

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant To Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

January 23, 2017

TC PipeLines, LP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-35358

(Commission File  
Number)

52-2135448

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700  
Houston, TX

(Address of principal executive offices)

77002-2761

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

(877) 290-2772

(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On January 23, 2017, TC PipeLines, LP (the "Partnership") issued a press release announcing a fourth quarter 2016 cash distribution of \$0.94 per common unit payable on February 14, 2017 to common unitholders of record on February 2, 2017. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release of TC PipeLines, LP, dated January 23, 2017, reporting the Partnership's fourth quarter 2016 cash distribution.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**TC PipeLines, LP**  
by: TC PipeLines GP, Inc.,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Jon Dobson  
Jon Dobson  
Secretary

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Dated: January 23, 2017

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Exhibit No.**

**Description**

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Press Release of TC PipeLines, LP, dated January 23, 2017, reporting the Partnership's fourth quarter 2016 cash distribution.

# NewsRelease



## TC PipeLines, LP Announces Fourth Quarter 2016 Cash Distribution

**HOUSTON, TEXAS – (Marketwired – Jan. 23, 2017)** – TC PipeLines, LP (NYSE: TCP) (the Partnership) today announced that the board of directors of TC PipeLines GP, Inc., its general partner, declared the Partnership's fourth quarter 2016 cash distribution of \$0.94 per common unit. The distribution is unchanged from the third quarter 2016 distribution and represents a six percent increase from the \$0.89 per common unit distribution paid with respect to fourth quarter 2015.

This cash distribution is the 71<sup>st</sup> consecutive quarterly distribution paid by the Partnership and is payable on February 14, 2017 to unitholders of record at the close of business on February 2, 2017.

TC PipeLines, LP is a Delaware master limited partnership with interests in seven federally regulated U.S. interstate natural gas pipelines which serve markets in the Western, Midwestern and Eastern United States. The Partnership is managed by its general partner, TC PipeLines GP, Inc., a subsidiary of TransCanada Corporation (NYSE: TRP). For more information about TC PipeLines, LP, visit the Partnership's website at [www.tcpipelineslp.com](http://www.tcpipelineslp.com).

This release serves as qualified notice to nominees under Treasury Regulation Section 1.1446-4(b)(4) and (d). Please note that 100 percent of TC PipeLines, LP's distributions to foreign investors are attributable to income that is effectively connected with a United States trade or business. Accordingly, all of the Partnership's distributions to foreign investors are subject to federal income tax withholding at the highest effective tax rate for individuals or corporations, as applicable. Nominees are treated as the withholding agents responsible for withholding distributions received by them on behalf of foreign investors.

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