



DATE: April 2, 2024

TIME: 10:00 AM CPT

## **NON-BINDING OPEN SEASON FOR FIRM GAS STORAGE SERVICES (OPEN SEASON POSTING # LREC 0424-03)**

### **Open Season Timeline**

Leaf River Energy Center LLC ("Leaf River") is holding this Non-Binding Open Season in accordance with Section 6.3.1 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff (as it may be in effect from time to time, the "Tariff"), commencing at 10:00 AM Central Prevailing Time ("CPT") on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 and ending at 4:00 PM CPT on Thursday, May 2, 2024 (the "Open Season Period"). Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms that are used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Tariff. Leaf River is considering implementing a cavern capacity recovery program ("Capacity Recovery Program") in combination with certain additions and modifications to its facilities that would make available incremental firm storage capacity, as described in the Proposal section below. As such, Leaf River is conducting this Non-Binding Open Season to solicit interest in commitments for such service offerings. Leaf River will engage bidders to negotiate mutually acceptable terms on a not unduly discriminatory basis.

### **Proposal**

Leaf River is soliciting interest in firm storage capacity that will become available beginning April 1, 2025, under Leaf River's FSS Rate Schedule. The availability of the incremental firm capacity will be subject to Leaf River's ability to modify its existing facilities and recover cavern capacity. Therefore, any bidder awarded capacity under this Open Season will be required to enter into a Precedent Agreement with Leaf River in addition to an agreement for Firm Storage Service.

As Leaf River implements its Capacity Recovery Program, it anticipates recovering a certain amount of incremental cavern capacity each year that will be made available for firm storage service. The total quantities of MSQ, MDIQ and MDWQ being offered under this Open Season for each term are identified in the table below. The FSS offering includes ratchets on injections and withdrawals pursuant to Section 5.1.9 of the Tariff.

### Firm Storage Service Offering

Package	Available Term	Incremental MSQ (Dth)	Cumulative MSQ (Dth)	Total MDIQ (Dth per Day)	Total MDWQ (Dth per Day)
1	4/1/2025 – 3/31/2034	1,520,000	1,520,000	25,000	40,000
2	4/1/2026 – 3/31/2034	710,000	2,230,000	35,000	70,000
3	4/1/2027 – 3/31/2034	710,000	2,940,000	45,000	90,000
4	4/1/2028 – 3/31/2034	700,000	3,640,000	55,250	115,000
5	4/1/2029 – 3/31/2034	460,000	4,100,000	62,500	130,000

### Applicable Surcharges

Storage Inj Charge/Dth	Storage W/D Charge/Dth	Injection Fuel Rate	Withdrawal Fuel Rate
\$0.015	\$0.015	1.75%	1.75% applies to withdrawals to Sonat, Midct Express and Gulf South

In addition to the charges specified above, Customer shall pay all applicable taxes set forth in either the General Terms and Conditions of the FERC Gas Tariff or the firm gas storage Service Agreement and all other applicable Surcharges, including, but not limited to, ACA charges.

List of Available Rec/Del Points For Bid			
Dir Flo	Location Name	State	County
B	Destin	MS	Clarke
B	Gulf South	MS	Jasper
B	Midct Express	MS	Jasper
B	Sonat	MS	Jasper
B	Tennessee Gas	MS	Jasper
B	Transco	MS	Clarke

## **Submission of Bids**

To be considered eligible to be awarded capacity following this Non-Binding Open Season, each potential Customer must submit a bid utilizing the attached Bid Form or in another format that contains at least all the information requested in the Bid Form. All bids should refer to the Non-Binding Open Season Posting Number set forth above.

Bidders may request existing receipt or delivery point(s) or request new receipt or delivery point(s) to be added to Leaf River's header system. Bidders requesting new receipt or delivery point(s) should specify the location from or to which their gas will be received or delivered by Leaf River. The availability of existing receipt or delivery points is subject to reservation of capacity in accordance with the terms and conditions of Leaf River's FERC Gas Tariff. Leaf River will consider constructing laterals to other requested receipt or delivery points on a case-by-case basis.

Parties interested in this capacity should submit the Non-Binding Open Season Bid Form via e-mail to [LeafRiverMarketing@njresources.com](mailto:LeafRiverMarketing@njresources.com). Any bidder may confirm Leaf River's receipt of its bid by contacting the representative below between 8 AM and 5 PM CPT, Monday through Friday .

## **Bid Evaluation Procedures**

All valid bids for the Proposal received during this Open Season will be evaluated to determine the highest economic value to Leaf River in a not unduly discriminatory manner. Leaf River reserves the right to accept any one bid or combination of bids that will result in the highest economic value to Leaf River as determined by Leaf River in a not unduly discriminatory manner for the Proposal.

After the Open Season concludes, Leaf River representatives will contact all bidders who submit valid bids and are awarded capacity for the Proposal to finalize the terms upon which service will be provided.

No request for service shall be binding on Leaf River unless and until duly authorized representatives of both the bidder and Leaf River have executed a binding precedent agreement or service agreement. Leaf River reserves the right to reject any bidder's valid bid, in the event a duly authorized representative of such bidder has not executed a binding agreement within 30 days of the close of the Open Season or within a longer period mutually agreed to by the bidder and Leaf River, on a not unduly discriminatory basis.

## **Creditworthiness**

The terms and conditions governing Leaf River creditworthiness requirements are set forth in Section 6.31 of the Tariff's General Terms and Conditions. Any bidder desiring to request FSS under this Open Season may be required to provide Leaf River with a completed credit application form or otherwise have sufficient credit established to support a new contract.

## **Reservations**

Without limiting or waiving any other rights that Leaf River may have with respect to this Non-Binding Open Season, Leaf River reserves the following rights:

1. To decline to proceed with any portion of the Proposal.

2. To reject any bid which (i) may detrimentally impact the operational integrity of Leaf River's facility, (ii) yields an economic value that is unacceptable to Leaf River, (iii) does not satisfy all of the terms of this Open Season, (iv) does not contain all of the required information specified in this Open Season, (v) contains terms and conditions other than those contained in Leaf River's FERC Gas Tariff, and/or (vi) does not meet Leaf River's creditworthiness requirements set forth in Section 6.31 of the Tariff's General Terms and Conditions.
3. At any time during this Open Season, upon notice and in its sole discretion, to terminate this Open Season, to extend the Open Season Period, or to modify this Open Season.
4. To negotiate directly with bidders that submitted valid bids in this Non-Binding Open Season and mutually agree to modify terms and conditions of such bids.
5. To reject bids received after the Open Season Period.
6. To award capacity to mutually agreeable alternate receipt or delivery points if capacity is unavailable at the meters specified in any bid.
7. To award capacity for a quantity less than the bid quantity, if sufficient capacity is not available to award the entire bid quantity.

**For further information, please contact:**

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**Please submit the completed Open Season Bid Form via e-mail to [LeafRiverMarketing@njresources.com](mailto:LeafRiverMarketing@njresources.com)**