

185 FERC ¶ 61,089  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Willie L. Phillips, Acting Chairman;  
James P. Danly, Allison Clements,  
and Mark C. Christie.

Viking Gas Transmission Company

Docket Nos. RP23-991-001  
RP23-991-000

ORDER ACCEPTING AND SUSPENDING TARIFF RECORDS, SUBJECT TO  
REFUND, ESTABLISHING HEARING PROCEDURES, AND CONSOLIDATING  
PROCEEDINGS

(Issued October 31, 2023)

1. On August 31, 2023, as amended on September 26, 2023, Viking Gas Transmission Company (Viking) filed tariff records<sup>1</sup> pursuant to section 4 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA)<sup>2</sup> and Part 154 of the Commission's regulations.<sup>3</sup> Viking proposes to revise its General Terms and Conditions (GT&C) to include an Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment (EPCRA) mechanism to recover operating expenses of new electric-driven compressor units.

2. As discussed below, we accept the amended tariff record in Appendix A effective November 1, 2023, and accept and suspend the amended tariff records in Appendix B for a nominal period, to become effective the first day of the first month after the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service, subject to refund and the outcome of hearing procedures established in Docket No. RP23-917-000. We also consolidate the instant proceeding with the ongoing NGA section 4 proceeding in Docket No. RP23-917-000.

**I. Background**

3. On July 28, 2023, Viking filed in a separate proceeding in Docket No. RP23-917-000 an NGA section 4 rate case. Viking's proposed revisions in the ongoing rate case include,

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<sup>1</sup> See app. A & app. B. The purpose of the September 26 filing was to defer the effectiveness of the EPCRA mechanism until the electric-driven compressor units are placed in service.

<sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. § 717c.

<sup>3</sup> 18 C.F.R. §§ 154.301 - .315 (2022).

among other things, proposed cost recovery for construction of the same electric compressors for which Viking now seeks recovery of the operating expenses herein. On August 31, 2023, the Commission accepted and suspended the tariff records to be effective upon motion February 1, 2024, subject to refund and the outcome of a hearing.<sup>4</sup>

## II. Proposal

4. In the instant filing, Viking proposes to include an EPCRA mechanism for recovering operating expenses in the form of Electric Power Costs (EPCs) of new electric-driven compressor units. Viking states that it expects to place its first electric-driven compressor units into service by November 1, 2023, which will replace obsolete gas-driven compressor units.<sup>5</sup> Viking states that its tariff lacks a means to recover the operating expenses for these new compressor units, given that they are Viking's first electric-driven compressor units.

5. Viking explains that the EPCRA consists of two parts: the Current EPC Rate and the Annual EPC Charge Adjustment. Viking states that the Current EPC Rate reflects the cost of electric power that is purchased by or for Viking for use in the operation of the electric-driven compressor units for the previous year divided by the confirmed scheduled receipt quantities from the previous year. Viking states that it will maintain an EPC account to record over/under collections of EPCs and this account will be used to compute the Annual EPC Charge Adjustment.<sup>6</sup> Viking states that the EPCRA will be filed annually and that Viking will "true-up" any differential between amounts recovered and Viking's actual expenses.<sup>7</sup>

6. In its August 31 filing, Viking proposed an effective date of November 1, 2023, for the revised tariff records.<sup>8</sup> In its September 26 filing, Viking proposed to defer the effectiveness of the EPCRA mechanism to the first day of the first month after Viking places these new electric-driven compressor units in service. Viking filed the tariff

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<sup>4</sup> See *Viking Gas Transmission Co.*, 184 FERC ¶ 61,135 (2023).

<sup>5</sup> August 31 Transmittal at 1.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

<sup>7</sup> *Id.* at 2.

<sup>8</sup> *Id.* at 3.

records with an effective date of 12/31/9998,<sup>9</sup> and Viking states that it will file to have the effective date updated to a date certain once the electric compressors are placed into service.<sup>10</sup>

### **III. Notice of Filings, Interventions, and Protests**

7. Public notice of Viking's filings were issued on August 31, 2023, and September 27, 2023. Interventions and protests were due as provided in section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations.<sup>11</sup> Pursuant to Rule 214,<sup>12</sup> all timely motions to intervene are granted.

8. Protests were filed by Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, and Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation (collectively, NSP Companies); and Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation and Wisconsin Gas LLC (collectively, WEC Companies). The Viking Customer Group<sup>13</sup> filed a motion to consolidate and request for suspension.

9. On September 18, 2023, Tenaska Marketing Ventures (TMV) filed an answer. On September 27, 2023, Viking filed an answer. Rule 213(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.213(a)(2) (2022), prohibits an answer to a protest unless otherwise ordered by the decisional authority. We accept TMV's and

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<sup>9</sup> September 26 Transmittal at 3. While Viking resubmitted the records with an indefinite effective date of "12/31/9998" to capture this indefinite effective date, Viking also assigned an effective date of November 1, 2023, to one eTariff record (Viking Gas Transmission Company, FERC Gas Tariff, vol. 1, pt. 2.0 (Table of Contents) (1.0.0)).

<sup>10</sup> August 31 Transmittal at 2.

<sup>11</sup> 18 C.F.R. § 154.210 (2022).

<sup>12</sup> 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2022).

<sup>13</sup> The Viking Customer Group comprises: BP Energy Company, CenterPoint Energy Resources Corporation, Dakota Natural Gas, DTE Gas Company, Great Plains Natural Gas Company, Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc., Midwest Natural Gas, Inc., Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation, Montana-Dakota Utilities Company, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation, St. Croix Valley Natural Gas, Inc., Wisconsin Gas LLC, and the Viking Shipper Alliance (comprised of ACE Ethanol, LLC, American Crystal Sugar Company, Big River Resources Boyceville, LLC, Cardinal FG Company; City of Perham, Minnesota, J.R. Simplot Company, and World Fuel Services).

Viking's answers because they have provided information that assisted us in our decision-making process.

10. NSP Companies, WEC Companies, and the Viking Customer Group request that the Commission suspend the effective date of the EPCRA from November 1, 2023, to February 1, 2024, and consolidate the instant proceeding with the NGA section 4 proceeding in Docket No. RP23-917-000.

11. NSP Companies and WEC Companies state that Viking's EPCRA filing and general rate case filing both involve Viking's expectation that it will place three new electric-driven compressor units into service at its Ada and Frazee compressor stations in Minnesota before the end of 2023, and explain that the units are not yet in service.<sup>14</sup> NSP Companies and WEC Companies state that the Commission should not allow the proposed EPCRA to become effective before Viking has demonstrated that the new electric compressor units are in service, and that related electricity costs are actually being incurred by Viking.<sup>15</sup> NSP Companies and WEC Companies state that Viking should be required to add language confirming that its annual filing will provide information and detail regarding the actual electric power used during the prior EPCRA period.<sup>16</sup> NSP Companies and WEC Companies assert that it is unclear whether Viking will only true-up costs on an annual basis or if it retains the ability to do so more or less frequently.<sup>17</sup>

12. The Viking Customer Group states in its motion to consolidate that Viking's EPCRA filing and the general section 4 rate case both involve Viking's expectation that it will place new electric-driven compressor units into service before the end of 2023.<sup>18</sup> The Viking Customer Group argues that it would be inefficient for customers to seek information about the cost assumptions underpinning the proposed EPCRA in one proceeding while pursuing related information about the compressor units in the general section 4 rate case proceeding.<sup>19</sup> The Viking Customer Group requests that the Commission suspend implementation of the EPCRA tariff filing to February 1, 2024, to align with the suspension date of the tariff records

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<sup>14</sup> NSP Companies' Protest at 1-2; WEC Companies' Protest at 3.

<sup>15</sup> NSP Companies' Protest at 6; WEC Companies' Protest at 4-5.

<sup>16</sup> NSP Companies' Protest at 9; WEC Companies' Protest at 5.

<sup>17</sup> NSP Companies' Protest at 7; WEC Companies' Protest at 5.

<sup>18</sup> The Viking Customer Group's Motion to Consolidate at 2.

<sup>19</sup> *Id.*

in the general section 4 rate case.<sup>20</sup> In its answer, TMV supports the Viking Customer Group's motion.<sup>21</sup>

13. In its answer, Viking states that it does not oppose consolidation of Viking's proposed EPCRA filing and its ongoing section 4 rate case proceeding in Docket No. RP23-917-000, but that the Commission should deny the requests for suspension. Viking states that it has proactively addressed its shippers' concerns by amending the proposed EPCRA effective date to an undefined date and committed to file to place these tariff records into effect the first day of the first month after the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service.<sup>22</sup>

#### IV. Discussion

14. Our preliminary analysis indicates that Viking's filing has not been shown to be just and reasonable and may be unjust, unreasonable, unduly discriminatory or preferential, or otherwise unlawful. Viking's filing raises issues of material fact that cannot be resolved based on the record before us and that are more appropriately addressed in the hearing ordered below. Accordingly, we will establish a hearing to explore the issues raised by the filing. We also find that the issues concerning whether Viking's new provisions involving electric-driven compressor units are just and reasonable are present here and in the ongoing hearing in Docket No. RP23-917-000, and accordingly, it is appropriate to consolidate the two proceedings.

15. Accordingly, and as described in this order, we accept the tariff record in Appendix A effective November 1, 2023, and we accept the tariff records in Appendix B for filing and suspend their effectiveness for a nominal period, to become effective the first day of the first month after the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service, subject to refund and the outcome of the hearing procedures established herein.<sup>23</sup>

16. The Commission's policy regarding rate suspensions is that rate filings generally should be suspended for the maximum period permitted by statute where preliminary study leads the Commission to believe that the filing may be unjust, unreasonable, or

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<sup>20</sup> *Id.* at 3.

<sup>21</sup> TMV's Answer at 1.

<sup>22</sup> *Id.* at 5.

<sup>23</sup> Viking is hereby directed to submit an informational filing through the eTariff portal using a Type of Filing Code 620 specifying (i) when the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service and (ii) the effective date for the tariff records in Appendix B.

that it may be inconsistent with other statutory standards.<sup>24</sup> The Commission has recognized, however, that shorter suspensions may be warranted in circumstances where suspensions for the maximum period may lead to harsh and inequitable results.<sup>25</sup> Here, the new electric-driven compressor units may be in service prior to the end of the maximum suspension period. Accordingly, the Commission imposes a nominal suspension period, so that the tariff records in Appendix B shall be effective the first day of the first month after the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service.

The Commission orders:

(A) The tariff record listed in Appendix A is accepted, to become effective on November 1, 2023, as discussed in the body of this order.

(B) The tariff records listed in Appendix B are accepted and suspended for a nominal period, to become effective the first day of the first month after the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service, subject to refund and the outcome of hearing procedures established in the ongoing NGA section 4 proceeding established in Docket No. RP23-917-000, as discussed in the body of this order.

(C) Viking is hereby directed to submit an informational filing through the eTariff portal using a Type of Filing Code 620 specifying (i) when the electric-driven compressor units are placed into service and (ii) the effective date for the tariff records in Appendix B, as discussed in the body of this order.

(D) Pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by section 402(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act and the NGA, particularly sections 4, 5, 8, and 15 thereof, and the Commission's rules and regulations, a public hearing shall be held in Docket No. RP23-917-000 to determine the justness and reasonableness of Viking's proposed tariff records, as discussed in the body of this order.

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<sup>24</sup> See *Great Lakes Gas Transmission Co.*, 12 FERC ¶ 61,293 (1980) (five-month suspension).

<sup>25</sup> See *Valley Gas Transmission, Inc.*, 12 FERC ¶ 61,197 (1980) (one-day suspension).

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(E) Docket Nos. RP23-991-000 and RP23-991-001 are hereby consolidated with Docket No. RP23-917-000, as discussed in the body of this order.

By the Commission.

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Kimberly D. Bose,  
Secretary.

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**Appendix A**

**Viking Gas Transmission Company  
Viking - FERC Gas Tariff**

*Tariff Record Accepted Effective November 1, 2023*

Part 2.0, Table of Contents (1.0.0)



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**Appendix B**

**Viking Gas Transmission Company  
Viking - FERC Gas Tariff**

*Tariff Records Accepted and Suspended Nominally Effective the First Day of the First Month after the Electric-driven Compressor Units are Placed into Service, Subject to Refund and the Outcome of Hearing Procedures*

Part 5.0, Statement of Rates (53.1.0)

Part 8.36, GT&C - Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment (0.1.0)

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September 26, 2023

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

Re: Viking Gas Transmission Company  
Amendment to EPCRA and Request for Action by November 1, 2023  
Docket No. RP23-991-001

Dear Ms. Bose:

On August 31, 2023, pursuant to section 4 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 154 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”),<sup>1</sup> Viking Gas Transmission Company (“Viking”) submitted revisions to its FERC Gas Tariff, Volume No. 1 (“Tariff”) to add an electric power cost recovery adjustment (“EPCRA”) mechanism.<sup>2</sup> On September 12, 2023, several of Viking’s shippers requested that the Commission suspend the effectiveness of the EPCRA mechanism until after Viking places in service the new electric compressor stations for which the EPCRA is designed to recover the fuel costs.<sup>3</sup> Proactively addressing its shippers’ timing concerns, Viking submits this amendment to its August 31 Filing to defer the effectiveness of the EPCRA mechanism to the first day of the first month after Viking places these new electric compressor stations in service.

To effectuate this deferral, Viking is resubmitting the following tariff records listed, without any changes, but with an indefinite effective date of “12/31/9998”:

Part 5.0.0, Statement of Rates, v. 53.1.0  
Part 8.36, Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment, v. 0.1.0

Viking initially requested an effective date of November 1, 2023 for the EPCRA mechanism, and, given that Viking continues to expect to place the electric compressor stations in service around that date, Viking respectfully requests here that the Commission act on Viking’s filing by November 1, 2023.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>15 U.S.C. § 717; 18 C.F.R. Part 154.

<sup>2</sup> *Viking Gas Transmission Company*, Implementation of Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment, Docket No. RP23-991-000 (filed Aug. 31, 2023) (“August 31 Filing”).

<sup>3</sup> *Viking Gas Transmission Company*, Motion to Consolidate and Request for Suspension of Viking Customer Group, Docket No. RP23-991-000 (filed Sept. 12, 2023); *Viking Gas Transmission Company*, Protest and Request for Suspension of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation and Wisconsin Gas LLC, Docket No. RP23-991-000 (filed Sept. 12, 2023).

<sup>4</sup> Viking has assigned an effective date of November 1, 2023, to one eTariff record (Tariff, Part 2.0, Table of Contents) submitted with this filing (in metadata only) in order to effectuate Commission action by this date.

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

In this filing, Viking has made no revisions to the proposed Tariff provisions of the EPCRA mechanism from that submitted in the August 31 Filing. Viking only amends the Tariff records submitted previously to update the proposed effective date from November 1, 2023, to an undetermined date. As such, the statement of nature, reasons and basis for the proposed changes Viking presented in the August 31 Filing continue to apply. However, as the electric compressors are not yet in service, Viking proposes to change the effective date from November 1, 2023, to an undefined date. Once the electric compressors are placed into service, Viking will file to have the effective date updated to a date certain.<sup>5</sup>

### **Materials Enclosed**

In accordance with section 154.7 of the Commission's regulations, Viking submits the following materials:

1. An eTariff XML 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 copy of the tariff records in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary; and
4. Appendix B – a marked copy of the tariff records in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary.

### **Proposed Effective Date**

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(3) of the Commission's regulations, Viking respectfully requests that the tariff record submitted herewith be approved with an effective date of 12/31/9998, and effectiveness contingent on Viking filing notice the electric compressor stations have been placed into service.

### **Waivers**

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

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<sup>5</sup> Viking will also file notice to the Advance Notification of Natural Gas Facilities Replacement dockets for the compressors: Docket No. CP22-499-000 (Aug. 15, 2022) and Docket No. CP22-500-000 (Aug. 15, 2022).

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**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 Viking’s customers and affected state regulatory commissions. In accordance with section 385.2010 of the Commission’s regulations, copies of this filing are being served to each person whose name appears on the official service list for this proceeding. 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 Viking’s office at 100 West Fifth Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

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

Denise Adams Director, Regulatory Affairs ONEOK, Inc. 100 West 5th Street Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103 (918) 732-1408 Email: regulatoryaffairs@oneok.com	David Keglovits VP and Associate General Counsel, Compliance and Regulatory ONEOK, Inc. 100 West 5th Street Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103 (918) 591-5020 Email: david.keglovits@oneok.com
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Any questions regarding this filing may be directed to Denise Adams at (918) 732-1408.

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

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Denise Adams

Denise Adams  
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Attachments

# Appendix A

## Clean Tariff Records

STATEMENT OF RATES  
 (Rates Per Dekatherm)

Currently Effective Term-Differentiated Rates

Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate
<b>Category 1 (Contract Term of Less than 3 Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.9106
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate 1/	\$4.9080
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.6118
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
<b>Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.8583
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$4.8330
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.5890
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
<b>Category 3 (Contract Term of 5 or more Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.8060
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$4.7580
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.5662
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000

1/ Throughout Viking's Statement of Rates and Tariff, "Zone 1-2" shall mean Transportation Service for quantities received in Zone 1 and delivered in Zone 2 or received in Zone 2 and delivered in Zone 1 whether by transport, exchange, or Displacement.

Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate
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Category 1 (Contract Term of Less than 3 Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1286
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1614
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0859
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1268
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1589
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0851
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Category 3 (Contract Term of 5 or more Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1251
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1564
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0844
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000



Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate	Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment 2/	Fuel and Loss Retention Percentages 3/
Commodity Rates 1/			
FT-A – Maximum Rates			
Zone 1-1	\$0.0136	\$0.0344	0.00%
Zone 1-2	\$0.0136	\$0.0344	0.00%
Zone 2-2	\$0.0136	\$0.0344	0.00%
Minimum Rate	\$0.0136		
IT and AOT			
Zone 1-1	\$0.1422	\$0.0344	0.00%
Zone 1-2	\$0.1750	\$0.0344	0.00%
Zone 2-2	\$0.0995	\$0.0344	0.00%
Minimum Rate	\$0.0136		

- 1/ Pursuant to Section 19 of the General Terms and Conditions, the maximum and minimum commodity rates shall be increased to include the Commission-authorized Annual Charge Adjustment unit rate as published on the Commission's Web Site located at <http://www.ferc.gov>.
- 2/ The Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment shall be applicable to all transportation rate schedules.
- 3/ The Fuel and Loss Retention Percentages shall be applicable to all transportation rate schedules and includes the following Gas Lost and Unaccounted For Percentages: 0.00% for Zone 1-1, 0.00% for Zone 1-2, and 0.00% for Zone 2-2. Transportation entirely by Displacement will incur only the Gas Lost and Unaccounted For Percentages.

Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate	Adjustment Under Section 27 1/	Rate After Current Adjustment
LMS – Monthly Demand Rate	\$1.0000		\$1.0000
LMS – Daily Overrun Rate	\$0.1750		\$0.1750
LMS – Load Management Cost Reconciliation Adjustment		\$0.0390	

- 1/ Pursuant to Section 27 of the General Terms and Conditions of this Tariff, a mechanism is established to reconcile through surcharges or credits to the Rate Schedule LMS rate, as appropriate, differences between the cost to maintain Company's line pack gas and the amounts Company receives or pays for such gas arising out of the purchase and sale of such gas.

Rate Schedule	Maximum Rate Per Dekatherm	Minimum Rate Per Dekatherm
PAL		
NPL, OPL, and APL Service:		
Daily Commodity Rate	\$0.1750	\$0.0000
RPL Service:		
Daily Reservation Rate	\$0.1750	\$0.0000

36. ELECTRIC POWER COST RECOVERY ADJUSTMENT

36.1 General

This section provides for the recovery of electric power costs incurred by Company for compression of natural gas and for Company use and operations at stations with electric compression (Electric Power Costs). Company shall recover Electric Power Costs (EPCs) by means of a transportation Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment (EPCRA). The EPCRA shall be applicable to all firm and interruptible transportation services.

36.2 Electric Power Cost Adjustment

36.2.1 Filing of EPCRA

Company shall file annually, or at such other times as Company in its reasonable discretion determines necessary, to revise the EPCRA in accordance with this Section. Such annual filing shall be made at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change in the EPCRA, April 1 each year. Filings made at such other times as Company in its reasonable discretion determines necessary shall become effective at the first day of the month following 30 days after filing. Any such filing shall include revised tariff sections and supporting documentation setting out the proposed change. Company shall not be obligated to make a filing to recover the cost of electric power purchased by or for Company if such costs are for a period of less than 12 months.

36.2.2 Computation of EPCRA

The EPCRA shall be equal to the sum of the applicable Current EPC Charge and the associated Annual EPC Charge Adjustment.

36.2.3 Computation of Current EPC Charge

The Current EPC Charge shall be calculated by dividing:

36.2.3.1 The cost of electric power purchased by or for Company for use in the operation of electric powered compressor units and for Company use and operations for the previous 12 months; by

36.2.3.2 The confirmed scheduled receipt quantities for the previous 12 months.

36.2.3 Computation of Annual EPC Charge Adjustment

(a) Company shall maintain a Deferred Company's EPC Account to record over/under collections. The account may have a negative or positive balance to reflect any past over or under collections.

(b) The Deferred Company's EPC Account shall be increased or decreased for a positive or negative change in Company's EPC for each month, which shall be equal to the difference between (1) the applicable Company's EPC for month and (2) the applicable cost of electric power purchased by or for Company during such month.

(c) Each month, Company shall credit or debit the account(s), as appropriate, with carrying charges in a manner consistent with the procedures set forth in Section 154.501 or successor provision of the Commission's Regulations.

- (d) The Annual EPC Charge Adjustment shall be computed by dividing (1) the positive or negative balance in the applicable Deferred Company's EPC Account as of December 31 of the previous year by (2) the confirmed scheduled receipt quantities for the previous 12 months.
- (e) Interim filings of EPCRA pursuant to this Section 36 (e.g., those being made at a time other than the annual filing) shall calculate the revised Annual EPC Charge Adjustment by dividing (1) the positive or negative balance in the applicable Deferred Company's EPC Account as of the most recently completed month by (2) the confirmed scheduled receipt quantities for the previous 12 months.

# Appendix B

## Marked Tariff Record

STATEMENT OF RATES  
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Currently Effective Term-Differentiated Rates

Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate
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Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.6118
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
<b>Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.8583
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$4.8330
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.8060
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$4.7580
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.5662
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000

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Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1614
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0859
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1268
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1589
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0851
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Commodity Rates 1/			
FT-A – Maximum Rates			
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Daily Commodity Rate	\$0.1750	\$0.0000
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#### 36.1 General

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Company shall file annually, or at such other times as Company in its reasonable discretion determines necessary, to revise the EPCRA in accordance with this Section. Such annual filing shall be made at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change in the EPCRA, April 1 each year. Filings made at such other times as Company in its reasonable discretion determines necessary shall become effective at the first day of the month following 30 days after filing. Any such filing shall include revised tariff sections and supporting documentation setting out the proposed change. Company shall not be obligated to make a filing to recover the cost of electric power purchased by or for Company if such costs are for a period of less than 12 months.

##### 36.2.2 Computation of EPCRA

The EPCRA shall be equal to the sum of the applicable Current EPC Charge and the associated Annual EPC Charge Adjustment.

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August 31, 2023

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

Re: Viking Gas Transmission Company  
Implementation of Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment  
Docket No. RP23-991-000

Dear Ms. Bose:

Pursuant to section 4 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 154 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”),<sup>1</sup> Viking Gas Transmission Company (“Viking”) respectfully submits for filing and acceptance the tariff records listed below for inclusion in its FERC Gas Tariff, Volume No. 1 (“Tariff”) with a proposed effective date of November 1, 2023.

Part 5.0.0, Statement of Rates, v. 53.0.0  
Part 8.36, Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment, v. 0.0.0

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

By November 1, 2023, Viking expects to place into service its first electric-driven compressor units, replacing obsolete gas-driven compressor units.<sup>2</sup> Given that these are Viking’s first electric-driven compressor units, Viking’s Tariff lacks a means to recover these operating expenses, though Viking’s Tariff provides a mechanism to recover its operating expenses to power gas-driven compressor units.<sup>3</sup> Accordingly and consistent with Commission policy allowing pipelines to include in their tariff trackers to “recover compressor fuel used in normal pipelines operations,”<sup>4</sup> Viking proposes to revise the General Terms and Conditions (“GT&C”) of its Tariff to include a mechanism for recovering amounts for Electric Power Costs (“EPCs”) through an Electric Power Cost Recovery Adjustment (“EPCRA”).

New GT&C Section 8.36 will allow Viking to recover EPCs for the purchase of electric power used for the operation of electric motor driven transmission compressor stations. As explained below, Viking proposes an initial rate of \$0.0344 per Dth, which is the quotient of the aggregate

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<sup>1</sup>15 U.S.C. § 717; 18 C.F.R. Part 154.

<sup>2</sup> See Advance Notification of Natural Gas Facilities Replacement, Docket No. CP22-499-000 (Aug. 15, 2022); Advance Notification of Natural Gas Facilities Replacement, Docket No. CP22-500-000 (Aug. 15, 2022).

<sup>3</sup> See Tariff, GT&C 8.36.

<sup>4</sup> *Texas Eastern Transmission, L.P.*, 181 FERC ¶ 61,165, at P 18 (2022).

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of the current estimate of the EPCs divided by the confirmed scheduled receipts to determine the proposed initial EPCRA (i.e., the period of July 2022 through June 2023). Per proposed GT&C Section 8.36, Viking will “true up” any differential between the amounts recovered and Viking’s actual expenses at the time of Viking’s next annual filing. Viking’s inclusion of a true-up mechanism ensures that Viking recovers only its actual expenses, and is consistent with Commission policy and precedent that “permit[s] pipelines to implement surcharges for tracking electric and other costs incurred in operating compressors.”<sup>5</sup> Accordingly, Viking is requesting approval of an annual adjustment mechanism that will track costs actually incurred on a yearly basis.

Viking’s proposed EPCRA is just and reasonable, and consistent with Commission policy. In addition, Viking sought input from its shippers before submitting this proposal. Viking posted the proposed Part 8.36 Tariff record for Shipper review and comment on August 4 through August 18, 2023. Viking received no response, inquiries, or feedback of any kind.

The EPCRA will be filed annually and may also be filed at other times if determined necessary in Viking’s reasonable discretion. The EPCRA will consist of two parts: the Current EPC rate and the Annual EPC Charge Adjustment. The Current EPC Rate reflects the cost of electric power purchased by or for Company for use in the operation of electric powered compressor units and for Company use and operations for the previous year divided by the confirmed scheduled receipt quantities for the previous year.

Viking will maintain a Deferred Company's EPC Account to record over/under collections. The Annual EPC Charge Adjustment shall be computed by dividing the positive or negative balance in the Deferred Company's EPC Account by the confirmed scheduled receipt quantities for the previous year.

Viking proposes an initial rate of \$0.0344. The methodology used to determine the rate is similar to the one included in the proposed tariff provision, however, because actual costs have yet to be incurred and there is not historical data, the initial cost is based on an estimate of EPCs. The estimate is listed in lines 1-3 of Schedule 1 in Appendix C. The total costs as estimated for this initial period were then divided by the total confirmed scheduled receipts for transportation services shown on line 5 of Schedule 1. Schedule 2 illustrates how line 5 was determined based on the confirmed scheduled receipt quantities for July 2022 through June 2023. While the initial rate does not include the Annual EPC Charge Adjustment, as there is no historical data to include, any over or under recovery from the initial rate proposed here will be tracked and trueed up at the time of Viking’s first annual EPCRA filing.

### **Materials Enclosed**

In accordance with section 154.7 of the Commission’s regulations, Viking submits the following materials:

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<sup>5</sup> *Northern Border Pipeline Co.*, 113 FERC ¶ 61,230 at 61,903 (2005).

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1. An eTariff XML 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 copy of the tariff records in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary; and
4. Appendix B – a marked copy of the tariff records in PDF format for publishing in eLibrary.
5. Appendix C – the workpapers providing supporting calculations used in deriving the proposed surcharge.

### **Proposed Effective Date**

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(3) of the Commission's regulations, Viking respectfully requests that the tariff record submitted herewith be approved effective November 1, 2023. In accordance with section 154.7(a)(9) of the Commission's regulations, Viking hereby moves to place the proposed Tariff section into effect at the end of any suspension period if one is so ordered by the Commission.

### **Waivers**

Pursuant to section 154.7(a)(7) of the Commission's regulations, Viking has not identified any additional waivers of the Commission's regulations needed to permit its filing to become effective as proposed; however, Viking 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 Viking'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 Viking's office at 100 West Fifth Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Denise Adams

Denise Adams  
Director, Regulatory Affairs  
ONEOK, Inc.  
100 West 5th Street  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

Attachments

# Appendix A

## Clean Tariff Records

STATEMENT OF RATES  
 (Rates Per Dekatherm)

Currently Effective Term-Differentiated Rates

Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate
<b>Category 1 (Contract Term of Less than 3 Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.9106
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate 1/	\$4.9080
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.6118
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
<b>Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.8583
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$4.8330
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.5890
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
<b>Category 3 (Contract Term of 5 or more Years)</b>	
Monthly Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$3.8060
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$4.7580
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$2.5662
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000

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Category 1 (Contract Term of Less than 3 Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1286
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1614
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0859
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1268
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.1589
Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate	\$0.0851
Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Category 3 (Contract Term of 5 or more Years)	
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Daily Reservation Rates	
FT-A	
Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate	\$0.1251
Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate	\$0.0000
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Commodity Rates 1/			
FT-A – Maximum Rates			
Zone 1-1	\$0.0136	\$0.0344	0.00%
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Zone 2-2	\$0.0136	\$0.0344	0.00%
Minimum Rate	\$0.0136		
IT and AOT			
Zone 1-1	\$0.1422	\$0.0344	0.00%
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Zone 2-2	\$0.0995	\$0.0344	0.00%
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Rate Schedule	Base Tariff Rate	Adjustment Under Section 27 1/	Rate After Current Adjustment
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Rate Schedule	Maximum Rate Per Dekatherm	Minimum Rate Per Dekatherm
PAL		
NPL, OPL, and APL Service:		
Daily Commodity Rate	\$0.1750	\$0.0000
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# Appendix C

## Workpapers

**Viking Gas Transmission Company**  
**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**

**Schedule 1**

<b>Line No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	
1	Estimated Electric Cost Ada Compressor Station	\$2,996,685
2	Estimated Electric Cost Frazee Compressor Station	1,386,397
3	Total Costs	<u>\$4,383,082</u>
		<b>Usage (Dth/Season)</b>
4	Confirmed Scheduled Receipts	127,243,245
5	Total Usage	<u>127,243,245</u>
6	Electric Power Cost Recovery Rate (\$/Dth)	<u>\$0.0344</u>

**Schedule 2**

**Viking Gas Transmission Company**  
**Electric Power Cost Recovery**  
**Effective November 1, 2023**  
**Confirmed Scheduled Receipt Quantities**

**Schedule 2**

<b>Line No.</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Volumes (Dth)</b>
	<b>(a)</b>	<b>(b)</b>
1	July-22	10,389,839
2	August-22	10,870,577
3	September-22	13,023,388
4	October-22	11,926,674
5	November-22	11,024,120
6	December-22	15,176,099
7	January-23	13,309,128
8	February-23	11,736,629
9	March-23	11,067,945
10	April-23	6,937,782
11	May-23	6,040,271
12	June-23	<u>5,740,793</u>
13	Total Quantities	<u><u>127,243,245</u></u>