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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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In Reply Refer To:
ANR Pipeline Company
Docket No. RP19-1467-000

ANR Pipeline Company
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Attention: John A. Roscher,
Director, Rates & Tariffs

Reference: Petition for Temporary and Limited Tariff Waiver

Dear Mr. Roscher:

1. On August 12, 2019, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) filed a request for waiver of Part 6.3.3 of the General Terms and Conditions (GT&C) of its FERC Gas Tariff, which limits the time period for which ANR may reserve capacity for a potential expansion project to one year prior to the certificate filing. ANR requests waiver of GT&C Part 6.3.3 to continue to reserve capacity for its proposed Grand Chenier expansion project (ANR Project) for another year, until September 14, 2020.¹ The Grand Chenier expansion would serve Venture Global Calcasieu Pass, LLC's (Project Shipper) proposed natural gas liquefaction terminal (LNG Project). As discussed below, the Commission grants ANR's limited tariff waiver request.

2. ANR states that it has an executed Precedent Agreement with the Project Shipper for the entire amount of capacity reserved for the expansion. ANR seeks waiver for an additional year to allow it to begin preparing its application for authorization to construct and operate the ANR Project, which it anticipates filing with the Commission by the end of the second quarter of 2020. ANR states that, on December 21, 2018, the Project

¹ The Commission granted ANR's prior waiver request to reserve the capacity through September 14, 2019 in *ANR Pipeline Co.*, 164 FERC ¶ 61,179 (2018).

Shipper and ANR executed an Amended and Restated Precedent Agreement that increased the total ANR Project capacity from 700,000 dekatherms (Dth)/day to 1,100,000 Dth/day. ANR states that the Project Shipper informed ANR that it has secured 20-year commitments for approximately 80 percent of the output of its LNG Project, which is to be served by the ANR Project. ANR further states that on February 21, 2019, in Docket No. CP15-550-000, et al., the Commission granted authorization to the Project Shipper to site, construct, and operate the LNG Project.²

3. ANR asks that the Commission grant waiver as expeditiously as possible because the current capacity reservation under the prior waiver expires on September 14, 2019. ANR submits that good cause exists to grant the waiver and allow ANR to continue to reserve the capacity to facilitate the proposed expansion.

4. Public notice of the filing was issued August 14, 2019. Interventions and protests were due as provided in section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations.³ Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure,⁴ all timely motions to intervene and any unopposed motions to intervene out-of-time filed before the issuance date of this order are granted. Granting late intervention at this stage of the proceeding will not disrupt this proceeding or place additional burdens on existing parties. On August 16, 2019, the Project Shipper filed supporting comments. No protests or adverse comments were filed. The waiver is therefore uncontested.

5. It appears that ANR continues to reasonably support the need for extending the capacity reservation, and there are no objections to an extension. The Commission therefore finds good cause to grant ANR's unopposed request for limited waiver of Part 6.3.3 of the GT&C of ANR's FERC Gas Tariff for another year. Accordingly, the waiver extension is granted, and the reservation of capacity shall continue as needed until September 14, 2020.

By direction of the Commission.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

² Transmittal at 4 & n.4 (citing *Venture Global Calcasieu Pass, LLC*, 166 FERC ¶ 61,144 (2019)).

³ 18 C.F.R. § 154.210 (2019).

⁴ 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2019).