

Empire Pipeline, Inc. (“Empire”) is pleased to announce the commencement of an Open Season for contractual primary receipt and delivery point changes for shippers currently holding eligible transportation capacity under its Firm Transportation (“FT” and “FT-EN”) and/or Firm Transportation No-Notice (“FTNN”) rate schedules. MPCL – Corning receipts and various NFGSC delivery points are being made available through this point change Open Season.

**Capacity & Points:**

*Point Change R:* In this Open Season, Empire may award primary receipt point changes to **MPCL – Corning** (022008810). To be eligible, a shipper must have existing FT receipt point entitlement(s) at **NFGMIDCOV - NFG Midstream Covington, LLC** (EPRU91111), **TEUI - Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC** (EPRU91101) and/or **NFGSC – Tuscarora** (022009010).

*Point Change D:* In this Open Season, Empire may also award primary delivery point changes to **NFGSC – Grand Island** (012003010), **NFGSC – Pendleton** (012003020), and **NFGSC – Wheatfield** (012003015), **up to 8,500 dth/d**. To be eligible, a shipper must have an existing FT delivery point entitlement at **TGP – Hopewell** (412856) and must also request a primary receipt point change in accordance with the terms of *Point Change R* above. For each Dth requested in *Point Change R*, the volume awarded in *Point Change D* must be proportionately equivalent to the existing contract holder’s percentage of total MDQ currently being delivered to TGP – Hopewell.

See examples below for further clarification:

Existing Eligible FT MDQ	= 10,000 dth/d
Existing Contractual Receipts	= 10,000 dth/d at NFGMIDCOV - NFG Midstream Covington, LLC
Existing Contractual Deliveries	= 8,000 dth/d to TCPL – Chippawa and 2,000 dth/d to TGP – Hopewell*

*\*Existing TGP – Hopewell entitlement represents 20% of the total contract MDQ and this proportion may not change with awards in this Open Season.*

**Example 1:**

**If:** Point Change R Awarded Volume = 5,000 dth/d (50% of total contracted MDQ)

**Then:** Point Change D Awarded Volume = 1,000 dth/d\* (50% of the existing TGP – Hopewell entitlement)

*\*Point Change D award represents 20% of the total quantity awarded in Point Change R.*

**Example 2:**

**If:** Point Change R Awarded Volume = 10,000 dth/d (100% of total contracted MDQ)

**Then:** Point Change D Awarded Volume = 2,000 dth/d\* (100% of the existing TGP – Hopewell entitlement)

*\*Point Change D award represents 20% of the total quantity awarded in Point Change R.*

Empire reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify the amount of awarded capacity to be greater or less than any estimated quantity listed above, based on the system hydraulics associated with specific requests.

**Open Season Time Frame:**

February 6 2024, through 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on February 14, 2024.

**Term:**

Commencing as early as February 15, 2024, but not later than March 1, 2024. No min/max term requirement.

**Rate Information:**

The current applicable FT-A and FTNN-A Empire tariff rates are listed in the table below:

Maximum Rate	100% Load Factor Rate*	Rate Component
\$7.0333 per Dth/d	\$0.2321	Annual Reservation Rate (monthly, applied to contract MDTQ)
\$0.0009 per Dth		Commodity Rate (applied to Dth quantity transported)

\*100% Load Factor Rate is exclusive of Transport Fuel and surcharges listed below

The current applicable FT-EN-A and FTNN-EN-A Empire tariff rates are listed in the table below:

Maximum Rate	100% Load Factor Rate*	Rate Component
\$10.0699 per Dth/d	\$0.3311	Annual Reservation Rate (monthly, applied to contract MDTQ)
\$0.0000 per Dth		Commodity Rate (applied to Dth quantity transported)
(\$0.0658) per Dth		EPCR Monthly Demand Rate
(\$0.0049)		EPCR Volumetric Rate

The current applicable tariff Transport Fuel and Surcharges are listed in the table below:

Rate	Transport Fuel and Surcharge Components
0.16%	Existing Shipper Fuel Retention (“TFD”)
0.20%	Other Gas for Transporter’s Use (“OGFTU”)
\$0.0014 per Dth	Applicable FERC ACA Commodity Surcharge (daily, applied to Dth quantity transported)
1.43%	Empire North Fuel Retention (“ENF”)

**Fuel and Loss Allowances:**

TFD, ENF and OGFTU retention are established and subject to change under the tracking mechanism guidelines in Empires’ GT&C Section 23 tariff sheets. OGFTU is applicable to all transportation quantities. Please refer to section 23.2 of Empire’s GT&C to determine the applicability of TFD and ENF.

**Bid Award Process:**

During the Open Season period, Empire will accept requests for FT primary receipt and delivery point changes and extensions of primary term only. An eligible bid must conform to the receipt and delivery point methodology prescribed in the “Capacity & Points” section of this document.

Requests for rate discounts or discounts of Transportation Fuel/LAUF will not be accepted. Shippers are allowed to revise their bids within the posting period. A Shipper’s bid shall be exclusive of all applicable surcharge(s) including ACA Commodity Surcharge. All acceptable requests will be ranked, and the best bid(s) determined based on the highest net present value (“NPV”) of any incremental FT reservation charge revenue, per unit of capacity (Dth/day) requested. The incremental reservation charge revenue shall be calculated based on bidders’ proposed contract term extension. The NPV calculation will only be based on length of contract term extensions and will utilize a monthly rate of 0.8% (9.6% annually) for discounting purposes. Bidders that

do not propose an extension of existing contract term will result in an NPV of zero, per unit of capacity (Dth/day).

If multiple shippers submit requests that are equivalent in value and term, the available capacity shall be prorated to those shippers based on the quantities requested.

Participation in this Open Season is non-binding for bidders and Empire.

**Bid Process and Documents:**

All requests must be submitted using a Service Request Form (“SRF”). Bidders may complete an SRF online, download the [PDF version](#) from the Forms section of our website, or obtain one by contacting our Marketing Department at (716) 857-7485. The completed Bid Form and SRF can be emailed to [Marketing@NatFuel.com](mailto:Marketing@NatFuel.com).

**Credit Requirements:**

Shippers will be required to demonstrate creditworthiness or provide a credit alternative acceptable to Empire.

**Service Agreements:**

Successful bidders will be required to execute and return service agreement amendment(s) within 3 business days after they are received.

Questions may be directed to the Marketing Department at (716) 857-7485, or to one of the Marketing Representatives listed here:

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