 2016 Settlement Phase II Rates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The 2019 Settlement Phase II Rates submitted herein are identical to those reflected on the *pro forma* tariff records contained in the 2019 Settlement.

**Materials Enclosed** 

In accordance with Section 154.7(a)(1) of the Commission's regulations, Tuscarora is

submitting the following XML filing package, which includes:

1. This transmittal letter;

2. A clean version of the Tariff sections (Appendix A); and

3. A marked version of the Tariff sections (Appendix B).

**Certificate of Service** 

As required by Section 154.7(b) and 154.208 of the Commission's regulations, copies of this

filing are being served on all of Tuscarora's existing customers and interested state regulatory

agencies. A copy of this letter, together with any attachments, is available during regular

business hours for public inspection at Tuscarora's principal place of business.

Pursuant to Section 285.2005, the undersigned has read this filing and knows its contents and

the contents are true as stated, to the best of his knowledge and belief. The undersigned

possesses full power and authority to sign such filing.

Any questions regarding this filing may be directed to David Brown at (832) 320-5512.

Respectfully Submitted,

TUSCARORA GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY

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Enclosure

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## Appendix A

### Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company - FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1

## **Clean Tariff**

	Version	
4.1	Statement of Rates, FT and LFT Rates	v.9.0.0
4.3	Statement of Rates, IT Rates	v.10.0.0
4.5	Statement of Rates, PL Rates	v.3.0.0

PART 4.1 4.1 - Statement of Rates FT and LFS Rates v.9.0.0 Superseding v.8.1.0

# RATE SCHEDULES FT and LFS CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES 1/

Reservation Charge (Maximum) (Minimum)		\$ 7.3305 \$ 0.0000
Delivery Charge (Maximum) (Minimum)		\$ 0.0029 \$ 0.0029
Authorized Overrun Charge (Maximum) (Minimum)		\$ 0.2439 \$ 0.0029
Annual Charge Adjustment		2/
Measurement Variance Gas Factor	(Maximum) (Minimum)	2.0% (2.0%)
Volumetric Reservation Charge for C	Capacity Release	\$ 0.2439 3/

- 1/ For scheduling, imbalance and unauthorized overrun charges see General Terms and Conditions, Section 6.6. Maximum and minimum rates are applicable to backhaul service.
- 2/ The Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) is in addition to the above Delivery Charge and the Authorized Overrun Charge. The currently effective ACA unit charge as published on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) is incorporated herein by reference.
- 3/ The Maximum Rate does not apply to capacity release transactions of one (1) year or less.

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PART 4.3 4.3 - Statement of Rates IT Rates v.10.0.0 Superseding v.9.1.0

#### IT RATE SCHEDULE CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES 1/

Delivery Charge	(Maximum) (Minimum)		\$ 0.2439 \$ 0.0029
Annual Charge A	djustment		2/
Measurement Variance Gas Factor		(Maximum) (Minimum)	2.0% (2.0%)

- 1/ For scheduling and imbalance charges see General Terms and Conditions, Section 6.6. Maximum and minimum rates are applicable to backhaul service.
- 2/ The Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) is in addition to the above Delivery Charge. The currently effective ACA unit charge as published on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) is incorporated herein by reference.

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PART 4.5 4.5 - Statement of Rates PL Rates v.3.0.0 Superseding v.2.0.0

#### PL RATE SCHEDULE CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES

Delivery Charge: (Maximum) \$ 0.0455

(Minimum) \$ 0.0000

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## Appendix B

### Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company - FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1

## **Marked Tariff**

	Version	
4.1	Statement of Rates, FT and LFT Rates	v.9.0.0
4.3	Statement of Rates, IT Rates	v.10.0.0
4.5	Statement of Rates, PL Rates	v.3.0.0

PART 4.1 4.1 - Statement of Rates FT and LFS Rates v.9.0.0 Superseding v.8.1.0

# RATE SCHEDULES FT and LFS CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES 1/

Reservation Charge (Maximum) (Minimum)	\$ 8.2194 <u>7.3305</u> \$ 0.0000
Delivery Charge (Maximum) (Minimum)	\$ 0.00300.0029 \$ 0.00300.0029
Authorized Overrun Charge (Maximum) (Minimum)	\$ 0.2733 <u>0.2439</u> \$ 0.0030 <u>0.0029</u>
Annual Charge Adjustment	2/
Measurement Variance Gas Factor (Maximum) (Minimum)	2.0% (2.0%)
Volumetric Reservation Charge for Capacity Release	\$ <del>0.2733</del> <u>0.2439</u> 3/

- 1/ For scheduling, imbalance and unauthorized overrun charges see General Terms and Conditions, Section 6.6. Maximum and minimum rates are applicable to backhaul service.
- 2/ The Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) is in addition to the above Delivery Charge and the Authorized Overrun Charge. The currently effective ACA unit charge as published on the Commission's website (<a href="www.ferc.gov">www.ferc.gov</a>) is incorporated herein by reference.
- 3/ The Maximum Rate does not apply to capacity release transactions of one (1) year or less.

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PART 4.3 4.3 - Statement of Rates IT Rates v.10.0.0 Superseding v.9.1.0

#### IT RATE SCHEDULE CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES 1/

Delivery Charge (Maximum) \$ 0.27330.2439 \$ 0.00300.0029

Annual Charge Adjustment 2/

Measurement Variance Gas Factor (Maximum) 2.0% (Minimum) (2.0%)

- 1/ For scheduling and imbalance charges see General Terms and Conditions, Section 6.6. Maximum and minimum rates are applicable to backhaul service.
- 2/ The Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) is in addition to the above Delivery Charge. The currently effective ACA unit charge as published on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) is incorporated herein by reference.

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#### PL RATE SCHEDULE CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES

Delivery Charge: (Maximum) \$ 0.0473\(\text{0.0455}\)

(Minimum) \$ 0.0000

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