

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

February 12, 2004

In Reply Refer To:
Bridgeline Holdings, L.P.
Docket Nos. PR01-16-000
and PR01-16-001

Bridgeline Holdings, L.P.
333 Clay Street, Suite 4400
Houston, TX 77002

Attention: Hugh Connett, President

Reference: Stipulation and Agreement

Dear Mr. Connett:

1. The Stipulation and Agreement (Settlement) filed by Bridgeline Holdings, L.P. (Bridgeline) on December 23, 2003, reasonably resolves the issues in this proceeding, produces fair and equitable rates, and is therefore approved. This order benefits Bridgeline's current and potential shippers by affording them alternative transportation services at reasonable rates.
2. The following is a summary of the major provisions of the Settlement:
 - a. Effective June 1, 2001, the maximum fair and equitable rates for NGPA Section 311 transportation service performed on Bridgeline's system are \$.2536 per MMBtu for interruptible service, a monthly reservation rate of \$.0000 per MMBtu for firm service, and a firm usage rate of \$.2536 per MMBtu. Bridgeline is authorized to retain from its shippers .87% of volumes received to compensate Bridgeline for compressor fuel, company use and unaccounted for gas, effective June 1, 2001.
 - b. Bridgeline agrees to file an amended Statement of Operating Conditions to reflect that Bridgeline will not charge a metering fee. Bridgeline agrees to file its amended Statement of Operating Conditions within 30 days of the date the Commission approves the Settlement.

- c. The provisions of the Settlement shall not become effective unless and until the Commission issues an order accepting and approving all terms and conditions of the Settlement and such order becomes final and no longer subject to rehearing.
 - d. Bridgeline agrees to file a petition under Section 311 of the NGPA on or before June 1, 2004 to allow the Commission to determine whether Bridgeline's rates remain fair and equitable.
3. Bridgeline represents that it has not charged rates in excess of those rates specified in 2.a. above subsequent to June 1, 2001 for Section 311 service performed on its system. Accordingly, no refunds are due.
 4. Initial comments on the Settlement were due by January 12, 2004, and reply comments were due by January 16, 2004. No comments were received.
 5. This letter order does not relieve Bridgeline of its obligations to file the required reports under Part 284 of the Commission's regulations. The Commission's approval of this Settlement does not constitute precedent regarding any principle or issue in this proceeding.

By direction of the Commission. Commissioner Brownell concurring with a separate statement attached.

Linda Mitry,
Acting Secretary.

cc: All parties

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BROWNELL, Commissioner, concurring:

For the reasons set forth in Green Canyon Pipe Line Company, L.P., 98 FERC ¶ 61,041 (2002), I would not impose a triennial rate approval requirement on Section 311 pipelines. Here, Bridgeline Holdings has agreed to make a triennial rate approval filing as part of an overall settlement. Therefore, I agree with the result of this order which is to approve an uncontested settlement.

Nora Mead Brownell
Commissioner