

**BEFORE THE
RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

APPLICATION FILED BY GULF COAST	§	
EXPRESS PIPELINE, LLC TO	§	GAS UTILITIES DOCKET NO. 10825
IMPLEMENT A RATE PURSUANT TO	§	
NGPA § 311	§	
	§	

ORDER

Notice of Open Meeting to consider this Order was duly posted with the Secretary of State within the time period provided by law pursuant to Chapter 551 (Open Meetings) of the Texas Government Code. The Railroad Commission of Texas (“Commission”) adopts the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and orders as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Gulf Coast Express Pipeline, LLC (“GCX” or “Applicant”) owns and operates an intrastate natural gas pipeline within the State of Texas.
2. On February 28, 2019, GCX filed with the Commission an application for review of the reasonableness of transportation rates under Section 311 of the NGPA.
3. On February 28, 2019, GCX filed direct testimony and accompanying schedules supporting the application.
4. Applicant does not seek to change or modify any existing intrastate rates.
5. Due notice of this proceeding was served on all persons for whom Applicant performs § 311(a)(2) transportation services.
6. This docket was processed informally without an evidentiary hearing. No motion to intervene or statement of protest was filed.
7. GCX has shown that a volumetric rate for interruptible transportation of \$0.4750 per MMBtu and retention for actual fuel, including compressor stations and lost and unaccounted-for gas, is fair and reasonable and not in excess of a cost-based rate.
8. Applicant has shown that a firm transportation rate consisting of a daily demand charge of \$0.4750 per MMBtu, no usage charge, and retention for actual system fuel is fair and reasonable and not in excess of a cost-based rate.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. GCX is an intrastate “gas utility” under GURA § 101.003 (Definitions).
2. Applicant transports natural gas on behalf of others pursuant to § 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, 15 U.S.C. § 3371, *et seq.*, and 18 C.F.R. 284.121-126 (2017).
3. The application is properly before the Commission pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 3371, *et seq.*, and TEX. UTIL. CODE ANN. § 121.151 (West 2007 & Supp. 2016).
4. A volumetric rate for interruptible transportation of \$0.4750 per MMBtu and retention for actual fuel, including compressor stations and lost and unaccounted-for gas, is fair and reasonable and not in excess of a cost-based rate.
5. A firm transportation rate consisting of a daily demand charge of \$0.4750 per MMBtu, no usage charge, and retention for actual system fuel is fair and reasonable and not in excess of a cost-based rate.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS hereby finds that a volumetric rate of \$0.4750 per MMBtu and retention for actual system fuel, including compressor stations and lost and unaccounted-for-gas, by Gulf Coast Express Pipeline, LLC is fair and equitable and not in excess of a cost-based rate.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS hereby finds that a firm transportation rate consisting of a daily demand charge of \$0.4750 per MMBtu, no usage charge, and retention for actual system fuel is fair and equitable and not in excess of a cost-based rate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law not specifically adopted herein are **DENIED**.

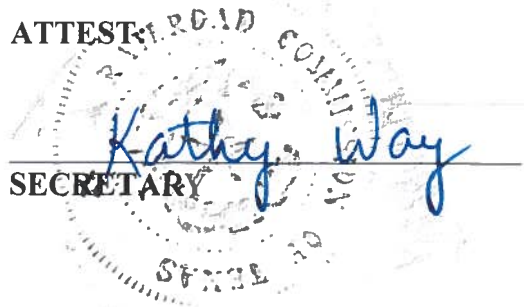
SIGNED this 23rd day of April 2019.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS


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ATTEST

Kathy Way
SECRETARY