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Mr. Caspary:

The Southwest Power Pool Board of Directors voted on January 30, 2007 to accept Westar Energy's wavier request to approve the total cost of construction of the Sooner – Rose Hill 345 kV line for regional 'Base Plan' funding.


This letter is to inform you of the intent of the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company and Westar Energy to construct the Sooner – Rose Hill 345kV line. Each Company would construct the portion of the line within its respective state boundary. Letters of authorization from the Southwest Power Pool to OG&E and Westar Energy are required as soon as possible to ensure the project remains on the aggressive construction schedule necessary to satisfy the requirements of the Westar Energy request for transmission service. It is our understanding that these letters of authorization are pending SPP completion of the respective aggregate study and Westar Energy signing the appropriate Transmission Service Agreement. If it is determined that the line is not eligible for 'Base Plan' funding, please notify OG&E and Westar Energy immediately as this may change part or all of our commitments.

The consulting firm of Burns & McDonnell of Kansas City, Missouri, has been contacted to begin the siting process for the line. The design voltage of the line has not yet been determined, however, the substation terminal designs will be at 345 kV and the line will be initially operated at 345 kV. The line design will be determined in the near future after additional consultation with the SPP System Planning Department. OG&E and Westar await the letters of authorization to proceed with the development of this project. State filings for line siting, right-of-way and material acquisition, and construction will not begin until letters of authorization are received.

Thank you,



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