

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.  
Docket No. RP23-1084-000

Issued: October 24, 2023

On September 28, 2023, Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C. filed a tariff record<sup>1</sup> to reflect the semi-annual adjustment to its Electric Power Cost Recovery surcharge, pursuant to section 34 of the General Terms and Conditions of its tariff. Pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Pipeline Regulation, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307, the tariff record is accepted, effective November 1, 2023, as requested.

The filing was publicly noticed. No protests or adverse comments were filed. Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. § 385.214), notices of intervention, timely-filed motions to intervene, and any unopposed motions to intervene out-of-time filed before the issuance date of this order are granted.

This action shall not be construed as a waiver of the requirements of section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, as amended; nor shall it be construed as constituting approval of the referenced filing or of any rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, or practice affecting such rate or service contained in the applicant's tariff; nor shall such acceptance be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against the applicant.

This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Issued by: Marsha K. Palazzi, Director, Division of Pipeline Regulation

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<sup>1</sup> Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C., Guardian FERC Gas Tariff, [Part 5.0, Statement of Rates \(51.0.0\)](#).



September 28, 2023

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

Re: Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.  
Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge Adjustment – Fall 2023  
Docket No. RP23-\_\_\_\_-000

Dear Ms. Bose:

Pursuant to section 154.403 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (“Commission”) regulations, Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C. (“Guardian”) respectfully submits for filing and acceptance the tariff record listed below for inclusion in its FERC Gas Tariff, Volume No. 1 (“Tariff”). The proposed tariff record is submitted to become effective November 1, 2023.

Part 5.0, Statement of Rates, v. 51.0.0

**Statement of Nature, Reasons and Basis for the Proposed Changes**

The purpose of this filing is to revise the above-referenced tariff record Part 5.0 to reflect Guardian’s semi-annual adjustment to its Electric Power Cost Recovery (“EPCR”) surcharge in accordance with Part 8, Section 34 of the General Terms and Conditions of Guardian’s Tariff. The revised Part 5.0 tariff record submitted herewith reflects a change in the EPCR surcharge applicable under Guardian’s Rate Schedule(s) FT-1, FT-2, IT-1, and IT-2 from \$0.0054 to \$0.0060 per dekatherm. The workpapers attached hereto as Appendix A provide supporting calculations used in deriving the proposed surcharge.

**Materials Enclosed**

In accordance with section 154.7 of the Commission’s regulations, the following items are included in this filing:

1. an eTariff XML filing package containing the proposal in electronic format;

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2. a transmittal letter in PDF format, which incorporates the Statement of Nature, Reasons and Basis for the filing required by section 154.7(a)(6) of the Commission's regulations;
3. Appendix A – the workpapers providing supporting calculations used in deriving the proposed surcharge;
4. Appendix B – a clean version of the tariff record in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary; and
5. Appendix C – a marked version of the tariff record in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary.

### **Proposed Effective Date**

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(3) of the Commission's regulations, Guardian respectfully requests that the tariff record submitted herewith be approved effective November 1, 2023, which date is at least thirty (30) days after receipt of this filing by the Commission. In accordance with section 154.7(a)(9) of the Commission's regulations, Guardian hereby files a motion to place the proposed tariff section into effect at the end of any suspension period if one is so ordered by the Commission in this proceeding.

### **Waivers**

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(7) of the Commission's regulations, Guardian has not identified any waivers of the Commission's regulations needed to permit its filing to become effective as proposed; however, Guardian respectfully requests that, should the Commission determine that any such waivers are required, the Commission grant such waivers as are necessary in order that the revised tariff section may be made effective as proposed. No waiver of Guardian's Tariff is herein requested.

### **Service and Correspondence**

In accordance with section 154.208 of the Commission's regulations, the undersigned certifies that a copy of this filing has been served electronically on Guardian's customers and affected state regulatory commissions. A paper copy of this filing may only be served if a customer has been granted waiver of electronic service pursuant to Part 390 of the Commission's regulations. In addition, a copy of this filing is available for public inspection during regular business hours at Guardian's office at 100 West Fifth Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary

September 28, 2023

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It is requested that a copy of all communications, correspondence, and pleadings with respect to this filing be sent to:

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Any questions regarding this filing may be directed to Denise Adams at (918) 732-1408.

Pursuant to section 385.2005 and section 385.2011(c)(5) of the Commission's regulations, the undersigned has read this filing and knows its contents, and the contents are true as stated, to the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Denise Adams*

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Attachments

# Appendix A

## Workpapers

**Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.**  
**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**

**Schedule 1**

<b>Line No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>November through March</b>	
1	Compressor Electric Power Expense	\$1,059,304	<b>Schedule 3</b>
2	Deferred Electric Power Cost	(670,185)	<b>Schedule 5</b>
3	Carrying Costs	0	<b>Schedule 5</b>
4	Total Costs	<u>\$389,119</u>	
		<b>Usage (Dth/Season)</b>	
5	Firm Transport	65,002,317	
6	Interruptible Transport	235,544	
7	Total Usage	<u>65,237,861</u>	<b>Schedule 2</b>
8	Electric Power Cost Recovery Rate (\$/Dth)	<u>\$0.0060</u>	

**Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.**  
**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**  
**Estimated Quantities**

**Schedule 2**

<b>Line No.</b>	<b>Month (a)</b>	<b>Volumes (Dth) (b)</b>
1	November-23	9,373,484
2	December-23	16,609,247
3	January-24	14,400,999
4	February-24	13,101,562
5	March-24	11,752,569
6	Total Quantities	65,237,861
7	Adjustment	-
8	Estimated Quantities	65,237,861

Volumes are based on actual prior year receipt volumes plus projected new contracted volumes for the seasonal period, less any terminated contracts.

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**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**  
**Estimated Costs**

<b>Line No.</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>1/ Electricity Demand &amp; Commodity Cost</b>
		<b>(a)</b>
1	November-23	\$12,850
2	December-23	16,099
3	January-24	424,086
4	February-24	299,124
5	March-24	307,145
6	Total	\$1,059,304

1/ Estimated Electricity Demand and Commodity Costs are based on actual invoices for the prior year's corresponding seasonal period.



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**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**  
**Deferred Costs**

**Schedule 4**

Line No.	Month	1/ Electricity Demand & Commodity Cost (a)	Interest Cost (b)	Total Costs (c)	Cost Recoveries (d)	Total Deferred Costs (c+d)
		Beginning Balance				(\$74,526)
1	February-23	\$175,153	\$0	\$175,153	(\$368,616)	(193,463)
2	March-23	355,845	-	355,845	(333,443)	22,402
3	April-23	(295,974)	-	(295,974)	(54,107)	(350,081)
4	May-23	10,242	-	10,242	(38,059)	(27,817)
5	June-23	10,850	-	10,850	(27,339)	(16,489)
6	July-23	15,116	-	15,116	(28,123)	(13,007)
7	August-23	13,441	-	13,441	(30,645)	(17,204)
8	Total	<u>\$284,673</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$284,673</u>	<u>(\$880,332)</u>	<u>(\$670,185)</u>

1/ Electricity Demand and Commodity Costs are the composite of monthly accruals, prior month accrual reversals and actual invoices in a month.

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**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**  
**Carrying Costs**

Line No.	Month	Balance in Account 186	Interest	Total
1	February-23	(\$267,989)	\$0	(\$267,989)
2	March-23	(245,587)	-	(245,587)
3	April-23	(595,668)	-	(595,668)
4	May-23	(623,485)	-	(623,485)
5	June-23	(639,975)	-	(639,975)
6	July-23	(652,982)	-	(652,982)
7	August-23	(670,185)	-	(670,185)
8	<b>Total Deferred Costs (due Customer) due GPL (excluding interest)</b>			<b>(\$670,185)</b>
9	<b>Total Interest Charged (only if Total Deferred Costs is a positive balance)</b>			<b>\$0</b>

# Appendix B

## Clean Tariff Record

STATEMENT OF RATES

(Rates Per Dekatherm)

Rate Schedule and Rate	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2023	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2025	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2026
Firm Transportation Services: <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup>			
Rate Schedule FT-1			
Monthly Reservation Rate			
Maximum	\$4.3407	\$3.7813	\$3.5963
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Usage Rate			
Maximum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Daily Overrun Rate			
Maximum	\$0.1427	\$0.1243	\$0.1182
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Rate Schedule FT-2			
Monthly Reservation Rate			
Maximum	\$6.2385	\$5.4345	\$5.1685
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Usage Rate			
Maximum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Daily Overrun Rate			
Maximum	\$0.2051	\$0.1787	\$0.1699
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000

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(Rates Per Dekatherm)

Rate Schedule and Rate	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2023	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2025	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2026
Interruptible Transportation Services: (1)(2)(3)			
Rate Schedule IT-1			
Usage Rate			
Maximum	\$0.1427	\$0.1243	\$0.1182
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Daily Overrun Rate			
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Rate Schedule and Rate	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2023	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2025	Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2026
Enhanced Aggregation and Wheeling (EAW) Service: <sup>(2)</sup>			
Rate Schedule EAW – Firm Service			
Monthly Reservation Rate			
Maximum	\$0.2778	\$0.2778	\$0.2778
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Usage Rate			
Maximum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Overrun Rate			
Maximum	\$0.0091	\$0.0091	\$0.0091
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Rate Schedule EAW – Interruptible Service			
Usage Rate			
Maximum	\$0.0091	\$0.0091	\$0.0091
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000

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Parking and Lending (PAL) Services:

Rate Schedule PAL

NPL Service

Daily Usage Rate

Maximum	\$0.1427	\$0.1243	\$0.1182
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000

RPL Service

Daily Reservation Rate

Maximum	\$0.1427	\$0.1243	\$0.1182
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000

Market Aggregation Service:

Rate Schedule MA

Maximum	\$0.0200	\$0.0200	\$0.0200
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000

Transporter's Use Gas Percentage <sup>(2)</sup> 0.35%

Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge <sup>(3)</sup> \$0.0060

<sup>(1)</sup> Pursuant to Section 31 of the General Terms and Conditions, the maximum and minimum Firm Transportation Usage Rates and Overrun Rates and the maximum and minimum Interruptible Transportation Usage Rates and Overrun Rates shall be increased to include the Commission-authorized Annual Charge Adjustment as published on the Commission's web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov>.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Transporter's Use Gas Percentage is calculated in accordance with Section 32 of the General Terms and Conditions. Shipper shall provide at the Point(s) of Receipt Transporter's Use Gas in-kind on Rate Schedules FT-1, FT-2, IT-1, IT-2 and EAW. EAW Firm and Interruptible Service Usage quantities received by Transporter from or for the account of Shipper from a Point of Receipt that is not a Low Pressure Receipt Point shall not be subject to a Transporter's Use Gas charge.

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Appendix C  
Marked Tariff Record



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Rate Schedule IT-1			
Usage Rate			
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