



Oil Pipeline Filing
September 24, 2024

Ms. Debbie-Anne Reese, Acting Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Acting Secretary, Reese:

In accordance with the requirements of the Interstate Commerce Act and the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”), Hiland Crude, LLC (“Hiland”) submits for filing the following tariffs (“Index Tariffs”), effective October 1, 2024:

- FERC Tariff No. 2.21.0, Rules and Regulations, applying on the gathering / transportation of crude petroleum (cancels FERC 2.20.0);
- FERC Tariff No. 3.19.0, Proportional Tariff applying on the gathering / transportation of crude petroleum on the Tioga Gathering System (cancels FERC No. 3.18.0);
- FERC Tariff No. 4.17.0, Proportional Tariff applying on the gathering / transportation of crude petroleum on the Richland County Gathering System (cancels FERC No. 4.16.0); and
- FERC Tariff No. 5.42.0, Proportional Tariff applying on the gathering / transportation of crude petroleum on the Market Center Gathering System (cancels FERC No. 5.41.0).
- FERC Tariff No. 13.8.0, Market Center Gathering System and Hiland Joint Tariff with Tallgrass Pony Express Pipeline, LLC, applying on interstate transportation of crude petroleum (cancels FERC Tariff No. 13.7.0).
- FERC Tariff No. 14.11.0, Market Center Gathering System Joint Tariff with Hiland Pipeline, LLC, applying on interstate transportation of crude petroleum (cancels FERC Tariff No. 14.10.0)

I. Explanation of Tariff Filing

Hiland is filing the Index Tariffs in compliance with 18 C.F.R. § 342.3 (Indexing) and the FERC’s Order Reinstating Index Level¹ to increase certain of the rates and fees for services outlined in the Index Tariffs, with such increases to become effective October 1, 2024. Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 342.3, Hiland is enclosing herewith an Index Summary that outlines, with respect to the rates and fees in the Index Tariffs, the following information: (1) the current rates and fees, (2) the index ceiling levels that are now effective pursuant to the Order Reinstating Index Level,² and (3) the rates and fees that will become effective on October 1, 2024.

I. Request for Special Permission to File on Short Notice

In accordance with the Order Reinstating Index Level,³ Hiland requests special permission to issue the Index Tariffs on less than thirty days’ notice under authority of 18 C.F.R. § 341.14 and § 341.2, so that the adjusted rates reflected therein go into effect on October 1, 2024. Hiland submits that good cause exists for granting this request. First, the Commission expressly indicated in the Order Reinstating Index Level that oil pipelines may request special permission to have their proposed rate increases made in accordance with such order become effective on less than 30 days’ notice. Second, all shippers have been on more than 30

¹ *Five-Year Review of the Oil Pipeline Index*, 188 FERC ¶ 61,173 (2024) (“Order Reinstating Index Level”).

² In accordance with the Order Reinstating Index Level, Hiland has calculated the index ceiling levels that are now effective based on application of the revised index multipliers set forth in the table included in Paragraph 1 of the Order Reinstating Index Level for each period. The calculation of these index ceiling levels is also reflected in the information filing that Hiland submitted in Docket No. IS24-450-000 on August 22, 2024. The June 30, 2021 ceiling level was established in Docket Nos. IS20-404-000 and IS21-481-000.

³ Order Reinstating Index Level at P 2.

days' notice that the increased rates would go into effect upon the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit's issuance of the mandate on *LEPA v. FERC*⁴ (which was issued on September 17, 2024) and the FERC's issuance of the Order Reinstating Index Level. Hiland acknowledges that this tariff publication is conditionally accepted subject to refund pending a thirty-day review period.

All base and discount rates for gathering and transportation in FERC Tariff Nos. 3.19.0, 4.17.0 and 5.42.0 are increased from prior tariffs. In FERC Tariff No. 2.21.0, the turndown fee and intra-system title transfer fee are increased. All other charges and fees in these tariffs are unchanged from prior tariffs.

In FERC Nos. 3.19.0, 4.17.0, and 5.42.0, the governing rules and regulations tariff number is updated to reflect the current issue, which is part of this filing, FERC Tariff No. 2.21.0, in order for shippers to have available the current tariff number. Additionally, FERC Tariff No. 3.19.0, note (4) references to the Market Center Gathering tariff and that number is updated to the current issue.

Hiland is filing FERC Tariff No. 13.8.0 to increase the joint committed shipper rates set forth therein in accordance with the provisions set forth in the underlying throughput and deficiency agreements. As demonstrated in Schedule A (all rates in the table are in cents per barrel), and in accordance with Commission policy, the committed joint rates set forth in FERC Tariff No. 13.8.0 continue to be less than the sum of the underlying local base rates on file at the FERC for the same movement.

Tallgrass Pony Express Pipeline, LLC ("Tallgrass") is the joint carrier in FERC Tariff No. 13.8.0 and concurs with the submission of this tariff. The contact for Tallgrass is L. Drew Cutright. Mr. Cutright can be reached at (303) 763-3438 or at 370 Van Gordon, Lakewood, Colorado 80228.

Hiland is filing FERC Tariff No. 14.11.0 to increase the joint short and long-term volume incentive rates set forth therein in accordance with the provisions set forth in the underlying throughput and deficiency agreements. As shown in the Rate Justification Table attached as Schedule B (all rates in the table are in cents per barrel), the short and long-term Volume Incentive Rates in FERC Tariff No. 14.11.0 continue to be less than the sum of the underlying individual local rates on file at the FERC for the same movement with this joint tariff filing. Hiland the owner and operator of both Market Center Gathering and Hiland Pipeline and concurs FERC Tariff No. 14.11.0 is a joint tariff. The contact for Hiland Pipeline, LLC is Chris Ebright. Mr. Ebright can be reached at (918) 688- 4644 or at 8811 South Yale, Suite 200, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74137. The pump over fee has also been increased.

In accordance with 18 C.F.R. § 343.3(a), Hiland hereby requests that any protest of the attached tariff be emailed to the undersigned at Tariff_Group@kindermorgan.com.

I hereby certify that copies of this filing have been sent, on or before this date, by means of transmission agreed upon, to all subscribers on Hiland's subscriber list.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact the undersigned at 713-420-4687.

Sincerely,



Bruce Reed
Director-Tariffs and Regulatory Affairs

⁴ *Liquid Energy Pipeline Ass'n. v. FERC*, Nos. 22-1045 et al., 2024 U.S. App. LEXIS 18502 (D.C. Cir. July 26, 2024) ("*LEPA v. FERC*").