#### 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)

TC PipeLines, LP (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 001-35358 52-2135448 Delaware (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of incorporation) Number) Identification No.) 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700 Houston, TX 77002-2761 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (877) 290-2772 (Former name or former address if changed since last report) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class: Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered: Common units representing limited partner interests TCP New York Stock Exchange Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

January, 21 2020

## Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 21, 2020, TC PipeLines, LP (the "Partnership") issued a news release (the "News Release") announcing a fourth quarter 2019 cash distribution of \$0.65 per common unit payable on February 14, 2020 to common unitholders of record on January 31, 2020. A copy of the News Release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>99.1</u>	News Release of TC PipeLines, LP, dated January 21, 2020, reporting the Partnership's fourth quarter 2019 cash distribution.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File – the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.

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# 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: <u>/s/ Jon Dobson</u> Jon Dobson Secretary

Dated: January 22, 2020

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# TC PipeLines, LP announces fourth quarter 2019 cash distribution

HOUSTON, January 21, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) - 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 2019 cash distribution of \$0.65 per common unit. The distribution is unchanged from the distributions declared for the previous three quarters of 2019.

This cash distribution is the 83<sup>rd</sup> consecutive quarterly distribution paid by the Partnership and is payable on February 14, 2020 to unitholders of record at the close of business on January 31, 2020.

### About TC PipeLines, LP

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

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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