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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

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In Reply Refer To:  
Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P.  
Laurel Pipe Line Company, L.P.  
Docket Nos. OR18-22-000,  
IS19-277-001, IS19-278-001,  
IS19-277-002, and IS19-278-002

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Attention: Alan M. Seltzer

Dear Messrs. Barr and Seltzer:

1. On July 31, 2019, Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P. (Buckeye) and Laurel Pipe Line Company (Laurel) filed a joint Offer of Settlement (Settlement) in Docket Nos. OR18-22-000, IS19-277-002, and IS19-278-002 together with Giant Eagle, Inc., Guttman Energy, Inc., Lucknow-Highspire Terminals, LLC, Monroe Energy, LLC, Philadelphia Energy Solutions Refining and Marketing, LLC, and Sheetz, Inc. (collectively Shippers, with Buckeye/Laurel, Parties).<sup>1</sup>

2. The Settlement resolves all issues in the above-referenced proceedings including the petition for declaratory order in Docket No. OR18-22-000 and related rehearing requests by Buckeye and Laurel in Docket Nos. IS19-277-001 and IS19-278-001. With

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<sup>1</sup> An errata to the Settlement was filed on August 2, 2019.

this Settlement the Parties have comprehensively resolved their dispute over what services are to be provided by Laurel and Buckeye. A similar settlement was also filed with, and approved by,<sup>2</sup> the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PaPUC) to resolve parallel disputes that had been pending before the PaPUC and the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court.

3. Public notice of the Settlement was issued on August 22, 2019, providing for initial comments to be filed on or before September 5, 2019, and reply comments to be filed on or before September 12, 2019. On September 5, 2019, the PaPUC and Shippers filed comments in support of the Settlement. No adverse comments have been filed.

4. The Explanatory Statement for the Settlement provides at section VI. D. that:

The standard of review for any modifications to the Settlement Agreement by the Commission acting *sua sponte*, proposed by a non-settling party, or proposed by the Parties acting unanimously is the ordinary just and reasonable standard. The “public interest” standard of review shall apply to modifications sought by fewer than all of the settling Parties.

5. The Settlement appears to be fair and reasonable and in the public interest, and is hereby approved. The Commission’s approval of this Settlement does not constitute approval of, or precedent regarding, any principle or issue in these proceedings.

6. This letter order terminates Docket Nos. OR18-22-000, IS19-277-001, IS19-278-001, IS19-277-002, and IS19-278-002.

By direction of the Commission.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,  
Deputy Secretary.

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<sup>2</sup> See Comments of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in Support of Joint Offer of Settlement, Attachment A (*Giant Eagle, Inc. v. Laurel Pipe Line Co., L.P.*, Docket No. C-2018-3003365 (Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission August 29, 2019)).