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(i) If branch or diverging lines create two or more “next more distant” points, the carrier must apply the rate which results in the lowest charge.

(ii) If the intermediate point is located between two published destination points, the carrier must apply the rate which results in the higher charge.

(iii) If the intermediate point is between more than two published destination points due to branch or diverging lines, the carrier must eliminate all such points except that from which the lowest charge is applicable.

(iv) If there is in any other tariff a commodity rate to the proposed intermediate destination point that is applicable to the same movement, the carrier should not apply the provisions of this rule to such intermediate point.

(3) Intermediate origin and destination points. Both paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section may apply in connection with the same rate. In this instance, both regulations should be used to establish rates from intermediate points of origin to intermediate points of destination.

§ 341.12 Informal submissions.

Carriers may informally submit tariff publications or related material for suggestions of Staff prior to the filing of the tariff publications with the Commission.

§ 341.13 Withdrawal of proposed tariff publications.

(a) Proposed tariff publications. A proposed tariff publication which is not yet effective may be withdrawn at any time by filing a notice with the Commission with a certification that all subscribers have been notified by copy of such withdrawal.

(b) Tariff publications that are subject to investigation. A tariff publication that has been permitted to become effective subject to investigation may be withdrawn at any time by filing a notice with the Commission, which includes a transmittal letter, a certification that all subscribers have been notified of the withdrawal, and the previous tariff provisions that are to be reinstated upon withdrawal of the tariff publication under investigation. Such withdrawal shall be effective immediately upon the submission of the notice, unless a specific effective date is set forth in the notice, and must have the following effects:

(1) Any proceeding with respect to such tariff publication shall be terminated;

(2) The previous tariff rate shall be reinstated; and

(3) Any amounts collected under the withdrawn tariff publication which are in excess of the previous tariff rate shall be refunded within 30 days of the withdrawal with interest as calculated by § 340.1 of this chapter.

(c) Numbering and notating tariff publications. The FERC Tariff number assigned to a tariff publication that has been withdrawn may not be used again. The tariff publication filed in its place must bear the following notation:

Issued in lieu of [identify the rejected tariff publication], rejected by the Commission.

§ 341.14 Special permission.

(a) Procedure. Applications for waiver of the notice and tariff requirements of section 6(3) of the Interstate Commerce Act must be filed by the carrier concurrently with the tariff publication being proposed. The letter of transmittal must identify the filing as requesting a waiver under section 6(3) of
the Interstate Commerce Act. The application must state in detail any unusual circumstance or emergency situation that supports the requested waiver. If the application requests permission to make changes in joint tariffs, it must state that it is made on behalf of all carriers party to the proposed change. Tariff publications issued on short notice must contain the following statement on the Title Pages:

Issued on [insert number] days notice under authority of 18 CFR 341.14. This tariff publication is conditionally accepted subject to refund pending a 30 day review period.

(b) Conditional acceptance subject to refund. To permit short-notice filings to become effective as requested, the tariff publications filed concurrently with special permission requests for short (less than 30 days) notice will be deemed conditionally accepted for filing, subject to refund, until the Commission has had a full 30-day review period in which to process the filing. Refunds will be collected with interest as calculated according to §340.1 of this chapter. The refund obligation will automatically terminate with no refunds due at the end of the full 30-day notice period absent an order to the contrary issued by the Commission.

(c) Granting automatic permission. The special permission requested will be deemed automatically granted at the end of the full 30-day notice period absent an order denying such request.

§ 341.15 Long and short haul or aggregate of intermediate rates.

(a) Requests for relief from section 4. Carriers may file requests for relief from the provisions of section 4 of the Interstate Commerce Act in order to charge a greater amount for a shorter distance over the same line or route in the same direction, or to charge greater compensation as a through rate than the aggregate of the intermediate rates. Such request will be deemed granted unless the Commission denies the request within 30 days of the filing.

(b) Information required to be filed. A request for section 4 relief must contain the following information:

(1) The names of the carriers for which the relief is being requested.

(2) The FERC tariff numbers which contain the rates or charges referred to in the application, and identification of all the particular and related rates in question delineating origin and destination points.

(3) An accurate and complete statement giving the basis and reasoning why section 4 relief is necessary.

(4) A statement that the lower rates for longer than for shorter hauls over the same line or route are reasonably compensatory.

(5) A map showing the pipelines and origin and destination points in question and other pertinent information.

(c) Filing tariff publications concurrent with application. Applications for section 4 relief must be filed concurrently with the tariff publication filing establishing those rates. The transmittal letter must identify the filing as requesting section 4 relief.

(d) Tariff statement. Tariff publications filed containing such rates shall plainly state on the title page of the tariff publication that the rates contained therein contravene section 4 of the Interstate Commerce Act.

(e) Rounding through rates. When a carrier aggregates intermediate rates to make up through rates, it may round the resulting through rate to the nearest 0.5 whole cent.

PART 342—OIL PIPELINE RATE METHODOLOGIES AND PROCEDURES

§ 342.0 Applicability.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, rate changes by oil pipelines shall be governed by this part.

(b) Exception for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. This part shall not apply to the Trans-Alaska Pipeline authorized by the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Authorization Act (43 U.S.C. 1651, et seq.) or to any pipeline delivering oil directly or