



## Colonial Pipeline Company

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THIS TARIFF IS ISSUED BY:

- Colonial Pipeline Company (Colonial)

**Re: FERC Tariff No. 98.33.0, Colonial Pipeline Company Rules and Regulations Tariff**

FERC No. 98.33.0, canceling FERC No. 98.32.0 (Docket No. IS17-587-000).

In accordance with section 6 of the Interstate Commerce Act (the "ICA") and the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the "Commission" or "FERC"), Colonial hereby submits for filing FERC No. 98.33.0, canceling FERC No. 98.32.0 (Docket No. IS17-587-000). Colonial is requesting that the Tariff become effective October 12, 2017, on 30 days' notice.

#### **Explanation of Proposed Tariff Revision**

*FERC No. 98.33.0, cancels FERC No. 98.32.0 (Docket No. IS17-587-000).*

FERC No. 98.33.0 updates Item No. 10 within Colonial's Rules and Regulations Tariff, which governs the transportation of petroleum products and which is to become effective October 12, 2017. Specifically, Colonial adds to Item No. 10 a provision, which provides that:

In the event the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and/or the applicable states issue a Fuel Waiver that effectively modifies the specifications requirements for a

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particular grade or grades of gasoline, Carrier may modify its specifications for those grades to comply with the waiver allowance. Specification changes will be immediate with notice from Colonial. Grades with the same specifications will be commingled in Colonial system. Carrier will have no liability to Shipper as a result of such modification, other than as set forth in Item 60.

All other rules remain unchanged.

### **Purpose of Proposed Tariff Revision**

Colonial's tariff revision is designed to align Colonial's product specifications with EPA and state<sup>1</sup> issued Fuel Waivers and avoid the need in the future to request an emergency waiver such as Colonial filed on September 5, 2017.<sup>2</sup> For example, if Fuel Waivers are granted allowing 11.5 RVP gasoline to be sold in the retail market when it otherwise would not be eligible for sale, then the specification(s) for the lower RVP gasoline(s) currently being transported and nominated on Colonial would be modified such that all grades of gasoline available for transport have an 11.5 RVP limit. This allows Colonial to accept the higher RVP gasoline even if the nomination in the system is for a traditionally lower RVP gasoline (e.g., accept A3 gasoline when the nomination is for A2), because the RVP limit for the traditionally lower RVP gasoline now accommodates 11.5 RVP product. Without this change, Colonial would be unable to accept the 11.5 RVP fuel produced as a result of the waivers unless the shipper changed its nomination to reflect that grade of product, because Colonial's tariff does not permit it to accept product that does not conform to the specifications of the product that was nominated. Further, the change allows Colonial to commingle all grades of a similar product, which facilitates the movement of product on Colonial's system. Shippers are protected because Colonial's liabilities set forth in Item 60 remain unchanged. Colonial respectfully requests that this language be added to its tariff in light of its recent experience with Hurricane Harvey.

### **Notification**

Pursuant to 18 CFR Section 343.3, Colonial requests that any protests or complaints related to these publications be transmitted via facsimile to the attention of Helene Long at (678) 762-2883 and confirmed by her or her administrative assistant at (678) 762-2322.

I hereby certify that I have on or before this date distributed by agreed-upon means, one copy of the publication listed hereon to all subscribers thereto. Questions regarding this tariff filing should be directed to Lindsey Woody at (678) 762-2502.

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<sup>1</sup> In addition to EPA regulations that govern the Reid Vapor Pressure ("RVP") of a product, the states have their own RVP requirements that must be waived before a higher RVP product can be sold for retail in that state.

<sup>2</sup> On September 5, 2017, Colonial requested an emergency waiver of certain requirements in its tariff for petroleum products transportation service between origin points in the Gulf Coast region and destination points on its pipeline system throughout the Southern and Eastern Seaboard States. The Commission granted the emergency waiver request on September 5, 2017. *Colonial Pipeline Company*, 160 FERC ¶ 61,048 (2017).

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lindsey Woody". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L' and 'W'.

Lindsey Woody, Supervisor  
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