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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of
Crimson California Pipeline L.P.
(PLC-26) for Authority to Increase
Rates for Its Crude Oil Pipeline
Services. (SOUTHERN
CALIFORNIA.)

Application 25-06-026

ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S SCOPING MEMO AND RULING

This scoping memo and ruling sets forth the issues, need for hearing, schedule, category, and other matters necessary to scope this proceeding pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1701.1 and Article 7 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules).

1. Procedural Background

On June 30, 2025, Crimson California Pipeline L.P. (Crimson) filed Application (A.) 25-06-026 requesting authority to increase the rates that it charges for transportation of crude oil on its Southern California pipeline system by 10% effective August 1, 2025. No protests were filed.

A prehearing conference (PHC) was held on October 7, 2025 to address the issues of law and fact, determine the need for hearing, set the schedule for resolving the matter, and address other matters as necessary. After considering Crimson's application and discussion at the PHC, I have determined the issues and initial schedule of the proceeding to be set forth in this scoping memo.

2. Issues

The issues to be determined or otherwise considered are:

1. Do the proposed rate increases comply with all applicable laws, regulations, general orders, and decisions of the Commission?
2. Is Crimson's proposal to increase rates by 10 percent effective August 1, 2025, reasonable and in the public interest?
3. Are there any safety considerations raised by Crimson's application?
4. Whether Crimson's application impacts the achievement of any goals of the Commission's Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan.

3. Need for Evidentiary Hearing

There are no issues of material disputed fact. Accordingly, no evidentiary hearing is needed.

4. Schedule

The following schedule is adopted here and may be modified by the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) as required to promote the efficient and fair resolution of the application:

Event	Date
Deadline for Applicant to submit evidence in support of the Application	January 30, 2026
Submission	February 6, 2026 ¹
Proposed decision (PD)	<i>[no later than 90 days after submission]</i>
Commission decision	<i>[no sooner than 30 days after PD]</i>

¹ If the Applicant does not submit evidence in support of the Application, the matter will be submitted on January 31, 2026.

The proceeding will stand submitted as set forth in the schedule above unless the ALJ requires further evidence or argument. The proposed decision is expected to be filed no later than 90 days after submission for public review and comment pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 311(d) except that, if it grants the uncontested requested relief, public review and comment shall be waived pursuant to Rule 14.6(c)(2). Based on this schedule, the proceeding will be resolved within 18 months as required by Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5.

5. Category of Proceeding and Ex Parte Restrictions

This ruling confirms the Commission's preliminary determination² that this is a ratesetting proceeding. Accordingly, ex parte communications are restricted and must be reported pursuant to Article 8 of the Rules.

6. Public Outreach

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1711(a), where feasible and appropriate, before determining the scope of the proceeding, the Commission sought the participation of those likely to be affected, including those likely to derive benefit from, and those potentially subject to, a decision in this proceeding. This matter was noticed on the Commission's daily calendar. Where feasible and appropriate, this matter was incorporated into engagements conducted by the Commission's External Affairs Division with local governments and other interested parties.

7. Intervenor Compensation

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1804(a)(1), a customer who intends to seek an award of compensation must file and serve a notice of intent to claim compensation by November 6, 2025, 30 days after the PHC.

² Resolution ALJ-176-3566.

8. Response to Public Comments

Parties may, but are not required to, respond to written comments received from the public. Parties may do so by posting such response using the “Add Public Comment” button on the “Public Comment” tab of the online docket card for the proceeding.

9. Public Advisor

Any person interested in participating in this proceeding who is unfamiliar with the Commission’s procedures or has questions about the electronic filing procedures is encouraged to obtain more information at <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/about-cpuc/divisions/news-and-public-information-office/public-advisors-office> or contact the Commission’s Public Advisor at 866-849-8390 or 866-836-7825 (TTY) or send an e-mail to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov.

10. Filing, Service, and Service List

The official service list has been created and is on the Commission’s website. Parties should confirm that their information on the service list is correct and serve notice of any errors on the Commission’s Process Office, the service list, and the ALJ. Persons may become a party pursuant to Rule 1.4.³ When serving any document, each party must ensure that it is using the current official service list on the Commission’s website.

This proceeding will follow the electronic service protocol set forth in Rule 1.10. However, until further notice, parties shall only submit electronic documents, both public and confidential versions, to the ALJ via e-mail. All

³ The form to request additions and changes to the Service list may be found at <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/-/media/cpuc-website/divisions/administrative-law-judge-division/documents/additiontoservicelisttranscriptordercompliant.pdf>

parties to this proceeding shall serve documents and pleadings using electronic mail, whenever possible, transmitted no later than 5:00 p.m., on the date scheduled for service to occur.

When serving documents on Commissioners or their personal advisors, whether or not they are on the official service list, parties must only provide electronic service. Parties must not send hard copies of documents to Commissioners or their personal advisors unless specifically instructed to do so.

Persons who are not parties but wish to receive electronic service of documents filed in the proceeding may contact the Process Office at process_office@cpuc.ca.gov to request addition to the “Information Only” category of the official service list pursuant to Rule 1.9(f).

The Commission encourages those who seek information-only status on the service list to consider the Commission’s subscription service as an alternative. The subscription service sends individual notifications to each subscriber of formal e-filings tendered and accepted by the Commission. Notices sent through subscription service are less likely to be flagged by spam or other filters. Notifications can be for a specific proceeding, a range of documents and daily or weekly digests.

11. Receiving Electronic Service from the Commission

Parties and other persons on the service list are advised that it is the responsibility of each person or entity on the service list for Commission proceedings to ensure their ability to receive e-mails from the Commission. Please add “@cpuc.ca.gov” to your email safe sender list and update your e-mail screening practices, settings and filters to ensure receipt of e-mails from the Commission.

12. Assignment of Proceeding

Matthew Baker is the assigned Commissioner and Minh LeQuang is the assigned ALJ for the proceeding.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The scope of this proceeding is described above and is adopted.
2. The schedule of this proceeding is set forth above and is adopted.
3. Evidentiary hearing is not needed.
4. The category of the proceeding is ratesetting.

Dated November 18, 2025, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MATTHEW BAKER

Matthew Baker
Assigned Commissioner