

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.
Docket No. RP23-92-001

Issued: March 16, 2023

On February 21, 2023, Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C. filed a tariff record¹ to implement the terms of the settlement filed in Docket No. RP23-92-000 (Settlement), which was approved by the Commission on February 15, 2023.² Pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Pipeline Regulation, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307, the tariff record is accepted, effective April 1, 2023, as proposed in the Settlement.

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

¹ Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C., Guardian FERC Gas Tariff, [Part 5.0, Statement of Rates \(49.0.0\)](#).

² *Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.*, 182 FERC ¶ 61,090 (2023).

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February 21, 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.
Tariff Volume No. 1
Compliance Filing to Implement RP22-725-000 Settlement Rates
Docket No. RP23-92-001

Dear Ms. Bose:

Pursuant to section 4 of the Natural Gas Act¹ (“NGA”) and part 154 of the Regulations² of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”), Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C. (“Guardian”) respectfully submits the tariff records listed below as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Volume No. 1 (“Tariff”). The proposed Tariff revision is submitted to become effective April 1, 2023:

Part 5.0, Statement of Rates, v. 49.0.0

I. Statement of Nature, Reasons, and Basis for Proposed Rate Change

On October 28, 2022, Guardian filed a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement (“Settlement”) pursuant to Rules 207(a)(5) and 602 of the Commission’s regulations to establish the Settlement rates as Guardian’s base tariff rates.³ On December 6, 2022, the Presiding Administrative Law Judge certified the Settlement to the Commission as an uncontested settlement with an effective date of April 1, 2023.⁴ On February 15, 2023, the Commission issued an Order (“Order”) approving the Settlement and directed Guardian to file in eTariff “actual tariff records, consistent with the terms of the Settlement.”⁵ Guardian

¹ 15 U.S.C. § 717c.

² 18 C.F.R. part 154.

³ *Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.*, Stipulation and Offer of Settlement, Docket No. RP23-92-000 (Oct. 28, 2022).

⁴ *Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.*, 181 FERC ¶ 63,023 (2022).

⁵ *Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.*, 182 FERC ¶ 61,090 at P 5 (2023).

respectfully submits herein the necessary tariff revisions to implement the *pro forma* sheets consistent with the Settlement.

II. List of Materials Enclosed

In accordance with section 154.7 of the Commission's Regulations, Guardian states that the following items are included in this filing:

- (1) an eTariff XML filing package containing the proposal in electronic format;
- (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 – a clean version of the tariff record in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary; and
- (4) Appendix B – a marked version of the tariff record in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary.

III. Proposed Effective

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(3) of the Commission's regulations, Guardian respectfully requests that the tariff record submitted herewith be approved by the Commission effective April 1, 2023 consistent with the Settlement and Order. In accordance with section 154.7(a)(9) of the Commission's regulations, Guardian hereby files to place the revised tariff records into effect at the end of any suspension period if one is so ordered by the Commission in this proceeding.

IV. Waivers

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 sheets may be made effective as proposed. No waiver of Guardian's Tariff is herein requested.

V. 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.

Guardian respectfully requests that all Commission orders and correspondence, as well as pleadings and correspondence from other persons, concerning this filing be served upon:

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary

February 21, 2023

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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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Denise A. Adams

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Attachments

Appendix A

Clean Tariff Records

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: ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾			
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

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
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			
Maximum	\$0.1427	\$0.1243	\$0.1182
Minimum	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
Rate Schedule IT-2			
Usage Rate			
Maximum	\$0.2051	\$0.1787	\$0.1699
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
Enhanced Aggregation and Wheeling (EAW) Service: ⁽²⁾			
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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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
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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 ⁽²⁾ 0.35%

Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge ⁽³⁾ \$0.0268

⁽¹⁾ 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>.

⁽²⁾ 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.

⁽³⁾ The Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge is calculated in accordance with Section 34 of the General Terms and Conditions. Transportation usage rates and overrun rates shall be increased to include the Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge on Rate Schedules FT-1, FT-2, IT-1 and IT-2.

Appendix B

Marked Tariff Records

STATEMENT OF RATES

(Rates Per Dekatherm)

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

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth</u>	<u>Electric Power Cost Recovery Rate</u>	<u>Rate After Adjustment</u>	<u>Transporter's Use Gas</u>
<u>Firm Transportation Services:(1)</u>				
<u>Rate Schedule FT-1</u>				
<u>—Max Monthly Reservation Rate</u>	<u>\$ 4.6641</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$4.6641</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>—Min Monthly Reservation Rate</u>	<u>-0.0000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0.0000</u>	<u>-</u>

—Max Usage Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
—Min Usage Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
—Max Daily Overrun Rate	0.1533	0.0268	0.1801	0.35 %
—Min Daily Overrun Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
Rate Schedule FT 2				
—Max Monthly Reservation Rate	\$ 6.7032	-	\$ 6.7032	-
—Min Monthly Reservation Rate	-0.0000	-	-0.0000	-
—Max Usage Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
—Min Usage Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
—Max Daily Overrun Rate	0.2205	0.0268	0.2473	0.35 %
—Min Daily Overrun Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %

~~(1) Pursuant to Section 31 of the General Terms and Conditions, the maximum and minimum Firm 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>.~~

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<u>Rate Schedule and Rate</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2023</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2025</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2026</u>
<u>Interruptible Transportation Services:</u> (1)(2)(3)			
<u>Rate Schedule IT-1</u>			
<u>Usage Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.1427</u>	<u>\$0.1243</u>	<u>\$0.1182</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Daily Overrun Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.1427</u>	<u>\$0.1243</u>	<u>\$0.1182</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Rate Schedule IT-2</u>			
<u>Usage Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.2051</u>	<u>\$0.1787</u>	<u>\$0.1699</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Daily Overrun Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.2051</u>	<u>\$0.1787</u>	<u>\$0.1699</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth</u>	<u>Electric Power Cost Recovery Rate</u>	<u>Rate After Adjustment</u>	<u>Transporter's Use Gas</u>
<u>Interruptible Transportation Services:(1)</u>				
<u>Rate Schedule IT-1</u>				
<u>—Max Usage Rate</u>	0.1533	0.0268	0.1801	0.35 %
<u>—Min Usage Rate</u>	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
<u>—Max Daily Overrun Rate</u>	0.1533	0.0268	0.1801	0.35 %
<u>—Min Daily Overrun Rate</u>	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
<u>Rate Schedule IT-2</u>				

—Max Usage Rate	0.2205	0.0268	0.2473	0.35 %
—Min Usage Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %
—Max Daily Overrun Rate	0.2205	0.0268	0.2473	0.35 %
—Min Daily Overrun Rate	0.0000	0.0268	0.0268	0.35 %

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<u>Rate Schedule and Rate</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2023</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2025</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2026</u>
<u>Enhanced Aggregation and Wheeling (EAW) Service: ⁽²⁾</u>			
<u>Rate Schedule EAW – Firm Service</u>			
<u>Monthly Reservation Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.2778</u>	<u>\$0.2778</u>	<u>\$0.2778</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Usage Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Overrun Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.0091</u>	<u>\$0.0091</u>	<u>\$0.0091</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>
<u>Rate Schedule EAW – Interruptible Service</u>			
<u>Usage Rate</u>			
<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.0091</u>	<u>\$0.0091</u>	<u>\$0.0091</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>

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<u>Rate Schedule and Rate</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2023</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2025</u>	<u>Base Rate Per Dth Effective April 1, 2026</u>
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Parking and Lending (PAL) Services:

Rate Schedule PAL

NPL Service

Daily Usage Rate

<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.1427</u>	<u>\$0.1243</u>	<u>\$0.1182</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>

RPL Service

Daily Reservation Rate

<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.1427</u>	<u>\$0.1243</u>	<u>\$0.1182</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>

Market Aggregation Service:

Rate Schedule MA

<u>Maximum</u>	<u>\$0.0200</u>	<u>\$0.0200</u>	<u>\$0.0200</u>
<u>Minimum</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>

Transporter's Use Gas Percentage ⁽²⁾ 0.35%

Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge ⁽³⁾ \$0.0268

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⁽³⁾ The Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge is calculated in accordance with Section 34 of the General Terms and Conditions. Transportation usage rates and overrun rates shall be increased to include the Electric Power Cost Recovery Surcharge on Rate Schedules FT-1, FT-2, IT-1 and IT-2.

Rate Schedule	Base Rate Per Dth	Electric Power Cost Recovery Rate	Rate After Adjustment	Transporter's Use Gas
Enhanced Aggregation and Wheeling Service:				
Rate Schedule EAW				
Firm Service				
— Max Monthly Reservation Rate	\$ 0.2778	-	\$ 0.2778	-
— Min Monthly Reservation Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	-
— Max Usage Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	0.35 % (1)
— Min Usage Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	0.35 % (1)
— Max Overrun Rate	0.0091	-	0.0091	0.35 % (1)
— Min Overrun Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	0.35 % (1)
Interruptible Service				
— Max Usage Rate	\$ 0.0091	-	\$ 0.0091	0.35 % (1)
— Min Usage Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	0.35 % (1)
Parking and Lending Services:				
Rate Schedule PAL				
NPL Service				
— Max Daily Usage Rate	\$ 0.1533	-	\$ 0.1533	-
— Min Daily Usage Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	-
RPL Service				
— Max Daily Reservation Rate	\$ 0.1533	-	\$ 0.1533	-
— Min Daily Reservation Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	-
Market Aggregation Service:				
Rate Schedule MA				
— Max Rate	\$ 0.0200	-	\$ 0.0200	-
— Min Rate	0.0000	-	0.0000	-

~~(1) Applies to quantities received from a Low Pressure Receipt Point~~