



October 12, 2023

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426

Attention: Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary

Re: Negotiated Rate Agreement Update;
El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.;
Docket No. RP24-

Commissioners:

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. ("EPNG") hereby tenders for filing and acceptance by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") the tariff record listed below for inclusion in its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1A ("Tariff"):

Part VII Section 95.1 Pioneer Natural #FT3HH000-FT1EPNG Exh A Version 31.0.0

Proposed with an effective date of October 13, 2023, this tariff record updates EPNG's Tariff to reflect a temporary point redesignation on an existing transportation service agreement ("TSA") between EPNG and Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. ("Pioneer"). EPNG respectfully requests a waiver of the 30-day notice requirement to effectuate the October 13, 2023 effective date, as discussed below.

Background

EPNG's Tariff includes Agreement No. FT3HH000-FT1EPNG, a non-conforming, fixed negotiated rate agreement with Pioneer ("Pioneer TSA"). Among other things, this TSA reflects the application of a negotiated rate at various primary and alternate points. Since the initial acceptance of the tariff records displaying the TSA,¹ Pioneer has redesignated primary points on the TSA consistent with EPNG's Tariff. Currently, the tariff records reflecting the Pioneer TSA include a point redesignation that was accepted by the Commission on October 11, 2023.²

¹ *El Paso Natural Gas Co.*, Docket No. RP17-215-000 (Dec. 16, 2016) (unpublished letter order).

² *El Paso Natural Gas Co.*, Docket No. RP23-1083-000 (Oct. 11, 2023) (unpublished letter order).

Reason for Filing

Pursuant to General Terms and Conditions (“GT&C”) Section 8.1(f)(iii) of EPNG’s Tariff, firm shippers may request to temporarily or permanently redesignate primary point rights to any rate zone subject to certain procedures. In the case of a temporary redesignation, a firm shipper may request to redesignate a primary point on its TSA for a period of three months or less and, in the same request, simultaneously redesignate back to the original primary point at the end of the redesignation period.³ An acceptance of a re-designation request by EPNG constitutes an amendment of the TSA and an executed paper copy is unnecessary to amend the TSA as described in GT&C Section 8.1(f)(iii)(F).

Recently, Pioneer submitted a request to temporarily shift its capacity from the primary receipt point of IJOYCEPL (PIN 50532) to IUTBENED (PIN 377040) on Agreement No. FT3HH000-FT1EPNG for October 13, 2023 through October 31, 2023, as indicated on the attached tariff record. IUTBENED is currently included as a primary receipt point at which the negotiated rate specified in the TSA applies. Pioneer’s request was accepted by EPNG and, therefore, Agreement No. FT3HH000-FT1EPNG was deemed to be amended pursuant to Section 8.1(f)(iii)(F) of the GT&C.⁴ Given that Pioneer’s temporary redesignation request affects a non-conforming, negotiated rate agreement, EPNG is proposing a tariff record to reflect the receipt point modification and the relevant time period.⁵ No other changes to the Pioneer TSA have been made.

Tariff Provisions

EPNG is submitting the following tariff record pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 154.112(b) (2022) and Subpart C of Part 154 of the Commission’s regulations.⁶

Part VII, Section 95.1 is updated to reflect the redesignation to the IUTBENED receipt point for October 13, 2023 through October 31, 2023 for Pioneer’s Agreement No. FT3HH000-FT1EPNG.

³ See Section 8.1(f)(iii)(B) of the GT&C of EPNG’s Tariff.

⁴ See Appendix A for a copy of the redesignation report for the Pioneer TSA. This report reflects the details regarding Pioneer’s redesignation request and EPNG’s approval of such request.

⁵ This temporary redesignation is similar to other receipt point redesignations, which were filed by EPNG and accepted by the Commission in Docket Nos. RP23-204-000, RP23-470-000, RP23-846-000 and RP23-988-000. See, e.g., *El Paso Natural Gas Co.*, Docket No. RP23-846-000 (July 20, 2023) (unpublished letter order).

⁶ 18 C.F.R. §§ 154.201 – 154.210 (2022) (Subpart C).

Procedural Matters

In accordance with the applicable provisions of Part 154 of the Commission's regulations,⁷ EPNG is submitting an eTariff XML filing package, which includes the following:

- a) a transmittal letter;
- b) Appendix A, a copy of the redesignation report for the Pioneer TSA; and
- c) clean and marked versions of the tariff record in PDF format.

EPNG respectfully requests the Commission accept the tendered tariff record for filing and permit it to become effective October 13, 2023, contemporaneous with the effective date of the point redesignation. As such, EPNG requests the Commission grant a waiver of the notice requirements as permitted by 18 C.F.R. § 154.207 (2022) of the Commission's regulations.⁸ With respect to any tariff record the Commission allows to go into effect without change, EPNG hereby moves to place the tendered tariff record in to effect at the end of any minimal suspension period established by the Commission.

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These persons have been designated for service in accordance with Rule 203 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.203 (2022)).

⁷ 18 C.F.R. §§ 154.1 – 154.603 (2022).

⁸ See, e.g., *Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.*, 105 FERC ¶ 61,164, at P 11 (2003).

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has read this filing and knows (i) the contents of such filing and the attachments; (ii) that the contents as stated in the filing and in the attachments are true to the best of his knowledge and belief; and (iii) that he possesses full power and authority to sign this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY, L.L.C.

By _____/s/_____
Ryan C. Leahy
Director, Regulatory

Enclosures

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that I have this day caused a copy of the foregoing document to be served upon all shippers on EPNG's pipeline system and interested state regulatory commissions, in accordance with the requirements of Sections 154.208 and 385.2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures.

Dated at Birmingham, Alabama as of this 12th day of October 2023.

/s/

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Appendix A

Primary Receipt and Delivery Point ReDesignation Report

Request # : 104536

Company Name : PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA

Contract No : FT3HH000-FT1EPNG

Status : EXECUTED

Acquired Capacity Agreement : N

Amendment No : 30

Submit Date & Time : 10/6/2023 12:12:51PM

Executed Date & time : 10/6/2023 2:27:37PM

Effective Date : 10/13/2023

ReDesignation End Date : 10/31/2023

Customer Comments :

Point (Rec)	Point Name (Rec)	Point (Del)	Point Name (Del)	Route	Rate Zone	Begin Date	End Date	MDQ/Dth/D
Current								
50532	TARGAWTX/EPNG (IJOYCEPL)JOYCE PLANT	301693	NBAJA/EPNG (INORBAJA) NORTH BAJA DE	SS1	27	10/13/2023	10/31/2023	39,000
Re-Designation								
47817	TARGAWTX/EPNG (IEDWRDPL) EDWARD PLT	301693	NBAJA/EPNG (INORBAJA) NORTH BAJA DE	SS1	27	10/13/2023	10/31/2023	39,000
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47817	TARGAWTX/EPNG (IEDWRDPL) EDWARD PLT	301693	NBAJA/EPNG (INORBAJA) NORTH BAJA DE	SS1	27	10/13/2023	10/31/2023	98,000
Updated TSA Entitlements*								
47817	TARGAWTX/EPNG (IEDWRDPL) EDWARD PLT	301693	NBAJA/EPNG (INORBAJA) NORTH BAJA DE	SS1	27	10/13/2023	10/31/2023	98,000
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*Note: The Updated TSA Entitlements represent the TSA entitlements once the re-designations have been approved and executed. These may vary from the original request as provided by the tariff in the GT&C, Section 8.1 (f) (iii) (C). To view the final approved TSA entitlements, log into DART and select Contracts and Amendments.

Clean Tariff Section(s)

Agreement No. FT3HH000-FT1EPNG

EXHIBIT A
 To The
 Firm Transportation Service Agreement
 Rate Schedule FT-1
 between
 El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.
 and
 Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. (Shipper)
 Dated: October 6, 2023

Effective Dates: October 13, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Primary Receipt PIN Name	Receipt PIN	Primary Delivery PIN Name	Delivery PIN	Flow Path	Maximum Quantity - D-Code (Dth/d) 1/												Delivery Pressure (p.s.i.g.) Not less than 2/	Delivery Pressure (p.s.i.g.) Not greater than 2/
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IUTBENED	377040	INORBAJA	301693	SS1														
IEDWRDPL	47817	INORBAJA	301693	SS1										137,000	98,000	24,284		
IEDWRDPL	47817	INORBAJA	301693	SN2-NS3												73,716		
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IEDWRDPL	47817	INORBAJA	301693	SS1	10,356	95,316	98,000	98,000	98,000	98,000	98,000	98,000	98,000	98,000	98,000	24,284		
IEDWRDPL	47817	INORBAJA	301693	SN2- NS3	87,644	2,684										73,716		
TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT DEMAND					137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000		

Shipper's Transportation Contract Demand: See ¶ 11

1/ The sum of the Maximum Quantities identified above is equal to Shipper's Transportation Contract Demand for that Month.

2/ Unless otherwise specified on this Exhibit A, the pressure(s) for the point(s) listed above shall be the pressure existing from time to time at the metering facility; provided, however, Transporter reserves the right to deliver quantities at pressures up to the MAOP of that facility.

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1/ The sum of the Maximum Quantities identified above is equal to Shipper's Transportation Contract Demand for that Month.

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