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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Title:** FERC-542, Gas Pipelines Rates: Rate Tracking.

**OMB Control No.:** 1902-0070.

**Type of Request:** Three-year extension of the FERC-542 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

**Abstract:** The information collected by FERC-542 is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Title IV of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA), 15 U.S.C. 3301-3432, and sections 4, 5, and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (Pub. L. 75-688) (15 U.S.C. 717-717w). These statutes allow the Commission to collect natural gas transmission cost information from interstate natural gas pipelines for the purpose of verifying that these costs, which are passed on to customers, are just and reasonable.

Natural gas pipelines are required by the Commission to track their transportation costs to allow for the Commission's review and, where appropriate, approve the pass-through of these costs to pipeline customers.

FERC-542 accounts for costs involving: (1) Research, development, and deployment expenditures; (2) annual charge adjustments; and (3) periodic rate adjustments.

FERC-542 filings may be submitted at any time or on a regularly scheduled basis in accordance with the pipeline company's tariff. Filings may be either: (1) Accepted; (2) suspended and set for hearing; (3) minimal suspension; or (4) suspended for further review, such as technical conference or some other type of Commission action.

The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR part 154, 154.107, 154.4, 154.7, 154.201, and 154.401-154.403.

**Type of Respondents:** Jurisdictional Natural Gas Pipelines.

**Estimate of Annual Burden:**<sup>1</sup> The Commission estimates the total burden and cost<sup>2</sup> for this information collection as follows:

**FERC-542 (GAS PIPELINE RATES: RATE TRACKING)**

FERC data collection	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden hours & cost per response	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (\$) (rounded)	Cost (\$) per respondent (rounded)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
FERC-542 .....	90	2	180	2 hrs; \$158 .....	360 hrs; \$28,440 ...	\$316
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	360 hrs; \$28,440 ...	.....

**Comments:** Comments are invited on:

(1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: June 13, 2019.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

**[Docket No. CP19-473-000; PF18-2-000]**

**Equitrans, L.P.; Notice of Application**

Take notice that on May 31, 2019, Equitrans, L.P. (Equitrans), 2200 Energy Drive, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317, filed in Docket No. CP19-473-000 an application pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate new facilities as part of its Tri-State Corridor Project. Specifically, Equitrans proposes to construct: (i) Approximately 16.7 miles of pipeline in Washington County, Pennsylvania and Brooke County, West Virginia; (ii) three new receipt interconnects in Washington County, Pennsylvania with Rover Pipeline LLC and two non-jurisdictional facilities;

(iii) a new delivery interconnect in Brooke County, West Virginia with the proposed power facility; and (iv) additional ancillary facilities. The Tri-State Corridor Project is designed to provide up to 140,000 dekatherms per day of east to west firm capacity on Equitrans' proposed Tri-State Corridor System to deliver natural gas to a proposed power facility. Equitrans estimates the cost of the Tri-State Corridor Project to be \$ 96,249,417, all as more fully described in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For

<sup>1</sup> "Burden" is the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection

burden, refer to Title 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>2</sup> FERC staff estimates that industry costs for salary plus benefits are similar to Commission

costs. The cost figure is the FY2018 FERC average annual salary plus benefits (\$164,820/year or \$79/hour).

assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Matthew T. Eggerding, Assistant General Counsel, Equitrans, L.P., 2200 Energy Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317, by telephone at (412) 553-5786, or by email [MEggerding@equitransmidstream.com](mailto:MEggerding@equitransmidstream.com); or Michael R. Pincus, Van Ness Feldman LLP, 1050 Thomas Jefferson Street NW, Seventh Floor, Washington, DC 20007, by telephone at 202-298-1800, or by email [mrp@vnf.com](mailto:mrp@vnf.com).

On October 20, 2017, the Commission staff granted Equitrans' request to utilize the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Pre-Filing Process and assigned Docket No. PF18-2-000 to staff activities involving the Tri-State Corridor Project. Now, as of the filing of this application on May 31, 2019, the NEPA Pre-Filing Process for this project has ended. From this time forward, this proceeding will be conducted in Docket No. CP19-473-000, as noted in the caption of this Notice.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party

status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 3 copies of filings made in the proceeding with the Commission and must provide a copy to the applicant and to every other party. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list and will be notified of any meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

As of the February 27, 2018 date of the Commission's order in Docket No. CP16-4-001, the Commission will apply its revised practice concerning out-of-time motions to intervene in any new Natural Gas Act section 3 or section 7 proceeding.<sup>1</sup> Persons desiring to become a party to a certificate proceeding are to intervene in a timely manner. If seeking to intervene out-of-time, the movant is required to "show good cause why the time limitation should be waived," and should provide justification by reference to factors set forth in Rule 214(d)(1) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.*, 162 FERC ¶ 61,167 at ¶ 50 (2018).

<sup>2</sup> 18 CFR 385.214(d)(1).

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 3 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

*Comment Date:* July 5, 2019.

*Dated:* June 13, 2019.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP19-477-000]

#### Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on June 4, 2019, Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC (Mountain Valley), 2200 Energy Drive, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317, filed a prior notice application pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.208 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Mountain Valley's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP16-10-000. Mountain Valley requests authorization to install a new metering and regulating station, associated piping, and a tap site in Monroe County, West Virginia to allow Mountain Valley to deliver up to approximately 1.0 billion cubic feet per day to Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC's KA System, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is open to the public for inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Matthew T. Eggerding, Assistant General Counsel, 2200 Energy Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317, or phone (412) 553-5786, or by email [MEggerding@equitransmidstream.com](mailto:MEggerding@equitransmidstream.com).

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission,