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SECTION 1: NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED

None currently.

Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules For 2023

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

COMPLAINT OF TITAN ROCK E&P, LLC AGAINST JGE GAS SOLUTIONS, LP FOR VIOLATIONS OF RULE 73 ON VARIOUS WELLS AND LEASES, GREGG COUNTY, TEXAS; DISTRICT 06

HEARINGS DIVISION OS-23-00012928

NOTICE OF HEARING

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- Summary of the Proceeding and Factual Matters Asserted. On March 13, 2023, Titan Rock E&P, LLC ("Titan Rock") filed a complaint against JGE Gas Solutions, LP ("JGE") alleging that JGE unlawfully discontinued service to the Danville Field Wells operated by Titan Rock without obtaining Titan Rock's consent or approval from the Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") as required by Statewide Rule 73(b).
- **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** a public hearing will be held, at the time and place set out below, to consider all issues of fact and law raised in or relevant to Titan Rock's complaint.
- **Legal Authority and Jurisdiction.** The Commission has, or may have, jurisdiction over JGE, and the matters at issue in this proceeding, pursuant to Chapter 81 of the Natural Resources Code.
- The presiding Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") shall conduct the hearing pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2001 (Administrative Procedure Act) of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 1 (Practice and Procedure) of the Commission's rules, and other applicable authority.
- Particular Statutes and Rules Involved. The statutes and rules applicable to this proceeding may include, but are not limited to, the following: Chapter 1 (Practice and Procedure) and Chapter 3 (Oil and Gas), including Commission Rule § 3.73 (Pipeline Connection; Cancellation of Certificate of Compliance; Severance) of the Commission's rules.
- *Time, Place, and Nature of Hearing.* IT IS DIRECTED that the hearing on the merits shall commence at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 26, 2023, in the William B. Travis Building, located at 1701 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. Please check with Docket Services (Room 12-123) the morning of the hearing for the room location. If the hearing is not concluded on the day it commences, the hearing will be continued from day to day, as announced, until concluded.
- IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED that all parties desiring to present sworn testimony, documentary and demonstrative evidence, and argument regarding any issue of law or fact at the final hearing on the merits shall appear in person or by an attorney. For good cause shown, the ALJ may permit part of the

proceeding to be conducted telephonically pursuant to Commission Rule § 1.112 (Proceedings by Telephony).

- *Written Transcript of the Hearing.* The record of the hearing will be made by recording device or by stenographic transcription by the court reporter. Any party that desires a written transcription of the hearing should contact the court reporter at (512) 282-0313. The Commission may assess the cost of the transcript or expedited transcript to one or more parties pursuant to Section 2001.059 (Transcript) of the Texas Government Code.
- Auxiliary Aids or Services for Persons with a Disability. Any individual with a disability who needs auxiliary aids and services to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in the hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the hearing by notifying the Human Resources Department of the Commission by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 or by telephone at (512) 463-6981 or TDD No. (800) 735-2989.
- **Contact for Additional Information** In accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §2001.061 and 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.6, ex parte communications with the Administrative Law Judges, Examiners, and Commissioners are prohibited. Any persons or entities desiring additional information may contact the Commission by writing to the Director, Hearings Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, 1701 North Congress Avenue, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, and Austin, Texas 78711-2967. Any persons or entities having clerical questions, such as questions regarding the number of copies of filings, the service list or reviewing the record, may contact Docket Services at (512) 463-6848.

Signed on June 2, 2023.

BRENNAN J. FOLEY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

SECTION 3: STATUS OF PENDING CASES

None currently.

SECTION 4: NOTICES OF DISMISSAL

None currently.

SECTION 5: ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION

1. Case No. 00012762 Application of Hooks Gas Pipeline, LLC for Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment.

a. <u>Interim Rate Adjustment Order</u> (06/13/2023)

2. Case No. 00012763 Application of Universal Natural Gas, Inc. For Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment For The Unincorporated Service Areas.

a. Interim Rate Adjustment Order (06/13/2023)

- **3. Case No. 00012779** Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the Houston Division and Cities that have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Railroad Commission of Texas.
 - a. Interim Rate Adjustment Order (06/13/2023)
- **4. Case No. 00012780** Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the unincorporated areas of the Texas Coast Division and cities that have ceded jurisdiction to the Railroad Commission of Texas.
 - a. Interim Rate Adjustment Order (06/13/2023)
- 5. Case No. 00012781 Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the South Texas Division and Cities that have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Railroad Commission of Texas.
 - a. Interim Rate Adjustment Order (06/13/2023)
- 6. Case No. 00012782 Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the Beaumont/East Texas Division and Cities that have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Railroad Commission of Texas.
 a. Interim Rate Adjustment Order (06/13/2023)
- 7. Case No. 00012849 Application of Texas Gas Service Company for Test Year 2022 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the West North Service Area.
 a. Interim Rate Adjustment Order (06/13/2023)
- 8. OS-23-00010813 Application of INEOS Chocolate Bayou Pipeline, LLC, for a waiver pursuant to Commission Rule §8.125 of certain remediation requirements for a segment of its Pyrolysis Gasoline (Pygas)/Benzene Pipeline located in Brazoria and Galveston Counties, Texas.

 a. <u>Final Order</u> (06/13/2023)
- 9. OS-23-00013758 Statement of Intent Filed by Atmos Pipeline -- Texas, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, to change the Rate CGS and Rate PT Rates of Atmos Pipeline Texas.
 a. Suspension Order (06/13/2023)

SECTION 6: MISCELLANEOUS

A. Gas Services Department Publications and Statistics

- 1. Gas Utilities Information Bulletins available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-</u> services/publications-statistics/.
- 2. Rate Review Handbook available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-</u>statistics/.
- 3. Gas Utilities Annual Statistics available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/</u>.
- 4. Gas Storage Statistics available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/</u>.
- 5. Six MCF Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Texas Cities available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/</u>.

B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits

1. The Public Utility Commission of Texas has published that the interest rate to be applied customer deposits in calendar year 2023 is 1.36%. All gas utilities should use 0.06% for the calendar year 2022 and 0.61% for calendar year 2021. This information can be found at:<u>https://ftp.puc.texas.gov/public/puct-info/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf</u>

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C. Audit Forms

- 1. Gas Utility Tax and Annual Forms available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-</u> services-forms/.
- 2. Gas Utility Annual Reports available on Neubus at: <u>https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php? module =esd& action =keysearch&profile=13</u>.
- 3. Information relating to any of the above, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Department, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of ten business days for completion of requests.
- 4. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022 or fax your request to 512-475-3180.

D. Market Oversight Section Forms

- 1. Annual Earnings and Monitoring Report available at <u>https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/</u>.
- 2. Interim Rate Adjustment Application (GRIP) and Customer Notice available at https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/.

E. Gas Utility Docket Information

- 1. Orders and Proposals for Decision are published on the Commission's web site at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/ and RRC CASES at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/ and RRC CASES at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/ and RRC CASES at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/ and RRC CASES at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/rrc-cases/.
- 2. Gas Utility Dockets are also available on Neubus at <u>https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-</u> rrc/index.php? module =esd& action =keysearch&profile=14.

F. Natural Gas Tariff Filings

- 1. Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Andrea Maxwell, Janet Sims, Alexis Larraga, Marisol Gomez or Malachi Chavelas-Miranda at (512) 463-7167.
- 2. Natural Gas Tariffs and Rate Schedules available at <u>https://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-</u> services/natural-gas-tariffs-rate-schedules/.

G. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariff Filings

- 1. Questions pertaining to the filing of common carrier pipeline tariffs should be directed to Janet Sims at 512-463-6779.
- 2. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariffs available at <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-</u> services/common-carrier-pipeline-tariffs/.

H. Propane Distribution Systems

1. Propane distribution price cap information is available at: <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/propane-distribution-systems/</u>.

I. Curtailment Plan (§7.455)

- 1. Curtailment questions should be referred to 512-463-7167 or by email at <u>naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov</u>.
- 2. Curtailment reports made during normal business hours, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to 512-463-7167.
- 3. Curtailment reports made after hours or during holidays, should be made to 512-463-6788.

J. Compliance Filings

1. Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Claudia Godoy at 512-463-7118 or by email at <u>GUD_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov</u>.

K. Complaints and Inquiries

- 1. Residential and Commercial Propane and Natural Gas Complaints should be made at <u>GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov</u> or by phone at 512-463-7164.
- 2. Informal Gas Purchasing, Selling, Transportation or Gathering Practice Complaints should be submitted online at <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/complaint-filing/informal-gas-transportation-purchase-complaint-preliminary-information-online-form/</u> or at 512-463-7167.
- 3. Informal Complaint Preliminary Information form available at <u>https://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/</u>.

L. Non-Submetered Master Meter Disconnections

a. Municipalities wishing to opt in receiving notice from utilities when non-submetered master metered multifamily property is subject to disconnection of service due to non-payment can do so at <u>http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/non-submetered-master-meter-disconnections/</u>.

M. Texas Utilities Codes

b. Available through the State of Texas website at <u>https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/</u>.

N. Texas Administrative Codes

c. Available at the State of Texas website at: <u>http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7</u>.

O. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations

d. Pending rules and regulations available at <u>https://www.rrc.texas.gov/general-counsel/rules/proposed-rules/.</u>

P. Proposed Form Amendments (PFD):

e. PFDs available at https://www.rrc.texas.gov/forms/proposed-form-amendments/.

Q. Hearings and Legal Analysis

f. Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the Office of General Counsel at 512-463-7149.

R. Status of Pending Cases

g. The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the Office of General Counsel at 512-463-7149.