

November 9, 2021

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

Re: OkTex Pipeline Company, L.L.C.

Order No. 587-Z Compliance Filing

NAESB WGQ Business Practice Standards, Version 3.2

Docket No. RP22-205-000

Dear Ms. Bose:

Pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 154 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission") regulations and the Commission's Order No. 587-Z¹ issued July 15, 2021 in Docket No. RM96-1-042, OkTex Pipeline Company, L.L.C. ("OkTex") 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 June 1, 2022.

Part 8.39, NAESB WGQ Standards, v. 5.0.0

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

On July 15, 2021, in Docket No. RM96-1-042, the Commission issued Order No. 587-Z (the "Order") amending Section 284.12 of its open access regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 284.12, governing standards for conducting business practices and electronic communications with interstate natural gas pipelines. Specifically, the Commission adopted, with certain enumerated exceptions, the latest version ("Version 3.2") of the consensus industry standards promulgated by the Wholesale Gas Quadrant ("WGQ") of the North American Energy Standards Board ("NAESB") by incorporating these standards by reference into its regulations.

The revised tariff record included herein reflects the Version 3.2 standards adopted by the Order and incorporated by reference into the Commission's regulations. Additionally, General

¹ Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, Docket No. RM96-1-042; Order No. 587-Z, 176 FERC ¶ 61,015 (July 15, 2021).

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Terms & Conditions Section 39 of the Tariff reflects the format of the tariff provision set forth in the Sample Tariff Record issued by the Commission on August 3, 2021.²

Adoption of Standards

Consistent with the requirements in Order No. 587-Z,³ OkTex submits herein revisions to Section 39 of the General Terms and Conditions ("GT&C") of its Tariff to reflect the latest version of the NAESB standards adopted by the Commission in Order No. 587-Z. OkTex proposes to adopt by reference the new NAESB standards ("Standards 3.3.27, 4.3.107, 4.3.108, 4.3.109, 4.3.110, 10.2.39, 10.3.28, and 10.3.29") and remove reference to deleted standards ("Standards 4.3.61 and 4.3.83").

OkTex also proposes to adopt by reference the modifications to existing referenced standards required by NAESB Version 3.2. Section 39 of the GT&C has been revised to reference NAESB Version 3.2 and update NAESB's limited copyright waiver language.

Request for Waiver of Standard 4.3.60

The NAESB Standard 4.3.60, Version 3.2, has the following wording: "A Customer Activities Web Site should require a single logon/password pair for each user session." To provide improved web site security, OkTex recently completed implementation of two-factor authentication for users logging onto its customer activities web site. OkTex believes implementation of two-factor authentication for user logon meets (and exceeds) the requirements of NAESB Standard 4.3.60 in Version 3.2. However, in the event the Commission believes OkTex's implementation of two-factor authentication requires a waiver of NAESB Standard 4.3.60, Version 3.2, OkTex hereby requests that waiver. OkTex has listed NAESB Standard 4.3.60 in the waivers section of its Tariff Section 39.

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;
- 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.

² Sample Tariff Record General Terms and Conditions in Compliance with 18 C.F.R., Section 284.12, Docket No. RM96-1-042 (August 3, 2021).

³ *Id*.

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Proposed Effective Date

Pursuant to section 154.207 of the Commission's regulations, OkTex respectfully requests that the proposed tariff record be approved effective June 1, 2022. In accordance with section 154.7(a)(9) of the Commission's regulations, OkTex hereby files a motion to place the proposed tariff record into effect at the end of any suspension period if one is so ordered by the Commission in this proceeding.

Waivers and Extensions of Time

In accordance with the Commission's policy on waiver requests from Order No. 587-Z,⁴ OkTex has not requested any additional waivers of Version 3.2 of NAESB's standards beyond its request above for Standard 4.3.60. Further, OkTex has not requested an extension beyond June 1, 2022 for implementation of NAESB Version 3.2 Standards.

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(7) of the Commission's regulations, OkTex has not identified any additional waivers of the Commission's regulations needed to permit its filing to become effective as proposed; however, OkTex 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 record may be made effective as proposed.

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 OkTex'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 (subject to COVID 19 protections) at OkTex's office at 100 West Fifth Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

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.

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⁴ *Id.* at P 18.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

Appendix A Clean Tariff Record

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39. NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY STANDARDS BOARD WHOLESALE GAS QUADRANT ("NAESB WGQ") STANDARDS

Compliance with 18 CFR, Section 284.12

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<u>NAESB</u> <u>Standard</u>	Tariff Record	Tariff Provision
Nominations Ro	elated Standards:	
1.3.2 (i-vi)	Part 8.10, Operating Information, Estimates,	10.4(a)(i-vi)
	Nomination, Scheduling and Balancing	
1.3.51	Part 8.10, Operating Information, Estimates,	10.5
	Nomination, Scheduling and Balancing	
Flowing Gas Re	elated Standards:	
2.3.1	Part 8.10, Operating Information, Estimates, Nomination, Scheduling and Balancing	10.8
2.3.16	Part 8.10, Operating Information, Estimates,	10.8
	Nomination, Scheduling and Balancing	
Invoicing Relat	ed Standards:	
3.3.14	Part 8.7, Billing and Payments	7.1
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Capacity Release Related Standards:

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5.3.4	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.6
5.3.7	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.4
5.3.8	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.7
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5.3.11	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.7
5.3.12	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.5
5.3.13	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.5
5.3.14	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.5
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5.3.16	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.5
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5.3.21	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.14
5.3.24	Part 8.33, Capacity Release	33.7
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Standards Incorporated by Reference:

Additional Standards:

General:

Definition:

0.2.5

Standards:

0.3.1, 0.3.2, 0.3.16, 0.3.17

Creditworthiness:

Standards:

 $0.3.3,\, 0.3.4,\, 0.3.5,\, 0.3.6,\, 0.3.7,\, 0.3.8,\, 0.3.9,\, 0.3.10$

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Gas/Electric Operational Communications:

Definitions:

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Standards:

0.3.11, 0.3.12, 0.3.13, 0.3.14, 0.3.15

Operating Capacity and Unsubscribed:

Standards:

0.3.18, 0.3.20, 0.3.21, 0.3.22

Datasets:

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Location Data Download:

Standards:

0.3.23, 0.3.24, 0.3.25, 0.3.26, 0.3.27, 0.3.28, 0.3.29

Dataset:

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Storage Information:

Dataset:

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Nominations Related Standards:

Definitions:

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Standards:

1.3.1, 1.3.3, 1.3.4, 1.3.5, 1.3.6, 1.3.7, 1.3.8, 1.3.9, 1.3.11, 1.3.13, 1.3.14, 1.3.15, 1.3.16, 1.3.17, 1.3.18, 1.3.19, 1.3.20, 1.3.21, 1.3.22, 1.3.23, 1.3.24, 1.3.25, 1.3.26, 1.3.27, 1.3.28, 1.3.29, 1.3.30, 1.3.31, 1.3.32, 1.3.33, 1.3.34, 1.3.35, 1.3.36, 1.3.37, 1.3.38, 1.3.39, 1.3.40, 1.3.41, 1.3.42, 1.3.43, 1.3.44, 1.3.45, 1.3.46, 1.3.48, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.64, 1.3.65, 1.3.66, 1.3.67, 1.3.68, 1.3.69, 1.3.70, 1.3.71, 1.3.72, 1.3.73, 1.3.74, 1.3.75, 1.3.76, 1.3.77, 1.3.79, 1.3.80, 1.3.81, 1.3.82

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Flowing Gas Related Standards:

Principle:

2.1.4

Definitions:

2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.3, 2.2.4, 2.2.5

Standards:

2.3.2, 2.3.3, 2.3.4, 2.3.5, 2.3.6, 2.3.7, 2.3.8, 2.3.9, 2.3.10, 2.3.11, 2.3.12, 2.3.13, 2.3.14, 2.3.15, 2.3.17, 2.3.18, 2.3.19, 2.3.20, 2.3.21, 2.3.22, 2.3.23, 2.3.25, 2.3.26, 2.3.27, 2.3.28, 2.3.29, 2.3.30, 2.3.31, 2.3.32, 2.3.40, 2.3.41, 2.3.42, 2.3.43, 2.3.44, 2.3.45, 2.3.46, 2.3.47, 2.3.48, 2.3.50, 2.3.51, 2.3.52, 2.3.53, 2.3.54, 2.3.55, 2.3.56, 2.3.57, 2.3.58, 2.3.59, 2.3.60, 2.3.61, 2.3.62, 2.3.63, 2.3.64, 2.3.65, 2.3.66

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Invoicing Related Standards:

Definition:

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Standards:

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Quadrant Electronic Delivery Mechanism Related Standards:

Definitions:

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Capacity Release Related Standards:

Definitions:

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Standards:

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Internet Electronic Transport Related Standards:

Definitions:

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Standards for which Waiver or Extension of Time to Comply have been granted:

NAESB Standard Waiver or Extension of Time Waiver

Appendix B Marked Tariff Record

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Creditworthiness:

Standards:

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Operating Capacity and Unsubscribed:

Standards:

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Standards:

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Storage Information:

Dataset:

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Standards:

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Flowing Gas Related Standards:

Principle:

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Definitions:

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Standards for which Waiver or Extension of Time to Comply have been granted:

NAESB Standard Waiver or Extension of Time

4.3.60 Waiver

179 FERC ¶ 61,150 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Richard Glick, Chairman;

James P. Danly, Allison Clements, Mark C. Christie, and Willie L. Phillips.

East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC	Docket Nos. RP22-31-000
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Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC	RP22-33-000
Saltville Gas Storage Company L.L.C.	RP22-34-000
Northern Natural Gas Company	RP22-66-000
Egan Hub Storage, LLC	RP22-72-000
Bobcat Gas Storage	RP22-73-000
Steckman Ridge, LP	RP22-74-000
Black Hills Shoshone Pipeline, LLC	RP22-75-000
Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC	RP22-76-000
Big Sandy Pipeline, LLC	RP22-77-000
Elba Express Company, L.L.C.	RP22-80-000
Midcontinent Express Pipeline LLC	RP22-81-000
Southern LNG Company, L.L.C.	RP22-82-000
Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.	RP22-83-000
Sabine Pipe Line LLC	RP22-104-000
Garden Banks Gas Pipeline, LLC	RP22-122-000
Mississippi Canyon Gas Pipeline, L.L.C.	RP22-125-000
Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-166-000
Stagecoach Pipeline & Storage Company LLC	RP22-168-000
Arlington Storage Company, LLC	RP22-170-000
Discovery Gas Transmission LLC	RP22-182-000
B-R Pipeline, LLC	RP22-191-000
USG Pipeline Company, LLC	RP22-195-000
KO Transmission Company	RP22-197-000
ANR Storage Company	RP22-203-000
Midwestern Gas Transmission Company	RP22-204-000
OkTex Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-205-000
Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C.	RP22-206-000
Viking Gas Transmission Company	RP22-207-000
Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.	RP22-209-000
NEXUS Gas Transmission, LLC	RP22-210-000
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Dominion Energy Overthrust Pipeline, LLC	RP22-212-000
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Dauphin Island Gathering Partners	RP22-216-000
Carolina Gas Transmission, LLC	RP22-218-000
KPC Pipeline, LLC	RP22-219-000
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WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.	RP22-221-000
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MarkWest Pioneer, L.L.C.	RP22-234-000
Rendezvous Pipeline Company, LLC	RP22-235-000
El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.	RP22-237-000
Mojave Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-237-000 RP22-238-000
Blue Lake Gas Storage Company Chavenna Plains Cas Pinalina Company L. L. C.	RP22-238-000 RP22-239-000
Cheyenne Plains Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-239-000 RP22-240-000
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Wyoming Interstate Company, L.L.C.	RP22-241-000
Ruby Pipeline, L.L.C.	RP22-242-000
TransColorado Gas Transmission Company LLC	RP22-243-000
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Young Gas Storage Company, Ltd.	RP22-245-000
Pine Prairie Energy Center, LLC	RP22-247-000
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Nautilus Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-252-000
Texas Eastern Transmission, LP	RP22-253-000
Leaf River Energy Center LLC	RP22-257-000
Spire Storage West LLC	RP22-258-000
Golden Triangle Storage, Inc.	RP22-260-000
Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC	RP22-261-000
Portland General Electric Company	RP22-264-000
Rockies Express Pipeline LLC	RP22-265-000
Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC	RP22-266-000
Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC	RP22-267-000
ANR Pipeline Company	RP22-268-000
Kinder Morgan Illinois Pipeline LLC	RP22-270-000
Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC	RP22-272-000
Horizon Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-273-000
Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.	RP22-277-000
Gulf South Pipeline Company, LLC	RP22-278-000
Texas Gas Transmission, LLC	RP22-279-000

Boardwalk Storage Company, LLC	RP22-280-000
Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.	RP22-283-000
DBM Pipeline, LLC	RP22-284-000
Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC	RP22-296-000
Bluewater Gas Storage, LLC	RP22-297-000
Stingray Pipeline Company, L.L.C.	RP22-298-000
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PPG Shawville Pipeline, LLC	RP22-301-000
Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.	RP22-303-000
WestGas InterState, Inc.	RP22-305-000
TransCameron Pipeline, LLC	RP22-306-000
Spire STL Pipeline LLC	RP22-310-000
East Cheyenne Gas Storage, LLC	RP22-315-000
Western Gas Interstate Company	RP22-316-000
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MoGas Pipeline LLC	RP22-596-000
Wyckoff Gas Storage Company, LLC	RP22-616-000
PGPipeline LLC	RP22-680-000
Double E Pipeline, LLC	RP22-814-000
Carlsbad Gateway, LLC	RP22-878-000
Roaring Fork Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC	RP22-929-000

ORDER ON FILINGS IN COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER NO. 587-Z

(Issued May 27, 2022)

1. The above-captioned interstate natural gas pipelines each submitted a tariff filing to comply with the requirements established in Order No. 587-Z¹ issued in Docket No. RM96-1-042. The proposed tariff provisions implement the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) Wholesale Gas Quadrant's (WGQ) revised business practice standards the Commission incorporated by reference in that Final Rule. As discussed below, the tariff records are accepted, to become effective June 1, 2022, as discussed in the body of this order.

¹ Standards for Business Pracs. of Interstate Nat. Gas Pipelines, Order No. 587-Z, 176 FERC ¶ 61,015 (2021).

I. Background

- On July 15, 2021, the Commission issued Order No. 587-Z, a Final Rule 2. amending its regulations to incorporate by reference, with certain enumerated exceptions, the latest version (Version 3.2) of business practice standards adopted by the WGQ of NAESB applicable to interstate natural gas pipelines. The revisions made by NAESB in this version of the standards are designed to enhance the natural gas industries' system and software security measures and to clarify the processing of certain business transactions. Most notably, NAESB adopted revisions to the WGQ Electronic Delivery Mechanism (EDM)² Related Business Practice Standards, which establish the framework for the electronic dissemination and communication of information between parties in the North American wholesale gas marketplace, and to the WGQ Internet Electronic Transport (IET)³ Related Business Practice Standards, which define the implementation of various technologies necessary to communicate transactions and other electronic data using standard protocols for electronic commerce over the internet between trading partners. Under Order No. 587-Z, interstate natural gas pipelines were required to file compliance filings with the Commission by November 12, 2021 and are required to comply with the standards incorporated by reference in Order No. 587-Z on and after June 1, 2022.
- 3. Each of the above-captioned interstate natural gas pipelines filed tariff records to adopt Version 3.2 of the NAESB WGQ Standards.

II. Notice of Filings

4. Public notice of these filings was issued, with interventions and protests due as provided in section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations.⁴ Pursuant to Rule 214,⁵ all timely motions to intervene are granted. No protests or adverse comments were filed.

² EDM standards relate to the use of the Internet for pertinent business practice and electronic communications.

³ IET refers to electronic transaction messaging standards which, in concert with Quadrant-specific EDM (QEDM), enable NAESB parties to securely and reliably exchange transactions over the Internet.

⁴ 18 C.F.R. § 154.210 (2021).

⁵ 18 C.F.R. § 385,214 (2021).

III. <u>Discussion</u>

A. Waiver Requests

- 5. In Order No. 587-V, the Commission set out the principles it would apply generally to waiver requests.⁶ In general, the Commission found that all requests for waivers and extensions of time will be granted only in reference to the individual set of NAESB standards being adopted (in this case the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards). The Commission determined interstate natural gas pipelines will need to seek renewal of any such waivers or extensions for each version of the standards the Commission adopts. The Commission also stated that waivers or extensions of time will not be granted for standards that merely describe the process by which a pipeline must perform a business function, if it performs that function, and where the standard does not require the pipeline to perform the business function. In such a case, as long as the pipeline does not perform the business function, it does not trigger a requirement to comply with the standard and hence no waiver or extension of time is required.⁷
- 6. A number of pipelines sought waiver of the requirements of Order No. 587-Z, or extensions of time in which to comply with that Final Rule. These requests are discussed below. Any waivers or extensions of time granted herein are limited to the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards promulgated by Order No. 587-Z.

1. Waiver of the Nomination Timeline

7. National Grid LNG, LLC (NG LNG) requests continuation of its waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.2(i-vi) governing standard and intra-day timelines with respect to trucking operations and vapor deliveries by displacement. NG LNG states that the Commission previously has granted it such a waiver,⁸ and that it continues to operate on the same basis on which the prior waiver was granted.⁹ For good cause shown, we

⁶ Standards for Business Pracs. of Interstate Nat. Gas Pipelines, Order No. 587-V, 140 FERC ¶ 61,036, at PP 38-39 (2012).

⁷ *Id.* P 38.

 $^{^8}$ E. Tenn. Nat. Gas, LLC, Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC ¶ 61,061 (2019) (Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y).

⁹ NG LNG Transmittal at 2 (citing Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC ¶ 61,061 at PP 10, 40, 45, 51, 53-54. *See Algonquin LNG, Inc.*, 86 FERC ¶ 61,285 (1999) (*Algonquin LNG*) (finding that the nominations Standards are not applicable to liquefied natural gas (LNG) being transported by truck, because those Standards are intended to standardize nominations and scheduling across the interstate pipeline grid); *Algonquin LNG, Inc.*, 83 FERC ¶ 61,133 (1998) (*Algonquin*) (where the

grant NG LNG continuation of its requested waiver of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.2(i-vi) governing standard and intra-day timelines, concerning trucking operations and vapor deliveries by displacement, until such time as NG LNG becomes integrated with the interstate pipeline grid.

2. Waiver of the Electronic Data Interchange Data Sets, Electronic Delivery Mechanism Standards, and "Customer Activities" Website Requirements

- 8. In Order No. 587-V, the Commission explained its policy towards requests for waivers or extensions of time of the Standards related to using the Internet to conduct business transactions and the Standards requiring pipelines to use Electronic Data Interchange (EDI).¹⁰ These electronic requirements fall into three categories:
 - 1) The requirement to conduct business over the Internet. The Commission stated that the requirement to conduct business over the Internet will be evaluated based on a pipeline's individual circumstances, such as the size of the pipeline, the number of shippers, its ability to provide electronic services, the demand for such services, and alternative means by which the pipeline conducts the business practice.
 - 2) The requirement to post information on an Internet website. The Commission found that it will rarely grant waivers or extensions of time to comply with the posting requirements because posting of this information is required by the Commission's regulations and the cost of maintaining and posting information on an Internet website is not great even for smaller pipelines.

Commission granted waiver of the nominations Standards based on Algonquin's assertion that such intra-day nominations are not possible for deliveries of LNG by truck to storage or from storage to trucks, because the LNG trucking load and unloading facilities can only accommodate two trucks per day).

¹⁰ EDI standards require computer-to-computer electronic data interchange of information in files as mapped from the NAESB WGQ datasets and communicated between trading partners over the Internet using the NAESB Internet Electronic Transport.

- 3) The requirement to support EDI. The Commission stated it will evaluate waivers or extensions of time to comply with the EDI requirements based on a pipeline's individual circumstances, such as the size of the pipeline, the number of shippers, its ability to provide electronic services, the demand for such services, and alternative means by which the pipeline conducts the business practice. For smaller pipelines, the Commission generally grants waivers of the EDI Standards when such pipelines have shown that complying with such Standards would prove unduly burdensome.
- KO Transmission Company (KOT) requests continuation of its waiver of the 9. NAESB WGQ EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website. In support of its request, KOT states that it owns a percentage of the facilities operated by Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gas) and asserts that certain NAESB WGQ Standards related to the operational responsibilities and activities are carried out by Columbia Gas. KOT further states that those operational responsibilities and activities are listed on Columbia Gas' Navigates website under the heading "Customer Activities," and KOT does not maintain a Customer Activities section on its own website. KOT explains that the implementation of the EDI/EDM related standards (i.e., installation of the computer hardware and software necessary to conduct all of the contemplated transactions via the Internet) would be prohibitively expensive given KOT's small size and revenue stream. In addition, KOT explains that the operational circumstances and technical capabilities of KOT based on the shared ownership of facilities have not changed. KOT states that the Commission previously has granted KOT a waiver of the NAESB WGQ Standards relating to EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website. 11 For good cause shown, we grant KOT continuation of its requested waivers. 12

 $^{^{11}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 12.

¹² NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.3.27 through 0.3.29, 1.3.3, 1.3.23, 1.3.36, 1.3.37, 1.3.38, 1.3.45, 1.3.48, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.79, 1.3.81, 1.4.7, 2.3.21, 2.3.32, 2.3.51 through 2.3.53, 2.3.66, 3.3.22 through 3.3.24, 4.3.1 through 4.3.3, 4.3.27, 4.3.28, 4.3.42 through 4.3.49, 4.3.52 through 4.3.55, 4.3.57, 4.3.58, 4.3.60, 4.3.62, 4.3.66 through 4.3.68, 4.3.75, 4.3.78 through 4.3.82, 4.3.84, 4.3.85, 4.3.87, 4.3.100, 4.3.101, 4.3.106, 4.3.109, 4.3.110, 5.3.10, 5.3.11, 5.3.13, 5.3.14, 5.3.32, 5.3.34, 5.3.40 through 5.3.42, 5.3.48, 5.3.72, 10.2.39, 10.3.1, 10.3.3 through 10.3.12, and 10.3.14 through 10.3.29.

- 10. MoGas Pipeline LLC (MoGas) requests continuation of its waiver of the NAESB WGQ Standards related to EDI datasets. In support of its request, MoGas states that as a small pipeline it previously was granted waivers of the NAESB WGQ Standards relating to EDI datasets.¹³ Further, MoGas states that none of its shippers have requested the use of EDI. For good cause shown, we grant MoGas continuation of its requested waivers.¹⁴
- 11. WestGas InterState, Inc. (WGI) requests continuation of its waiver of the NAESB WGQ EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website. In support of its request, WGI states that the Commission previously has granted WGI waivers of the NAESB WGQ Standards relating to EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website due to WGI's operational and market circumstances. WGI explains that its system consists of an 11-mile pipeline with one receipt and two delivery points. WGI asserts that it only has two firm shippers and has never received a request from any shipper for capacity release. WGI states that it complies with the Commission's communications and reporting requirements through means that do not require an interactive website or adoption of EDM/EDI communications standards and will continue to comply with those specified standards in that manner. For good cause shown, we grant WGI continuation of its requested waivers.

 $^{^{13}}$ MoGas Transmittal at 1-2 (citing *MoGas Pipeline LLC*, 157 FERC \P 61,036, at P 9 (2016)).

¹⁴ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.4.2, 0.4.3, 1.4.1 through 1.4.7, 2.4.1 through 2.4.8, 2.4.10, 2.4.11, 2.4.17, 2.4.18, 3.4.1 through 3.4.4, 5.4.14 through 5.4.17, 5.4.24 through 5.4.27.

¹⁵ WGI November 12, 2021 Transmittal at 2-6.

 $^{^{16}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 15.

¹⁷ WGI November 12, 2021 Transmittal at 2.

¹⁸ *Id.* at 4.

¹⁹ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.3.18, 0.3.20 through 0.3.23, 0.3.25 through 0.3.29, 1.3.48, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.81, 2.3.32, 2.3.40, 2.3.46, 2.3.66, 3.3.23, 3.3.24, 4.3.1 through 4.3.3, 4.3.22, 4.3.24 through 4.3.28, 4.3.31 through 4.3.36, 4.3.38, 4.3.40 through 4.3.50, 4.3.52 through 4.3.55, 4.3.57, 4.3.58, 4.3.60, 4.3.66 through 4.3.69, 4.3.72, 4.3.75, 4.3.78 through 4.3.82, 4.3.84, 4.3.85,

- 12. Total Peaking Services, L.L.C. (Total Peaking) requests continuation of its waiver of the NAESB WGQ EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website. In support of its request, Total Peaking states that the Commission previously has granted Total Peaking waivers of the NAESB WGQ Standards relating to EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website due to Total Peaking's operational and market circumstances. Total Peaking explains that it has one customer, does not have an interactive website, and there are no internet electronic transport transactions. For good cause shown, we grant Total Peaking continuation of its requested waivers.
- 13. Gulf Shore Energy Partners, LP (Gulf Shore) requests continuation of its waiver of the NAESB WGQ EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website. In support of its request, Gulf Shore states that the Commission previously has granted Gulf Shore waivers of the NAESB WGQ Standards relating to EDI datasets, EDM Standards, and the "Customer Activities" section of its website due to Gulf Shore's operational and market circumstances. Gulf Shore explains that its system consists of a five-foot pipeline connecting the interstate pipeline systems of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco) and Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC. Gulf Shore notes that it only has one firm shipper, and one receipt point and one delivery point. Gulf Shore asserts that it has never received a request for a capacity release from any shipper. Gulf Shore contends that the implementation of the EDI/EDM related Standards would be unduly burdensome given Gulf Shore's small size

^{4.3.100, 4.3.103} through 4.3.106, 5.3.10, 5.3.11, 5.3.13, 5.3.14, 5.3.34, 5.3.41, 5.3.42, 5.3.48, 5.3.72, 5.3.73, 5.4.23, 10.3.6, 10.3.12, 10.3.16, and 10.3.18.

²⁰ Total Peaking Transmittal at 2-4.

 $^{^{21}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 17.

²² Total Peaking Transmittal at 1-3.

²³ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.3.22, 1.3.48, 1.3.51, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.79, 4.3.66 through 4.3.69, 4.3.94, 4.3.99 through 4.3.102, 5.3.31 through 5.3.33, 5.3.38, 5.3.70 through 5.3.72, 5.4.14 through 5.4.17, 10.3.1, 10.3.3 through 10.3.12, and 10.3.14 through 10.3.29.

²⁴ Gulf Shore Transmittal at 2.

 $^{^{25}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 19.

and limited number of customers.²⁶ For good cause shown, we grant Gulf Shore continuation of its requested waivers.²⁷

3. Waivers of Index-Based Capacity Release Standards

- 14. Carolina Gas Transmission, LLC (CGT)²⁸ and Total Peaking²⁹ request continuation of their waivers of the electronic requirements for the NAESB WGQ indexbased capacity release Standards 5.4.20, and 5.4.24 through 5.4.27. These Standards provide additional flexibility to shippers and create a uniform method that enables releasing and replacement shippers to use third-party rate indices to create rate formulas for capacity releases that will better reflect the value of capacity. Further, the Standards reflect a reasonable compromise for dealing with copyright issues that arise in using copyrighted gas indices to set prices, ensuring that shippers have a reasonable choice of available indices to use while equitably spreading the costs entailed by the use of such indices among the pipelines and shippers. In support of their requests, CGT and Total Peaking state that the Commission previously has granted a waiver of the electronic requirements for the index-based capacity release Standards.³⁰
- 15. For good cause shown, we find it appropriate to grant CGT and Total Peaking a continuation of their respective waivers of the electronic requirements for the NAESB WGQ index-based capacity release Version 3.2 Standards 5.4.20, and 5.4.24 through 5.4.27 based on the administrative burden and costs for CGT and Total Peaking, and the

²⁶ Gulf Shore Transmittal at 3.

²⁷ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.3.21, 0.3.22, 0.4.1 through 0.4.3, 1.3.48, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.79, 1.4.1 through 1.4.7, 2.3.6, 2.3.25, 2.3.32, 2.3.42, 2.3.51 through 2.3.53, 2.4.1 through 2.4.11, 2.4.17, 2.4.18, 3.3.23, 3.3.24, 3.4.1 through 3.4.4, 4.3.1 through 4.3.3, 4.3.16 through 4.3.18, 4.3.20, 4.3.22 through 4.3.28, 4.3.30 through 4.3.36, 4.3.38, 4.3.40 through 4.3.50, 4.3.52 through 4.3.55, 4.3.57, 4.3.58, 4.3.60, 4.3.62, 4.3.66 through 4.3.69, 4.3.72, 4.3.75, 4.3.78 through 4.3.82, 4.3.84 through 4.3.87, 4.3.89 through 4.3.110, 5.3.10, 5.3.13, 5.3.14, 5.3.35, 5.3.72, 5.4.14 through 5.4.17, 5.4.20 through 5.4.27, 10.3.1, 10.3.3 through 10.3.12, and 10.3.14 through 10.3.29.

²⁸ CGT Transmittal at 1-2.

²⁹ Total Peaking Transmittal at 2-4.

 $^{^{30}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 21.

low probability of a releasing shipper on the requesting pipeline's system requesting to use index-based pricing.

4. Waiver of Closing of Measurement Timeline

USG Pipeline Company, LLC (USG Pipeline) requests a continuation of its waiver 16. of NAESB WGQ Standard 2.3.7, which provides that "[t]he cutoff for the closing of measurement is 5 business days after business month."31 USG Pipeline states that it is a small pipeline with two customers and does not deliver gas to any other pipeline. USG Pipeline contends that it may not receive a closeout of upstream measurements within the timeline provided in NAESB WGQ Standard 2.3.7, because it relies on its upstream pipeline (i.e., East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC (East Tennessee)) for measurements of gas delivered into USG Pipeline. Therefore, USG Pipeline asserts that it needs additional time to process the information to close out measurements to its customer(s). Specifically, USG Pipeline requests that it be permitted to maintain its current tariff language, which allows USG Pipeline to close out measurements to its customer(s) up to three business days after it receives a closeout of an upstream pipeline's measurements.³² For good cause shown, we grant USG Pipeline a continuation of its requested waiver of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 2.3.7. This will afford USG Pipeline additional time to process the information to close out measurements to its customer(s).

5. Waiver of Bumping Requirements for Enhanced Nomination Services

17. Gulf South Pipeline Company, LLC (Gulf South) and Texas Gas Transmission, LLC (Texas Gas) request a continuation of their waivers of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.39, which provides that "[b]umping that affects transactions on multiple Transportation Service Providers (TSP) should occur at grid-wide synchronization times only." Both pipelines state that the Commission accepted their tariff filings to establish Enhanced Nominations Service (ENS) for firm shippers. Under these services, firm shippers have the right to bump interruptible service during additional nomination cycles occurring at times other than the pipeline's standard nomination cycles. The pipelines argue that a waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.39 is required to allow bumping to occur during their respective additional nomination cycles. For good cause shown, we grant Gulf South and Texas Gas a continuation of their requested waivers of NAESB

³¹ USG Pipeline Transmittal at 6.

³² *Id*.

 $^{^{33}}$ Texas Gas notes that its service does not permit bumping after ENS Additional Nomination Cycle No. 5. *See Tex. Gas Transmission, LLC*, 138 FERC ¶ 61,176, at P 3 (2012).

WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.39. This will afford the pipelines' ENS customers the additional opportunities to use such capacity included in this firm service.

18. ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) requests a continuation of its waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.39. ANR explains that General Terms and Conditions (GT&C) section 6.6.1 of ANR's tariff provides for seven total nomination cycles, with bumping allowed in the standard NAESB Evening, Intraday 1, and Intraday 2 nomination cycles, and limited bumping by Rate Schedule Firm Transportation Service (FTS)-3 shippers³⁴ in the standard NAESB Intraday 3 nomination cycle and additional non-standard Morning and Last Intraday nomination cycles. ANR asserts that its two additional non-standard nomination cycles are limited to receipt and delivery points located in ANR's Northern Segment, and were approved by the Commission as part of ANR's Order No. 637 compliance filing on December 20, 2001.³⁵ In support of its request, ANR argues that a waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.39 is required to allow limited bumping by Rate Schedule FTS-3 shippers to occur during its additional non-standard Morning and Last Intraday nomination cycles.³⁶ For good cause shown, we grant ANR a continuation of its requested waiver of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.39 as it pertains to its additional non-standard nomination cycles. This will afford ANR's Rate Schedule FTS-3 customers the additional opportunities to use such capacity included in this firm service.

6. Waiver of D-U-N-S Identification Number Requirements

19. Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), Rendezvous Pipeline Company, LLC (Rendezvous), and Portland General Electric Company (PGE) request a continuation of their respective waivers of NAESB WGQ Standard 0.3.2, which pertains to use of proprietary entity codes when the Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.'s D-U-N-S identification numbers for shippers (D-U-N-S® Number) is not available. The pipelines explain that they use the Tax Identification (Tax ID) number provided by the shipper in the D-U-N-S® Number field when the D-U-N-S® Number is not available. Therefore, the pipelines request a continuation of their waivers of NAESB WGQ Standard 0.3.2 to continue to use the shipper-provided Tax ID number if the shipper does not have a D-U-N-S® Number.³⁷

³⁴ Rate Schedule FTS-3, targeted primarily for electric generation providers, provides variable hourly flow rights, short notice commencement and shut-down service, and flexibility to manage variances between receipts and deliveries.

 $^{^{35}}$ ANR Pipeline Co., 97 FERC \P 61,323 (2001), order on reh'g and compliance, 104 FERC \P 61,320 (2003).

³⁶ ANR Transmittal at 4-5.

³⁷ Northern Transmittal at 3.

For good cause shown, we grant Northern, Rendezvous, and PGE a continuation of their requested waivers of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 0.3.2.

7. Waiver of Bumping During the Intraday 3 Nomination Cycle

20. ANR requests a continuation of its waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.2(v), limited only to that portion of the standard which states that bumping is not allowed during the Intraday 3 Nomination Cycle. ANR states that a waiver will allow Rate Schedule FTS-3³⁸ shippers to bump interruptible service in the Intraday 3 nomination cycle. In support of its request, ANR states that the remainder of ANR's Intraday 3 nomination cycle provision adheres to the timeline and notice requirements set forth in NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.2(v).³⁹ ANR states that the Commission previously has granted ANR a waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.2(v).⁴⁰ For good cause shown, we grant ANR a continuation of its requested waiver of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.2(v) as it pertains to its Rate Schedule FTS-3 service. This will afford ANR's FTS-3 customers the additional opportunities to use such capacity included in this firm service.

8. Waiver of Standard 2.3.31 On Imbalance Penalties

21. El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (EPNG) requests a continuation of its waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 2.3.31, which provides that "[n]o imbalance penalty should be imposed when a prior period adjustment applied to the current period causes or increases a current month penalty." In support of its request, EPNG states that, in lieu of following this standard, EPNG implemented Prior Period Measurement Adjustment (PPMA) provisions.⁴¹ Further, EPNG states that the Commission previously has

³⁸ As discussed above, Rate Schedule FTS-3, targeted primarily for electric generation providers, provides variable hourly flow rights, short notice commencement and shut-down service, and flexibility to manage variances between receipts and deliveries.

³⁹ ANR Transmittal at 3-4.

 $^{^{40}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 27.

⁴¹ EPNG Transmittal at 3. El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C., EPNG Tariffs, Part IV: GT&C, Section 10 - Imbalance Management (8.0.0.) (discussing PPMA imbalance resolution provisions in GT&C section 10.2(h)(ii) of EPNG's tariff, which provides in relevant part that "[i]n the event a PPMA increases a Shipper's current monthly imbalance, the PPMA shall be applied in the Month following the Month in which the PPMA was made. Should an imbalance greater than five percent (5%) remain in the next Month ... PPMA imbalance-related quantities shall be cashed out at one hundred percent (100%) of the applicable Cash Out Index Price.").

accepted EPNG's monthly imbalance settlement provisions.⁴² EPNG also states that the Commission previously has granted EPNG a waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 2.3.31.⁴³ For good cause shown, we grant EPNG a continuation of its requested waiver of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 2.3.31.

9. Waiver of Single-Logon/Password Standard

22. Twenty-four pipelines⁴⁴ request a waiver of NAESB WGQ Standard 4.3.60, which provides in relevant part that "A Customer Activities Web site should require a single logon/password pair for each user session." In support of their request, the referenced pipelines state that to enhance the security of their respective system, they are in the process of implementing a multi factor authentication feature, which, instead of requiring a single logon/password from their respective customers, will require additional identifying information. Further, the referenced pipelines state that this new feature is expected to be implemented by their respective pipelines before the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards become effective on June 1, 2022. The referenced pipelines also state that their respective new multi factor authentication feature will exceed the NAESB WGQ Standard 4.3.60 requirements. We agree that this practice appears to comply with the NAESB standard and to exceed the standard's requirement. For good cause shown, we grant the referenced pipelines their requested waiver of NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 4.3.60 as it relates to user logon.

⁴² See El Paso Nat. Gas Co., 119 FERC ¶ 61,275 (2007).

 $^{^{43}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 28.

⁴⁴ Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Tennessee), Stagecoach Pipeline & Storage Company LLC (Stagecoach), Arlington Storage Company, LLC (Arlington), Elba Express Company, L.L.C. (EEC), Midcontinent Express Pipeline LLC (MEP), Southern LNG Company, L.L.C. (SLNG), Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (SNG), Midwestern Gas Transmission Company, OkTex Pipeline Company, L.L.C., Guardian Pipeline, L.L.C., Viking Gas Transmission Company, Mojave Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Mojave), Cheyenne Plains Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (CPG), Sierrita Gas Pipeline LLC (Sierrita), Wyoming Interstate Company, L.L.C. (WIC), Ruby Pipeline, L.L.C. (Ruby), TransColorado Gas Transmission Company LLC (TransColorado), Colorado Interstate Gas Company, L.L.C. (CIG), Young Gas Storage Company, Ltd. (YGS), Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC (KMLP), Kinder Morgan Illinois Pipeline LLC (KMIP), Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC (Natural), Horizon Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Horizon), and EPNG.

B. Variances on Nomination Deadlines and Adjustments

- 23. Eight pipelines⁴⁵ request a continuation of their variances pertaining to NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.2, for a 15-minute extension of the deadlines for nominations leaving the control of the nominating party, and for receipt of nominations by transporter. Generally, the referenced pipelines state that the Commission previously has granted an extension of the nomination cycle deadlines, and that they continue to operate on the same basis on which the variance previously was granted.⁴⁶ For good cause shown, we grant the referenced pipelines an extension of this variance.
- 24. EPNG requests a continuation of its variance pertaining to NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.6, for automatic Hourly Entitlement Enhancement Nomination (HEEN) adjustments.⁴⁷ NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.6 provides that "[n]ominations received after nomination deadline should be scheduled after the nominations received before the nomination deadline." EPNG states that the requested variance gives EPNG the option to adjust a HEEN nomination after the nomination deadline to match a corresponding opposite change to a shipper's flowing gas nomination. EPNG states that it previously has been granted this variance, and that it continues to operate on the same basis on which the variance previously was granted.⁴⁸ For good cause shown, we grant EPNG an extension of this variance.

C. Extensions of Time

1. <u>Limited Extensions of Time to Implement Certain Requirements</u>

25. Three pipelines⁴⁹ request an extension of time until September 30, 2022 to implement certain NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards.⁵⁰ The referenced pipelines state

⁴⁵ Mojave, CPG, Sierrita, WIC, Ruby, CIG, YGS, and EPNG.

 $^{^{46}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 30.

⁴⁷ EPNG Transmittal at 2-3.

⁴⁸ *Id*.

⁴⁹ Rockies Express Pipeline LLC, Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC, and Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC.

⁵⁰ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.4.1 through 0.4.4, 1.3.27, 1.4.1 through 1.4.6, 2.4.1, 2.4.3, 2.4.4, 2.4.6, 2.4.9 through 2.4.11, 2.4.17, 3.4.1, 3.4.2, 3.4.4, 4.3.49, 4.3.80, 4.3.106, 5.4.15, 5.4.16, 5.4.20 through 5.4.22, 5.4.24 through 5.4.26.

that they are currently revising the underlying code of their respective gas information management system. The pipelines assert that because they are currently in the process of upgrading to a new version of their respective gas information management system, changes to the underlying code are not possible until their respective system upgrade has been completed, which the referenced pipelines state is expected to be September 30, 2022. The pipelines state that their respective shippers, interconnecting parties, or EDI trading partners will not be harmed by a delay in implementation.

26. For good cause shown, we grant the referenced pipelines their request for an extension of time. The pipelines are requesting an extension of time only to accommodate delays in establishing their respective electronic processing systems. Therefore, we find that granting the requested extension of time to implement the requirements set forth in the aforementioned NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards as they apply to electronic processes,⁵¹ until September 30, 2022, will not affect business functionality or adversely impact the respective pipelines' customers. However, consistent with Commission precedent, we clarify that the extension of time granted herein does not apply to the requirements set forth in the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards related to the posting of proprietary location codes on the pipelines' Internet website.⁵²

2. Extensions of Time to Implement EDI, EDM, and Internet Electronic Transport Requirements

27. Eighty-six pipelines request an extension of time to implement NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards relating to various EDI, EDM, and IET requirements until such time as the pipelines are requested by a Part 284, open access customer to provide such electronic data services.⁵³ Generally, the referenced pipelines state that the Commission

⁵¹ See Destin Pipeline Co., L.L.C., 160 FERC ¶ 61,116, at P 7 (2017) (where the Commission granted the requested extension of time to comply with certain of the NAESB WGQ Version 3.0 Standards relating to electronic processing).

⁵² See Equitrans L.P., 153 FERC ¶ 61,320, at PP 10-13 (2015) (Equitrans) (where the Commission explained that compliance with the requirements set forth in the Standards as they apply to the posting on a pipeline's Internet website of information on proprietary location codes does not require an interstate pipeline to incur substantial additional software upgrade costs, and enables the Commission and customers to continue to identify active interconnection points, referenced in their Form No. 549B, Index of Customers, through the website postings).

⁵³ Gulf Shore, USG Pipeline, B-R Pipeline, LLC (B-R), PPG Shawville Pipeline, LLC (Shawville Pipeline), Boardwalk Storage Company, LLC (Boardwalk Storage), Northern, CGT, Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River), Pine Needle LNG Company, LLC (Pine Needle), Transco, PGPipeline LLC (PGPipeline), Sabine Pipe Line

previously has granted an extension of time to comply with these Standards, and that they continue to operate on the same basis that the Commission relied on when it previously granted extensions for compliance with these Standards.⁵⁴ For good cause shown, we grant the referenced interstate natural gas pipelines an extension of time⁵⁵ to comply with

LLC (Sabine), Golden Triangle Storage, Inc. (GTS), Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (Southern Star), Bobcat Gas Storage (Bobcat), East Tennessee, Egan Hub Storage, LLC (Egan Hub), Stingray Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Stingray), White River Hub, LLC (White River), Dominion Energy Questar Pipeline, LLC (DEQP), East Cheyenne Gas Storage, LLC (East Chevenne), Steckman Ridge, LP (Steckman), Saltville Gas Storage Company L.L.C. (Saltville), Bluewater Gas Storage, LLC (Bluewater), MarkWest Pioneer, L.L.C. (MarkWest Pioneer), SG Resources Mississippi, L.L.C. (SGRM), Big Sandy Pipeline, LLC (Big Sandy), Cimarron River Pipeline, LLC (Cimarron), Dauphin Island Gathering Partners (Dauphin Island), WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy), Northwest Pipeline LLC (Northwest), Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC (Algonquin), NEXUS Gas Transmission, LLC (NEXUS), Tennessee, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes), Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C. (Gulfstream), Southeast Supply Header, LLC (SESH), Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern), Pine Prairie Energy Center, LLC (Pine Prairie), Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. (Iroquois), PGE, KPC Pipeline, LLC (KPC), NGO Transmission, Inc., (NGO Transmission), Black Hills Shoshone Pipeline, LLC (Shoshone Pipeline), Spire Storage West LLC (Spire Storage), Wyckoff Gas Storage Company, LLC (Wyckoff), Garden Banks Gas Pipeline, LLC (Garden Banks), Mississippi Canyon Gas Pipeline, L.L.C. (Mississippi Canyon), Nautilus Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Nautilus), Rendezvous, MarkWest New Mexico, L.L.C. (MarkWest New Mexico), Total Peaking, NG LNG, Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC (Sabal Trail), Stagecoach, Arlington, EEC, MEP, SLNG, SNG, Dominion Energy Overthrust Pipeline, LLC (DEOP), RH energytrans, LLC (RH), Mojave, CPG, Sierrita, WIC, Ruby, TransColorado, CIG, YGS, Leaf River Energy Center LLC (Leaf River), KMLP, TransCameron Pipeline, LLC (TransCameron), WGI, KMIP, Natural, Spire STL Pipeline LLC (Spire STL), Horizon, DBM Pipeline, LLC (DBM Pipeline), Gulf South, Texas Gas, EPNG, Double E Pipeline, LLC (Double E), Carlsbad Gateway, LLC (Gateway), Western Gas Interstate Company, and Roaring Fork Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC (RFIGT).

 $^{^{54}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 40.

⁵⁵ Boardwalk Storage, Northern, CGT, Kern River, Sabine, Stagecoach, Arlington, EEC, MEP, SLNG, SNG, Mojave, CPG, Sierrita, WIC, Ruby, TransColorado, Shoshone Pipeline, CIG, YGS, KMLP, KMIP, Pine Needle, Natural, Horizon, Transco, Gulf South, EPNG, Texas Gas, Gateway, and Sabal Trail are granted an extension of time until 60 days after they receive a request from a customer to use such standards and datasets. Gulf Shore, GTS, Bobcat, East Tennessee, Egan Hub, Stingray, White River, East

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EDI, EDM, and IET transactions, as requested.⁵⁶ The extensions of time are limited to the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards promulgated by Order No. 587-Z,⁵⁷ and will be in effect until a Part 284 customer requests the referenced pipeline to offer the EDI, EDM, and IET transactions or data via its website. Further, the referenced pipelines must

Cheyenne, Steckman, Saltville, Bluewater, MarkWest Pioneer, SGRM, Big Sandy, Cimarron, Dauphin Island, WBI Energy, Northwest, Algonquin, NEXUS, Tennessee, Maritimes, Gulfstream, SESH, Texas Eastern, Pine Prairie, Iroquois, PGE, KPC, NGO Transmission, Spire Storage, DEOP, RH, Southern Star, Leaf River, TransCameron, DEQP, Double E, and Wyckoff are granted an extension of time until 90 days after they receive a request from a customer to offer transactions or data via their websites. Garden Banks, Nautilus, and Mississippi Canyon are granted an extension of time until 120 days after they receive a request from a customer to implement the requested standards. Spire STL and PGPipeline are granted an extension of time until 150 days after they receive a request from a customer to use such datasets. Rendezvous, MarkWest New Mexico, WGI, DBM Pipeline, Shawville Pipeline, Total Peaking, and RFIGT are granted an extension of time until 180 days after they receive a request from a customer to implement the requested standards. NG LNG is granted an extension of time until the LNG storage facility becomes physically connected to the interstate pipeline grid.

⁵⁶ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.3.1, 0.3.21, 0.3.22, 0.3.23, 0.3.25 through 0.3.29, 0.4.1 through 0.4.4, 1.3.3, 1.3.4, 1.3.9, 1.3.11, 1.3.13, 1.3.20 through 1.3.25, 1.3.27, 1.3.36 through 1.3.38, 1.3.40 through 1.3.46, 1.3.48, 1.3.51, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.65, 1.3.70, 1.3.72 through 1.3.75, 1.3.79, 1.3.81, 1.3.82 (as it relates to B-R's, PGE's, USG Pipeline's, and Rendezvous' customer activities website requirements), 1.4.1 through 1.4.7, 2.3.1, 2.3.5, 2.3.6, 2.3.11 through 2.3.14, 2.3.21, 2.3.25, 2.3.32, 2.3.40 through 2.3.44, 2.3.46 (as it relates to WGI's and Gulf Shore's customer activities website requirements), 2.3.51 through 2.3.53, 2.3.65, 2.3.66, 2.4.1 through 2.4.11, 2.4.17, 2.4.18, 3.3.3 through 3.3.5, 3.3.7, 3.3.8, 3.3.10 through 3.3.13, 3.3.15, 3.3.22 through 3.3.24, 3.3.26, 3.3.27, 3.4.1 through 3.4.4, 4.3.1 through 4.3.3, 4.3.16 through 4.3.18, 4.3.20, 4.3.22 through 4.3.28, 4.3.30 through 4.3.36, 4.3.38, 4.3.40 through 4.3.50, 4.3.52 through 4.3.55, 4.3.57, 4.3.58, 4.3.60, 4.3.62, 4.3.66 through 4.3.69, 4.3.72, 4.3.75, 4.3.78 through 4.3.82, 4.3.84 through 4.3.87, 4.3.89 through 4.3.95, 4.3.99 through 4.3.110, 5.3.10 through 5.3.16 (as it relates to Total Peaking's customer activities website requirements), 5.3.18, 5.3.20, 5.3.24, 5.3.26, 5.3.31 through 5.3.42, 5.3.48, 5.3.50, 5.3.54, 5.3.70 through 5.3.72, 5.4.14 through 5.4.17, 5.4.20 through 5.4.27, 10.3.1, 10.3.3 through 10.3.12, and 10.3.14 through 10.3.29.

⁵⁷ See B-R Pipeline Co., 128 FERC ¶ 61,126, at P 6 (2009) (each time the Commission adopts new versions of the standards, a pipeline seeking to retain an existing waiver must request a waiver of the new standards).

be fully compliant with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards as it relates to proprietary location codes.⁵⁸

3. Extensions of Time of Requirement to Support Index-Based Capacity Releases

- 28. Eight pipelines⁵⁹ request extensions of time of NAESB WGQ Standard 5.3.65, which is a business practice standard that requires a pipeline to support indexed-based capacity releases. The requesting pipelines assert that there are no representative index references for their respective pipeline systems, and that shippers are unlikely to request such releases. Consistent with Commission precedent,⁶⁰ and the requesting pipelines' contention that there are no representative index references for their respective pipeline systems, and that shippers are unlikely to request such releases, we find it reasonable to not require the requesting pipelines to acquire and pay for the licenses necessary to support indices at this time. Therefore, for good cause shown, we grant the referenced pipelines an extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 5.3.65 and its requirement to support at least two non-public price index references until a releasing shipper presents an index-based capacity release. If such a request is made, the referenced pipelines will need to pay whatever licensing costs are necessary to cover their processing of the release.⁶¹
- 29. Further, for good cause shown, we grant PGPipeline, PGE, Gateway, and Spire Storage an extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 5.3.62 through 5.3.64, and 5.3.66 through 5.3.69 and their requirement to support at least two non-public price index references until a releasing shipper presents an index-based capacity release.

⁵⁸ See Equitrans, 153 FERC ¶ 61,320 at PP 9-13.

⁵⁹ USG Pipeline, PGPipeline, Total Peaking, MoGas, B-R, PGE, Gateway, and Spire Storage. We consider Total Peaking's request to waive NAESB WGQ Standard 5.3.65 "until a releasing shipper presents index-based release" as an extension of time request. *See* Total Peaking Transmittal at 4.

 $^{^{60}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 43.

⁶¹ The requesting pipelines will not have to support more than two indices at any time, because any subsequent releasing shippers will be able to avail themselves of the index or indices currently supported by the requesting pipelines.

4. Extensions of Time of Pooling Standards

30. Eight pipelines⁶² request continuation of their respective extensions of time of the NAESB WGQ Standards governing pooling.⁶³ The referenced pipelines state that the Commission has granted such extensions of time in the past.⁶⁴ For good cause shown, we grant the referenced pipelines an extension of time to comply with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards relating to pooling⁶⁵ until 180 days following their receipt of a request from a Part 284 customer, at which time the referenced pipelines must commence compliance with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards relating to pooling.

D. Extensions of Time of Title Transfer Tracking Standards

- Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards. In support of its request, USG Pipeline explains that it is a small, two-customer pipeline and the burden of compliance would be substantial and would greatly exceed the benefits that might allegedly accrue. Given USG Pipeline's operational, customer, and market circumstances, for good cause shown, we find that granting an extension of time to comply with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards is appropriate. For good cause shown, we grant USG Pipeline an extension of time to implement such Standards until such time as it receives a request from a Part 284 customer to implement the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards. Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards.
- 32. B-R requests an extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards. In support of its request, B-R explains that it only serves a single, affiliated customer that B-R asserts has a Part 157 agreement and that, at this time, it does not serve, nor has it ever served, any customers under its Part 284

⁶² MoGas, Blue Lake Gas Storage Company, ANR Storage Company, YGS, WGI, NG LNG, Gateway, and PGPipeline.

⁶³ Pooling is: (1) the aggregation of gas from multiple physical and/or logical points to a single physical or logical point, and/or (2) the dis-aggregation of gas from a single physical or logical point to multiple physical and/or logical points.

 $^{^{64}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 45.

⁶⁵ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.17, 1.3.18, and 3.3.6.

⁶⁶ USG Pipeline Transmittal at 5-6.

⁶⁷ NAESB WGO Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.64 through 1.3.77.

tariff.⁶⁸ Given B-R's operational, customer, and market circumstances, for good cause shown, we find that granting an extension of time to comply with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards is appropriate. For good cause shown, we grant B-R an extension of time to implement such Standards until such time as it receives a request from a Part 284 customer to implement the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards.⁶⁹

- 33. WBI Energy requests an extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standard 1.3.64. In support of its request, WBI Energy explains that it is unable to accommodate title transfer tracking services and no customer has requested these services. Given WBI Energy's operational and customer circumstances, we find that granting an extension of time to comply with Standard 1.3.64 is appropriate. For good cause shown, we grant WBI Energy an extension of time to implement Standard 1.3.64 until such time as it receives a request from a Part 284 customer to implement NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.64.
- 34. Discovery Gas Transmission LLC (Discovery) requests an extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards, and a waiver and extension of time of the electronic components of the interactive website requirements. In support of its request, Discovery explains that the data elements associated with conducting electronic communications via EDM and all datasets have not been requested for use by any of Discovery's shippers. Further, Discovery states that price formation does not occur on Discovery's system because with the varying qualities of unprocessed gas delivered into Discovery's system, the commingled gas stream is not fungible with pipeline-quality gas transported across onshore interstate pipelines and due to the location of Discovery's system upstream of market centers. In addition, Discovery states that given the absence of trading, capacity release and price formation activities, there is no demand, and hence, no need for this related electronic business functionality. Discovery further states that the NAESB WGQ Standards associated with title transfer have not been requested by any of Discovery's shippers.⁷⁰
- 35. Further, Discovery states that no capacity release occurs on the Discovery system. Discovery explains that with two exceptions, transportation on Discovery's system is rendered under Discovery's FT-2 Rate Schedule or its interruptible IT Rate Schedule. Discovery further explains that the FT-2 Rate Schedule allows a shipper to receive firm service at a usage-based rate if production is committed to Discovery for transportation

⁶⁸ B-R Transmittal at 5.

⁶⁹ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.64, 1.3.66 through 1.3.69, 1.3.71, 1.3.76, and 1.3.77.

⁷⁰ Discovery Transmittal at 2.

for the life of the lease. Discovery notes that because the shipper pays a usage-based rate, capacity release is not available. In addition, Discovery states that it provides two instances of firm service under its traditional FT-1 Rate Schedule, but pursuant to the terms of its tariff, the producer does not qualify for capacity release because the rate paid is a negotiated, usage-based rate.⁷¹

- 36. Discovery explains that it uses a proprietary gas management system (i.e., GasKit) accessible through its Customer Activities website. Further, Discovery states that shippers, or their agents, log-in to GasKit through the internet and insert their daily or periodic nominations. Discovery further states that shippers can generate multiple reports in various formats within GasKit at any time that provide information regarding their transactions. Discovery notes that GasKit is not fully NAESB compliant. Specifically, Discovery explains that GasKit does not contain title transfer or capacity release functionality, and, it has limited EDM electronic communication functionality. Moreover, Discovery notes that neither GasKit content nor Discovery's public internet website content are 100% mapped to NAESB datasets. Nevertheless, Discovery asserts that GasKit is a user-friendly and robust system and updates occur periodically to enhance transactional experience and business offerings.⁷²
- 37. Given Discovery's operational, customer, and market circumstances and the information presented, for good cause shown, we find that granting an extension of time to comply with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards is appropriate. For good cause shown, we grant Discovery an extension of time to implement such Standards until 90 days after it receives a request from a Part 284 customer to implement the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards. Further, for good cause shown, we grant Discovery its requested waiver of the electronic components of the interactive website requirements. Lastly, for good cause shown, we grant Discovery an extension of time until 90 days after it receives a request from a Part 284 customer to implement certain electronic components of the interactive website requirements.

⁷¹ *Id.* at 2-3.

⁷² *Id.* at 3.

⁷³ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.17, 1.3.18, 1.3.64 through 1.3.74, 1.3.76, and 1.3.77.

 $^{^{74}}$ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 0.3.23, 0.3.26, 0.3.27, 0.3.28, and 0.4.1 through 0.4.4.

⁷⁵ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.48, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 1.3.79, 1.3.81, 1.4.1 through 1.4.7, 2.3.32, 2.3.51 through 2.3.53, 2.3.65, 2.3.66,

38. NG LNG requests an extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards. In support of its request, NG LNG explains that it operates an LNG storage facility, which NG LNG states is not physically connected to the interstate natural gas pipeline grid. Given NG LNG's operational and market circumstances, for good cause shown, we find that granting an extension of time to comply with the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 title transfer tracking related Standards is appropriate. For good cause shown, we grant NG LNG an extension of time to implement such Standards until the LNG storage facility becomes physically connected to the interstate natural gas pipeline grid. ⁷⁶

E. Other Waivers and Extensions of Time Based on Market and Operational Circumstances

1. **PG Pipeline**

39. PGPipeline requests a continuation of its extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Standard 1.3.6, which provides that "[n]ominations received after nomination deadline should be scheduled after the nominations received before the nomination deadline." In support of its request, PGPipeline explains that it is a small, one-customer pipeline and that the burden of compliance would be substantial. PGPipeline further states that it previously has been granted this extension of time, and that it continues to operate on the same basis on which the extension of time was granted. Given PGPipeline's operational, customer, and market circumstances, we find, for good cause shown, that granting PGPipeline a continuation of its requested extension of time to comply with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.6 is appropriate. For good cause shown, we grant PGPipeline a continuation of its requested extension of time to implement such Standard until such time as it receives a request from a Part 284 customer to implement the NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 1.3.6.

^{2.4.1} through 2.4.11, 2.4.17, 2.4.18, 3.4.1 through 3.4.4, 4.3.42 through 4.3.50, 4.3.52 through 4.3.55, 4.3.57, 4.3.58, 4.3.60, 4.3.62, 4.3.66 through 4.3.69, 4.3.72, 4.3.75, 4.3.78 through 4.3.82, 4.3.84 through 4.3.87, 4.3.105, 5.3.42, 5.3.72, 5.4.14 through 5.4.17, and 5.4.20 through 5.4.27.

⁷⁶ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.64, 1.3.66 through 1.3.69, 1.3.71, 1.3.72, and 1.3.74 through 1.3.77.

⁷⁷ PGPipeline Transmittal at 2.

 $^{^{78}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 52.

2. NG LNG

- 40. NG LNG requests continuation of waivers of various NAESB WGQ Standards, given its unique operational and market circumstances.⁷⁹ NG LNG explains that it operates an LNG storage facility and is not physically connected to the interstate natural gas pipeline grid.⁸⁰ NG LNG asserts that the Commission previously has granted NG LNG numerous waivers from complying with the NAESB WGQ Standards.⁸¹ Given NG LNG's operational and market circumstances, for good cause shown, we find that granting NG LNG a continuation of its waiver to comply with the requested NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards is appropriate.⁸²
- 41. Further, NG LNG requests a continuation of its extension of time of NAESB WGQ Standard 5.3.2 governing the timeline for the processing of biddable and non-biddable firm capacity releases. NG LNG states that the Commission previously has granted it such extension of time. So For good cause shown, we grant NG LNG a continuation of its requested extension of time to implement such Standard until a Part 284 customer requests NG LNG to commence compliance with NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standard 5.3.2. NG LNG must comply with the capacity release Standard if, in the future, the LNG storage facility becomes physically connected to the interstate natural gas pipeline grid, and NG LNG provides firm transportation service.

⁷⁹ NG LNG requests waiver of NAESB WGQ Standards related to electronic communications, scheduling, flexible points, and segmentation.

⁸⁰ NG LNG Transmittal at 2.

⁸¹ NG LNG states that the Commission previously granted waiver of the nomination Standards to its predecessor company, Algonquin LNG. *See Algonquin LNG*, 86 FERC ¶ 61,285 (finding that the nominations Standards are not applicable to LNG being transported by truck, because those Standards are intended to standardize nominations and scheduling across the interstate pipeline grid).

⁸² NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 1.3.22, 1.3.24, 1.3.25, 1.3.27, 1.3.32, 1.3.35 through 1.3.46, 1.3.48, 1.3.51, 1.3.53, 1.3.55, 1.3.56, 1.3.58, 1.3.62, 2.3.1 through 2.3.6, 2.3.8, 2.3.10 through 2.3.23, 2.3.25, 2.3.27 through 2.3.31, 2.3.40 through 2.3.48, 2.3.50 through 2.3.64, 3.3.22 through 3.3.27, 4.3.22, 4.3.25, 5.3.20 through 5.3.22, 5.3.24, 5.3.31 through 5.3.42, 5.3.44 through 5.3.46, 5.3.48, 5.3.50, 5.3.54, and 5.4.24 through 5.4.27.

 $^{^{83}}$ Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC \P 61,061 at P 54.

3. Portland General Electric Company

42. PGE requests extensions of time of various NAESB WGQ Standards, given its unique operational and market circumstances. PGE explains that it owns a percentage of a 17-mile interstate pipeline system extending from a point near Kelso, Washington to a terminus point near Clatskanie, Oregon. Further, PGE states that as a small pipeline it does not operate an interactive website, and that potential shippers will not be unfairly disadvantaged by granting PGE's requested extension of time. Given PGE's operational and market circumstances, for good cause shown, we find that granting the requested extensions of time of the specified NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards is appropriate. Se

4. <u>Venice Gathering System, L.L.C.</u>

43. Venice Gathering System, L.L.C. (VGS) requests continuation of its extension of time to comply with certain NAESB WGQ capacity release related Standards. In support of its request, VGS states that the Commission previously has granted it such extension of time. Turther, VGS states that, although it offers capacity release for shippers under Rate Schedule FTS-1, there are no current shippers who are interested in service under the firm rate schedule for which VGS performs the business function, and it does not anticipate receiving any requests for capacity release on VGS's system with respect to that service in the future. For good cause shown, we grant VGS a continuation of its extension of time until 60 days following its receipt of a request from a customer until it must commence compliance with the requested NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 capacity release related Standards.

⁸⁴ PGE Transmittal at 1.

⁸⁵ *Id.* at 2.

⁸⁶ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 2.3.54 through 2.3.64.

⁸⁷ VGS Transmittal at 2-3 (citing *Eastern Shore Natural Gas Co..*, 154 FERC ¶ 61,250, at P 84 (2016)). Order on Filings in Compliance with Order No. 587-Y, 168 FERC ¶ 61,061 at P 58.

⁸⁸ VGS Transmittal at 3.

⁸⁹ NAESB WGQ Version 3.2 Standards 5.3.44, 5.3.45, 5.3.48, 5.3.49, 5.3.53, 5.3.54, 5.3.56, 5.3.73, 5.4.14 through 5.4.17, 5.4.20, and 5.4.23 through 5.4.27.

The Commission orders:

- (A) All the tariff records filed by the interstate natural gas pipelines listed in the caption of this order are hereby accepted to be effective June 1, 2022, as proposed.
- (B) Extensions of time and/or waivers are hereby granted, as discussed in the body of this order, and the extensions of time and/or waivers granted herein are limited to the NAESB WGQ's Version 3.2 Standards promulgated by Order No. 587-Z.

By the Commission.

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