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Re: Application of Laurel Pipe Line Company, L.P. for All Necessary Authority, Approvals, and Certificates of Public Convenience To Change the Direction of Petroleum Products Transportation Service to Delivery Points West of Eldorado, Pennsylvania

Docket No. A-2016-2575829

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed please find the Prehearing Conference Memorandum of Laurel Pipe Line Company, L.P. in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies will be provided as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony D. Kanagy

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cc: Certificate of Service Honorable Eranda Vero

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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# **BEFORE THE** PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application of Laurel Pipe Line Company,

L.P. for All Necessary Authority, Approvals, and Certificates of Public Convenience To

Change the Direction of Petroleum Products

Transportation Service to Delivery Points

West of Eldorado, Pennsylvania

Docket No. A-2016-2575829

# PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM OF LAUREL PIPE LINE COMPANY, L.P.

#### TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE VERO:

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.222(d) and the Prehearing Conference Order dated February 7. 2017. Laurel Pipe Line Company, L.P. ("Laurel" or the "Company") hereby submits this Prehearing Conference Memorandum.

#### I. SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS

Laurel's attorneys in this proceeding are David B. MacGregor, Esquire, Anthony D. Kanagy, Esquire, Todd J. Russo, Esquire, Jessica R. Rogers, Esquire, and Garrett P. Lent, Esquire. Laurel requests that Garrett P. Lent be listed as the recipient for service. Mr. Lent's contact information is:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Currently pending before Your Honor is a Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* for Christopher J. Barr, Esq., as counsel for Laurel for all purposes in relation to these proceedings. Upon granting of this Motion, Christopher J. Barr will also enter an appearance before the Commission on behalf of Laurel.

Laurel also requests that Mr. MacGregor, Mr. Barr, Mr. Kanagy, Ms. Rogers, and Mr. Russo be added to any e-mail and e-service distribution lists in this proceeding. Mr. MacGregor's email address is dmacgregor@postchell.com, Mr. Barr's email address is cbarr@postchell.com, Mr. Kanagy's email is akanagy@postschell.com, Ms. Rogers' email address is jrogers@postschell.com, and Mr. Russo's email address is trusso@buckeye.com. In addition, Laurel agrees to receive service of documents electronically in this proceeding.

#### II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On November 14, 2016, Laurel filed the above-captioned Application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") at Docket No. A-2016-2575829. The Application sought all necessary, authority, approvals and Certificates of Public Convenience, to the extent required, authorizing Laurel to change the direction of its petroleum products transportation service over a portion of its system west of Eldorado, Pennsylvania, and confirming that Laurel may, in its discretion, reinstate the current direction of service in the future without further Commission approval.

On November 16, 2016, the Commission issued a Secretarial Letter requiring Laurel to publish notice of the Application in a newspaper of general circulation in the area involved and to file proof of publication with the Commission on or before December 19, 2016. The November 16, 2016 Secretarial Letter also scheduled publication of the notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* in the December 3, 2016 issue, and set the deadline to file formal protests and petitions to intervene on December 19, 2016.

On November 22, 2016, Gulf Operating, LLC ("Gulf") filed a Petition to Intervene and Motion to Extend the Deadline for Protests.

On November 28, 2016, Laurel filed an Answer to Gulf's Petition to Intervene and Motion to Extend the Deadline for Protests.

On December 6, 2016, the Commission issued a Secretarial Letter supplementing its prior November 16, 2016 Secretarial Letter and the Notice published in the December 3, 2016 edition of the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Therein, the Commission granted Gulf's Petition to Intervene, and granted, in part, Gulf's Motion to Extend the Deadline for Protests and set the new deadline for formal protests and petitions to intervene in the proceeding at 4:30 p.m. on February 1, 2017. The Commission also directed Laurel to serve a copy of its Application by December 19, 2016, on the following entities: (1) current customers using the subject pipeline; (2) former customers who used the subject pipeline during the period from January 1, 2015, through the date of filing; and (3) prospective and committed customers Laurel expects to use the subject pipeline if the flow direction of the line is changed.

On December 8, 2016, Philadelphia Energy Solutions Refining and Marketing LLC ("PESRM") filed a Petition to Intervene and Answer in Support of Gulf Operating, LLC's Motion to Extend Deadline for Protests. Laurel filed its Answer to PESRM's Petition to Intervene and Answer in Support of Gulf Operating, LLC's Motion to Extend Deadline for Protests on December 27, 2016.

On December 15, 2016, Laurel filed Affidavits for Proof of Publication indicating that the Public Notice for the Application had been published in five newspapers.<sup>2</sup>

On December 19, 2016, Laurel served a copy of its Application on the three groups of entities described in the Commission's December 6, 2016 Secretarial Letter, and filed a copy of its letter indicating such service with the Commission.

On December 20, 2016, the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement ("I&E") served a Notice of Intervention on the parties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Public Notice was published in all five newspapers on December 6, 2016. As such, it reflected the version of the Public Notice that was included in the Commission's November 16, 2016 Secretarial Letter.

On January 3, 2017, Monroe Energy, LLC ("Monroe") filed a Petition to Intervene in the proceeding. Laurel filed its Answer to Monroe's Petition on January 23, 2017.

On January 31, 2017, Sunoco, LLC filed a Petition to Intervene.

On February 1, 2017, Gulf, PESRM, Monroe, and I&E filed formal Protests in the proceeding.

On February 1, 2017, Giant Eagle, Inc. ("Giant Eagle") and Sheetz, Inc. ("Sheetz") each filed a Petition to Intervene and Protest in the Proceeding. Clean Air Council ("CAC") also filed a Petition to Intervene. Husky Marketing and Supply Company ("HMSC") also filed a Petition to Intervene, in support of the Application, on February 1, 2017.

In addition to the aforementioned Protests and Petitions to Intervene, numerous individuals submitted letters commenting on the Application to the Commission.

On February 6, 2017, Laurel filed a Capacity Agreement at Docket No. G-2017-2587567, which, if approved, would allow Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P. ("Buckeye") to provide the eastbound service over the affected portion of Laurel's pipeline system described in the Application. On February 7, 2017, Laurel filed a Motion to Consolidate consideration of this Capacity Agreement with consideration of the above-captioned proceeding.

On February 7, 2017, Laurel served the following Direct Testimony and associated exhibits on the Administrative Law Judge, and Gulf, PESRM, Monroe, I&E, Sunoco, Giant Eagle, Sheetz, CAC, and HMSC (collectively "the Parties"): (1) Laurel St. No. 1 – Direct Testimony and Exhibits of David W. Arnold; (2) Laurel St. No. 2 – Direct Testimony and Exhibits of William J. Hollis; (3) Laurel St. No. 3 – Direct Testimony of Michael J. Kelly; (4) Laurel St. No. 4 – Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Thomas S. Collier; (5) Laurel St. No. 5 –

Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Michael J. Webb; and (6) Laurel St. No. 6 – Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Robert G. Van Hoecke.

## III. ISSUES

As addressed fully in Laurel's Application, the Company has determined that it is in the public interest to change the direction of flow of a portion of its petroleum products pipeline system, *i.e.* to points west of Eldorado, PA. Laurel intends to demonstrate that, Commission approval for this change in service either is not required, or if required, approval of this Application is necessary or proper for the service, accommodation, convenience, or safety of the public, and should be approved.

# IV. LAUREL'S MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

As noted above, Laurel filed a Motion to Consolidate the consideration of the Capacity Agreement filed at Docket No. G-2017-2587567 with the above-captioned proceeding on February 7, 2017. For the reasons more fully explained in Laurel's Motion to Consolidate, Laurel respectfully requests that Your Honor grant its Motion, and consolidate consideration of these related proceedings.

# V. WITNESSES

As described above, Laurel served its Direct Testimony and associated Exhibits on the Administrative Law Judge and the Parties on February 6, 2017. Appendix A to this Prehearing Conference Memorandum provides an overview of the Laurel witnesses and the general subject matter presented in each witness's Direct Testimony. Laurel reserves the right to call additional witnesses, as necessary, to address issues that may arise during the course of this proceeding. Further, Laurel proposes that the Parties submit written testimony in this proceeding.

#### VI. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Laurel proposes the following procedural schedule:

February 7, 2017

Laurel Direct Testimony

February 14, 2017

Prehearing Conference

March 20, 2017

Direct Testimony of Other Parties

May 1, 2017

Rebuttal Testimony of All Parties

May 24, 2017

Surrebuttal Testimony

June 12-16, 2017

Evidentiary Hearing<sup>3</sup>

July 21, 2017

Main Brief

August 11, 2017

Reply Brief

The Company circulated this proposed procedural schedule among the parties, and understands that HMSC also agrees with this procedural schedule.

## VII. DISCOVERY

To date, Gulf and PESRM have served Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents upon Laurel. Laurel is not aware of any need to enter any special order regarding discovery. Based on the nature and scope of these interrogatories, Laurel does not believe that any change or modification in the standard timelines for discovery set forth in the Commission's regulations is necessary or appropriate for this stage of the proceeding.

However, Laurel requests the implementation of expedited discovery rules after the service of the Direct Testimony of Other Parties. To that end, Laurel proposes that Parties shall serve answers to written interrogatories within ten (10) calendar days of service after the Direct Testimony of other parties is served. Furthermore, Laurel encourages the use of informal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As the proposed schedule includes time for service of written Surrebuttal, Laurel also proposes that the Evidentiary Hearing provide an opportunity for the Company to submit Oral Rejoinder.

discovery to expedite the discovery process. Finally, Laurel proposed the use of electric service of discovery responses.

#### VIII. PROTECTION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Laurel has circulated a Proposed Motion for Protective Order and Proposed Protective Order to the parties, and will continue to work with the parties to ensure proper protection of Proprietary Information.

# IX. PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

To the extent that they are deemed necessary in this proceeding, Laurel will work with Your Honor, the Parties, and the Commission to schedule Public Input Hearings.

# X. SETTLEMENT

As of this time, no settlement discussions have been held. Laurel remains open and available for settlement discussions with the other parties and would support initiatives to begin settlement discussions at the earliest possible date.

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# Appendix A

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# **General Subject Matter**

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