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December 28, 2017

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426 OIL PIPELINE TARIFF FILING SPECIAL PERMISSION REQUESTED

Re: Belle Fourche Pipeline Company—Joint Tariff Filing

Dear Secretary Bose:

In compliance with the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.* ("ICA"), and the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission"), 18 C.F.R. Part 341, Belle Fourche Pipeline Company ("Belle Fourche") hereby submits for filing F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0 to become effective on January 1, 2018, which is on three days' notice. F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0 is a joint tariff between Belle Fourche, Bridger Pipeline LLC ("Bridger") and Tallgrass Pony Express Pipeline, LLC ("Tallgrass").

# I. Explanation of Tariff Filing

Belle Fourche is filing F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0 for the following reasons:

In F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0, Belle Fourche has updated the Table of Joint Rates to establish new volume incentive uncommitted shipper joint rates that will apply to any shipper that ships under the tariff and that meets the requisite volume threshold. In particular, Belle Fourche has established two tiers of volume incentive uncommitted shipper joint rates: (1) the first tier applies to any shipper that ships between 5,000 to 59,999 barrels per day, and (2) the second tier applies to any shipper that ships 60,000 or greater barrels per day. Belle Fourche is including with this tariff filing a sworn affidavit that each of the uncommitted shipper joint rates established in F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0 is less than the sum of the individual local base rates for the same movement.

In addition, Belle Fourche is decreasing certain of the committed shipper joint rates set forth in the Table of Joint Rates in accordance with the requirements of the throughput and deficiency agreements that were entered into during the joint open season held by Belle Fourche and Kinder Morgan Pony Express Pipeline LLC ("KM PXP"), Tallgrass' predecessor. A description of the project, including the underlying throughput and deficiency agreements, was included in the petition for declaratory order submitted by Belle Fourche and KM PXP on August 17, 2012 in

Docket No. OR12-26-000, which was subsequently approved by the Commission in its declaratory order. 1

In addition to the above, Belle Fourche has (1) added new language to the cover page of the tariff seeking special permission to file the tariff on short notice, as required by 18 C.F.R. § 341.14, and (2) updated certain of the tariff cross-references contained in the "Joint Routing" notes to ensure that the correct tariff record version is referenced. Apart from these changes, Belle Fourche has not made any other changes in F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0.

## **II.** Contact Information for Joint Carriers

Bridger and Tallgrass concur in this joint tariff filing. The contact information for Bridger is Mr. Tad True, who may be reached at 307.237.9301, and the contact information for Tallgrass is Mr. David Haag, who may be reached at 303.763.3258.

# III. Special Permission Requested

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 341.14 (Special Permission), Belle Fourche requests that it be granted a waiver under Section 6(3) of the ICA to file F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0 on three days' notice, so that it may become effective on January 1, 2018. Belle Fourche submits that good cause exists for granting a waiver under Section 6(3) of the ICA. Permitting the tariff to become effective on less than 30 days' notice will allow shippers to begin shipping under the tariff as soon as possible and to qualify for the discounted rates set forth therein. Belle Fourche acknowledges that this tariff publication is conditionally accepted subject to refund pending a thirty-day review period.

### IV. Certification

I hereby certify that, on or before this date, copies of the publications attached hereto have been sent to each subscriber by electronic service, or by other means of transmission agreed upon in writing by the subscriber.

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 343.3(a) (Filing of Protests and Responses), Belle Fourche requests that any protest of this filing be telefaxed at the time the protest is filed to Deborah Repman, fax number 713.357.6775, and Manuel Lojo, fax number 307.237.3164.

Should you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at 713.357.6241 or by email communication at <a href="mailto:drepman@cblpipelinelaw.com">drepman@cblpipelinelaw.com</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Belle Fourche Pipeline Co., 141 FERC ¶ 61,180 (2012).

Respectfully submitted,

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Robert Stamp, first

being duly sworn according to law upon his oath, and stated that the following facts are true:

"My name is Robert Stamp. I am the Director, Business Development for Belle Fourche

Pipeline Company ("Belle Fourche"), and, as such, have personal knowledge of the facts stated in

this Affidavit.

Belle Fourche is filing F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0, which is a joint tariff between Belle Fourche,

Bridger Pipeline LLC and Tallgrass Pony Express Pipeline, LLC, to establish, inter alia, new volume

incentive uncommitted shipper joint rates that will apply to any shipper that ships under the tariff and

that meets the requisite volume threshold. The tariff is scheduled to become effective January 1.

Belle Fourche represents that the volume incentive uncommitted shipper joint rates

established in F.E.R.C. No. 123.13.0 are less than the sum of the individual local base rates

applicable to the same movements.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct."

Robert Stamp

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME on this 27 day of December, 2017.

Notary Public for the State of Wyoming

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My Commission Expires: Nov. 21, 2018

# BELLE FOURCHE PIPELINE COMPANY

#### **AND**

# **BRIDGER PIPELINE, LLC**

#### IN CONNECTION WITH

# TALLGRASS PONY EXPRESS PIPELINE, LLC

#### JOINT TARIFF

Applying on the Transportation of

#### Crude Petroleum

The rates published in this tariff are for the transportation of Crude Petroleum by pipeline subject to the regulations named in Belle Fourche Pipeline Company's ("Belle Fourche") F.E.R.C. No. 112.18.0, Bridger Pipeline LLC's ("Bridger") F.E.R.C. No. 26.11.0 or Tallgrass Pony Express Pipeline, LLC ("Tallgrass") F.E.R.C. No. 1.8.0 or subsequent issues thereof and any further limitations specified in the local tariffs that comprise the joint movements specified herein. Rates are payable in U.S. currency.

Filed pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 341.3.

## [N] Request for Special Permission

Issued on three days' notice under authority of 18 C.F.R. § 341.14. This tariff publication is conditionally accepted subject to refund pending a 30-day review period.

The provisions published herein will, if effective, not result in an effect on the quality of the human environment.

#### EXPLANATION OF REFERENCE MARKS

[**D**] Decreased rate.

[N] New.

[U] Unchanged rate.

[W] Change in wording only.

ISSUED: December 28, 2017 EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2018

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#### **Table of Joint Rates**

List of Points from and to which rates apply and rates on petroleum in cents per barrel of 42 US gallons.

Origins	Destination	Committed Shipper Joint Rates (1)			[N] <u>Uncommitted</u> Shipper Joint Rates (1)	
		10,000- 24,999 barrels per day commitment	25,000- 59,999 barrels per day commitment	60,000 barrels per day commitment or greater	[N] <u>5,000</u> - <u>59,999</u> <u>barrels</u> <u>per day</u>	[N] 60,000 barrels per day or greater
Hwy 23 (Keene) Station, McKenzie County, North Dakota (3)	Deeprock Terminal and Connecting Carriers, Cushing, Payne County, Oklahoma (2)  Or  Phillips 66, Ponca City, Key County, Oklahoma  Or  Augusta Destination, located near El Dorado, Kansas (8)  Or  McPherson Destination located near McPherson, Kansas (8)	[U] 785.93	[U] 675.90	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>873.26</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>416.67</u>
Interconnection Points on Four Bears Pipeline in Dunn and McKenzie Counties, North Dakota (3)		[U] 785.93	[U] 675.90	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[N] 873.26	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>416.67</u>
Hwy 200 (Killdeer) Station, Dunn County, North Dakota (3)		[U] 785.93	[U] 675.90	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[N] <u>873.26</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>416.67</u>
Skunk Hill Station, Billings County, North Dakota (3)		[U] 785.93	[U] 675.90	[U] 649.70	[N] <u>N/A</u>	[N] <u>N/A</u>
Fischer Station, Richland County, Montana (4)		[U] 702.10	[U] 607.78	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>790.50</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>416.67</u>
Richey Station, Dawson County, Montana (4)		[U] 702.10	[U] 607.78	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>782.49</u>	[N] <u>416.67</u>
Alexander Station, McKenzie County, North Dakota (5)		[U] 785.93	[U] 675.90	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[N] <u>873.26</u>	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>416.67</u>
Belle Fourche Pipeline in Billings, Golden Valley, Stark and McKenzie Counties, ND (5)		[U] 785.93	[U] 675.90	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>375.00</u>	[N] 873.26	[ <b>N</b> ] <u>416.67</u>
Belle Fourche Sandstone Station (Route 9), Fallon County, Montana (6)		[U] 628.75	[U] 628.75	[U] 628.75	[N] <u>N/A</u>	[N] <u>N/A</u>
Belle Fourche Guernsey Station (Route 8), Platte County, Wyoming (7)		[U] 407.64	[U] 360.48	[ <b>D</b> ] <u>286.00</u>	[N] <u>440.52</u>	[N] <u>317.78</u>

#### **Notes:**

<sup>(1)</sup> The "Committed Shipper Joint Rates" are available to those shippers that entered into a Throughput and Deficiency Agreement with both Belle Fourche and Tallgrass during the joint Open Season the carriers held in May, 2012 ("Open Season"), and committed therein to ship the specified amount of Crude Petroleum per day either from or through Belle Fourche's terminal at Guernsey, Wyoming, to any of the Destinations specified above ("Committed Shippers"). Shippers that are not Committed Shippers may ship volumes from the above-stated Origins to the above-stated Destinations via the local tariffs of Belle Fourche, Bridger and Tallgrass referenced in the notes below under "Joint Routing." [N] The "Uncommitted Shipper Joint Rates" are available to any shipper that ships under this tariff and that meets the requisite volume threshold.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes confirmed nominated deliveries to terminals at Blue Knight, Rose Rock, Enterprise, Enbridge, Plains All-American, Deeprock South, Deeprock North, NGL Energy Partners, and Seaway Crude Pipeline Company LLC.

#### **Joint Routing:**

(3) Bridger – Origin Stations, in Dunn, McKenzie and Billings County, North Dakota, for delivery to Sandstone Station, Fallon County, Montana (Bridger F.E.R.C. No. 36.16.0) connecting to:

Belle Fourche at Sandstone Station, Fallon County, Montana for delivery to Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. 119.9.0) connecting to:

Tallgrass at Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. [W] 129.1.0 115.16.0), for further delivery to the Destinations (Tallgrass F.E.R.C. No. 2.8.0). Gathering performed in association with the movements subject to this note will be assessed charges and loss allowance therefore as set forth in the individual tariffs for such gathering service.

(4) Bridger – Origin Stations, in Richland and Dawson Counties, Montana for delivery to Sandstone Station, Fallon County, Montana (Bridger F.E.R.C. No. 28.12.0) connecting to:

Belle Fourche at Sandstone Station, Fallon County, Montana for delivery to Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. 119.9.0) connecting to:

Tallgrass at Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. [W] 129.1.0 115.16.0), for further delivery to the Destinations (Tallgrass F.E.R.C. No. 2.8.0). Truck unloading or gathering performed in association with the movements subject to this note will be assessed the charges and loss allowance therefore as set forth in the individual tariffs for such truck unloading or gathering service.

(5) Belle Fourche – Origin Stations, in Billings, Golden Valley, Stark and McKenzie Counties, North Dakota for delivery to Sandstone Station, Fallon County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. 121.9.0) for delivery to Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. 119.9.0) connecting to:

Tallgrass at Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. [W] 129.1.0 115.16.0), for further delivery to the Destinations (Tallgrass F.E.R.C. No. 2.8.0). Gathering performed in association with the movements subject to this note will be assessed charges and loss allowance therefore as set forth in the individual tariffs for such gathering service.

(6) Belle Fourche – Origin Station, in Fallon County, Montana for delivery to Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. 119.9.0) connecting to:

Tallgrass at Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. [W] <u>129.1.0</u> <u>115.16.0</u>), for further delivery to the Destinations (Tallgrass F.E.R.C. No. 2.8.0).

- (7) Belle Fourche Origin Station, at Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming for delivery to Tallgrass at Guernsey Station, Platte County, Wyoming (Belle Fourche F.E.R.C. No. [W] <u>129.1.0</u> <u>115.16.0</u>), for further delivery to the Destinations (Tallgrass F.E.R.C. No. 2.8.0).
- (8) All movements to the Augusta Destination or the McPherson Destination shall be subject to an additional charge (*i.e.*, in addition to all other applicable tariff rates, fees and charges) of \$0.10 per barrel.

## Pump Over/Storage Charges

## At Origins

The pumpover charge from Belle Fourche's Guernsey Station into Tallgrass' pipeline system at Guernsey Station is included in the rates provided in the Table of Joint Rates above.

#### At Destinations

There will be no pump-over charges for deliveries made to the Ponca City Refinery, Rose Rock, Blue Knight, Plains All American Pipeline, Enterprise, Enbridge, Deeprock North, and Deeprock South terminal(s) from the Deeprock Terminal. For deliveries made to the NGL Energy Partners terminal, an additional pump-over charge of [U] \$0.08 per barrel will be assessed, and for deliveries made to Seaway Crude Pipeline Company LLC, an additional pump-over charge of [U] \$0.10 per barrel will be assessed.

#### **Pipeline Loss Allowance**

Each shipper moving under this Joint Tariff shall pay the pipeline loss allowance applicable in each line segment comprising shipper's joint movement upstream of Sandstone Station, as set forth in the rules and regulations applicable to each such line segment plus 0.25% for movements on Routes 8 and 9.

Shippers shall also pay a pipeline loss allowance associated with the Deeprock Terminal based on actual loss experienced at the Deeprock Terminal.

#### **Deficiency Charges and Incremental Barrel Movements**

If a Committed Shipper ships fewer barrels of Crude Petroleum in a month than such Committed Shipper committed to ship therein ("Monthly Minimum Commitment"), then the Committed Shipper shall make a payment to such carriers for the difference ("Deficiency Payment"), with the Deficiency Payment being calculated by multiplying the Committed Shipper Rate applicable to the Committed Shipper's Monthly Minimum Commitment times the difference between (i) the actual number of barrels that the Committed Shipper shipped in the month and (ii) the Committed Shipper's Monthly Minimum Commitment ("Monthly Deficient Barrels").

The applicable Deficiency Payment that a Committed Shipper makes to the Belle Fourche and Tallgrass shall be used a credit, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, against any transportation charges the Committed Shipper may owe to such carriers for the transportation of barrels of Crude Petroleum, under this Joint Tariff, that are in excess of the Committed Shipper's Monthly Minimum Commitment ("Incremental Barrels").

Any payment that a Committed Shipper makes to Belle Fourche and Tallgrass for the transportation of Incremental Barrels shall be used as a credit, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, against any future Deficiency Payment that the Committed Shipper may owe to such carriers; provided, however, that any transportation charge for Incremental Barrels that a Committed Shipper pays for by application of a Deficiency Payment credit cannot subsequently be used as credit against future Deficiency Payments owed by the Committed Shipper.