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June 27, 2007

Mr. Tom Stuchlik
Westar Energy Inc.
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RE: Transmission System Upgrade Authorization for Transmission Service Requests 1293991 and 1090416

Dear Mr. Stuchlik:

Southwest Power Pool has received Transmission Service agreements executed by Kansas Electric Power Cooperative and Westar Energy, Inc. for the above noted transmission service requests. In the facility study conducted in the assessment of this request, SPP concluded that system upgrades are required on the Westar transmission system as detailed in Aggregate Facility Study SPP-2006-AG2-AFS-4. SPP authorizes Westar to construct those upgrades to the transmission system concluded in the Facility Study to be necessary to provide the requested transmission service.

1. SPP authorizes Westar to rebuild 3.93 miles of the Coffeyville Tap – Dearing Ckt. 1 facility with 1590 kcmil ACSR conductor required by June 1, 2010.
2. SPP authorizes Westar to add a third 345/138kV transformer at Rose Hill Substation required by June 1, 2011.
3. SPP authorizes Westar to build approximately 50 miles of new 345kV circuit from the Oklahoma/Kansas state border to the Rose Hill Substation required by June 1, 2016.

Westar shall submit certification of commercial operation of the listed Network Upgrades to SPP as soon as the upgrade is completed and in service. Please provide SPP with the actual costs of these upgrades as soon as possible after the completion of construction. This will permit SPP to true up billing to actual costs on a timely basis.

Consistent with Section 20.1 of the SPP Tariff, please keep SPP advised of any inability on Westar's part to complete the upgrades in time to provide the committed service. Provide SPP with the construction schedule supporting the required upgrade noted above within 30 days of receipt of this Transmission System Upgrade Authorization letter. Based on this schedule, SPP will require quarterly updates to the schedule status.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'John E. Mills'.

John E. Mills
Manager, Tariff Studies

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cc: P. Bourne, L. Dillahunty, J. Caspary, J. Rooker