

## Regulatory Update - SPP's Most Notable Dockets First Quarter 2011

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<b>ER08-1419</b>	SPP Balanced Economic Portfolio Filing	There was no activity in this proceeding during the first quarter of 2011.
<b>ER09-1050 and ER11-121</b>	SPP Order 719 Compliance	There was no activity in this proceeding during the first quarter of 2011.
<b>ER09-1254 and ER11-2415</b>	Reform of Generation Interconnection Procedures ("Queue Reform Filing")	On February 2, 2011, FERC issued a letter order accepting SPP's December 20, 2010 compliance filing submitted in accordance with the November 18, 2010 Order issued in Docket No. ER09-1254.  An effective date of June 2, 2009 was granted.  SPP's second status report, pursuant to the July 31, 2009 Order, is due in July 2011.
<b>ER10-1069</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Adopt a "Highway/Byway" Regional Transmission Upgrade Cost Allocation Methodology	There was no activity in this proceeding during the first quarter of 2011.
<b>ER10-1269 and ER10-2244</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Incorporate a Modified Transmission Planning Process, the Integrated Transmission Plan ("ITP")	On February 2, 2011, FERC issued a letter order accepting SPP's August 16, 2010 compliance filing in ER10-2244, submitted pursuant to the July 15, 2010 Order issued in Docket No. ER10-1269.  An effective date of July 17, 2010 was granted.
<b>ER11-13</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Incorporate Standards Adopted in Order Nos. 676-E, 676-F, 729, and 729-B	On March 28, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions incorporating standards adopted in Order Nos. 676-E, 676-F, 729, and 729-B.  An effective date of May 24, 2010 was granted for tariff revisions to comply with Order No. 676-F. An effective date of April 1, 2011 was granted for tariff revisions to comply with Order Nos. 676-E and 729.
<b>ER11-1896</b>	SPP Order 739 Compliance Filing	On January 3, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's October 25, 2010 Order No. 739 compliance filing, effective September 24, 2010 as requested.
<b>ER11-2101</b>	SPP Submission of Revisions to its Membership Agreement to Modify Transmission Owner Definition	On January 7, 2011, FERC issued a letter order accepting the revisions modifying the definition of transmission owner, effective January 12, 2011 as requested.
<b>ER11-2103</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Modify Transmission Owner Definition	On January 7, 2011, FERC issued a letter order accepting the revisions modifying the definition of transmission owner, effective January 12, 2011 as requested.
<b>ER11-2303</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Implement New Daily Non-Firm On- and Off-	On February 25, 2011, FERC issued a deficiency letter requesting additional information in order to process the filing.

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	Peak Point-To-Point Transmission Service	<p>1) FERC requested SPP to correct an error regarding when requests for both daily non-firm on-peak and off-peak Point-to-Point transmission service must be made;</p> <p>2) FERC requested SPP to explain how the daily curtailment priority afforded daily non-firm on-peak and off-peak Point-to-Point transmission service is communicated in the SPP Tariff, as well as the product's curtailment priority relative to daily 24-hour service and hourly service; and</p> <p>3) FERC requested SPP to explain which rates in Attachment T of the SPP Tariff apply to daily non-firm on-peak and off-peak Point-to-Point transmission service and how this is communicated in the SPP Tariff, as well as how the SPP Tariff communicates the application of the terms "on-peak" and "off-peak" to this product with regard to the rates in Attachment T.</p> <p>On March 22, 2011, SPP submitted its response to the deficiency letter issued on February 25, 2011. With this filing, SPP submitted additional information and Tariff revisions to reflect the proper timeframes for requesting Daily Non-Firm On-Peak and Off-Peak Point-to-Point transmission service.</p> <p>A new effective date of May 1, 2011 was requested.</p>
<b>ER11-2308</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Permit Owners of Jointly Owned Resources Registered in SPP Energy Imbalance Service Market ("EIS Market") to Have Separate Meter Agents	On January 31, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions, effective February 6, 2011 as requested.
<b>ER11-2315</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Clarify Treatment of Load Under Grandfathered Agreements in the Calculation of Resident Load	On January 31, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions, effective December 9, 2010 as requested.
<b>ER11-2425</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Simplify the Election Process for Loss Compensation in Attachments M and N	On February 24, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions, effective February 19, 2011 as requested.
<b>ER11-2428</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Clarify How Real Power Losses Caused by Transmission Service Customers are Determined and Recovered	<p>On January 18, 2011, Doniphan Electric Cooperative, Kaw Valley Electric Cooperative, and Nemaha-Marshall Electric Cooperative filed a Motion for Leave to Intervene and Protest.</p> <p>The parties asked FERC to reject SPP's December 21, 2010 filing. The parties stated, "...the proposed tariff revisions would raise the amount of losses charged to every network integration transmission service</p>

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		<p>("NITS") customer under SPP's Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT") based on incorrect, unsupported assertions that are contrary to long-standing SPP practice and Commission precedent."</p> <p>On January 28, 2011, Westar Energy, Inc. filed an answer in response to the protest filed on January 18, 2011, by Doniphan Electric Cooperative, Kaw Valley Electric Cooperative, and Nemaha-Marshall Electric Cooperative. Westar stated that SPP's filing clarifies and codifies the method for calculating transmission losses associated with NITS under the SPP OATT.</p> <p>On February 2, 2011, SPP submitted an answer in response to the protest filed by Doniphan Electric Cooperative, Kaw Valley Electric Cooperative, and Nemaha-Marshall Electric Cooperative on January 18, 2011.</p> <p>SPP stated:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) the December 21 Filing conforms the measurement of losses for network service to the way in which the loss factors specified in the SPP Tariff were determined and is consistent with how losses for network customers are determined in SPP's Real-Time Energy Imbalance Market;</li> <li>2) the Commission's order in the Westar Energy, Inc. proceeding has no bearing on SPP's Tariff filing; and</li> <li>3) clarifying that network customers are responsible for wholesale distribution losses is consistent with SPP's Tariff and Commission policy.</li> </ol> <p>On February 25, 2011, FERC issued a deficiency letter requiring additional information in order to process the filing.</p> <p>FERC requested the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) SPP stated that it surveyed all of its transmission owners and confirmed that all of the loss studies performed by the transmission owners determined loss factors to be applied to energy injected in SPP's transmission system at a point of receipt and that these loss factors are listed in Appendix 1 of Attachment M. FERC requested additional information concerning SPP's survey method, as well as an updated loss study which reflects the current topography of the SPP Transmission System for each transmission owner to support the loss factor listed in Appendix 1 of Attachment M;</li> <li>2) FERC requested an explanation of the derivation of any additional loss compensation for distribution-related losses pursuant to Attachment M. FERC also requested SPP to confirm that it will continue to file all distribution-related loss charges in the Network Service customers' service agreements, or justify why the proposed Tariff revisions obviate the need to file distribution-related loss charges in the service agreements;</li> <li>3) FERC requested an explanation of how Network Service losses are calculated with the elimination of</li> </ol>

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		<p>the term zonal loss factor in Section II of Attachment M and with the loss factors in Appendix 1 of Attachment M no longer applicable to Network Service. FERC also requested an explanation of: (a) how the gross-up of loss factors applies for Network Service; (b) whether there are any exceptions to the general rule that Network Service is measured at the Point of Delivery; and (c) why the first new paragraph of Appendix 1 of Attachment M does not explicitly state that the loss factors are applied to energy measured at the Point of Receipt for Point-to-Point Service, and why there is no explicit statement that the loss factor needs to be adjusted when the energy is measured at the Point of Delivery for Network Service; and</p> <p>4) FERC requested an explanation of how additional loss compensation may be required if a point on SPP's transmission system (i.e., Point of Delivery) is located on facilities not under SPP's control.</p> <p>On March 23, 2011, SPP submitted a Motion to Withdraw its proposed tariff revisions filed in this proceeding.</p>
<b>ER11-2525</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Revise the Process for Identifying the Designated Balancing Authority Responsible for Accounting for Self-Provided Losses Relating to Transactions through the SPP Region	On February 4, 2011, FERC issued a letter order accepting the tariff revisions, effective January 1, 2011 as requested.
<b>ER11-2736</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Modify Operational Constraint Violation Relaxation Limit ("VRL")	<p>On January 24, 2011, SPP submitted revisions to its OATT to reduce the currently effective Violation Relaxation Limit governing Operational Constraints from \$1500/MW of loading to a set of tiered "block" dollar values based on the percentage amount of the overload.</p> <p>On March 17, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions.</p> <p>An effective date of March 25, 2011 was granted.</p>
<b>ER11-2820</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Attachment AE in Order to Establish an Offer Curve Price Floor in the Energy Imbalance Service ("EIS") Market	<p>On February 1, 2011, SPP submitted revisions to Attachment AE of its OATT in order to establish an Offer Curve price floor in the EIS Market.</p> <p>Specifically, SPP proposes to amend section 1.2.6 of Attachment AE to provide that "Market Participants must submit Offer Curve prices that are greater than or equal to negative \$1000/megawatt-hour and less than or equal to \$1000/megawatt-hour."</p> <p>On March 28, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions, effective April 4, 2011 as requested.</p>

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<b>ER11-3101</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Attachment C in Order to More Accurately Describe the Current Practices and Systems for the Calculation of Available Transfer Capability ("ATC")	<p>On March 16, 2011, SPP submitted revisions to its OATT to more accurately describe in Attachment C the current practices and systems for the calculation of Available Transfer Capability.</p> <p>An effective date of May 16, 2011 was requested.</p>
<b>ER11-3130</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Amend Section 8.1 of Attachment G, Network Operating Agreement ("NOA")	<p>On March 17, 2011, SPP submitted revisions to its OATT in order to amend Section 8.1 of Attachment G, the proforma Network Operating Agreement. SPP proposed several revisions to address security concerns about access to delivery point meters and to clarify the Network Customer's obligation to provide access to metering equipment and data.</p> <p>An effective date of May 17, 2011 was requested.</p>
<b>ER11-3154</b>	SPP Submission of Tariff Revision to Amend Appendix C of the Pro Forma Generator Interconnection Agreement	<p>On March 21, 2011, SPP submitted revisions to its OATT to amend Appendix 6 of the pro forma Generator Interconnection Agreement to require wind-powered generation resources to be capable of reducing their output in increments of no more than 50 MW, when required to curtail for transmission system reliability.</p> <p>An effective date of May 21, 2011 was requested.</p>
<b>OA08-61</b>	SPP Order No. 890 Compliance Filing - Attachment O Revisions for Coordinated and Regional Planning Process	<p>On February 4, 2011, FERC issued a letter order accepting SPP's November 2, 2009 and December 30, 2009 filings.</p> <p>Effective dates of December 14, 2007 and October 17, 2008 were granted.</p>
<b>OA08-104</b>	SPP Order No. 890-A Compliance Filing Revising the SPP OATT with Limited Departures from the Order No. 890-A Pro Forma	<p>On March 31, 2011, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's April 15, 2008 filing to be effective April 15, 2008 and January 4, 2010, as modified and subject to a further compliance filing.</p> <p>FERC directed SPP to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) File a further compliance filing that addresses how the narrative for explaining the reasons for changes in monthly or yearly Available Transfer Capability ("ATC") values on a constrained path as a result of a change in total flowgate capacity, as opposed to Total Transmission Capacity ("TTC"), of ten percent or more is derived for OASIS postings, consistent with Order No. 676-E, to be effective January 4, 2010;</li> <li>2) File a compliance filing that provides further explanation of its step-by-step modeling methodology and criteria consistent with Order No. 890-A.</li> </ol> <p>FERC found that SPP's energy imbalance service market settles real-time imbalances in a non-discriminatory manner that reflects the incremental value of energy at specific locations in the market and</p>

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		<p>therefore SPP's imbalance market is consistent with the Order Nos. 890 and 890-A pro forma OATTs. Therefore, FERC will not require SPP to incorporate the imbalance service provisions adopted in Order No. 890-A.</p> <p>FERC rejected American Wind Energy Association's and the Electric Power Supply Association's contention that SPP should be required to offer conditional firm service.</p> <p>SPP's compliance filing is due <b>May 2, 2011</b>.</p>

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<b>ER05-1065</b>  <b>and</b>  <b>ER09-555</b>	Entergy Services' New Proposal for an Independent Coordinator of Transmission ("ICT") and Extension of the ICT's Initial Term  Entergy's Proposed Revisions to Attachment V of its OATT	<p>On February 1, 2011, Entergy submitted an informational filing containing its proposed Open Access Transmission Tariff Transmission Service Request Business Practices.</p> <p>On February 8, 2011, SPP submitted the ICT's Annual Performance Report for November 17, 2009 through November 17, 2010.</p> <p>On February 22, 2011, Union Power Partners, L.P. filed a Protest of the February 1, 2011 informational filing by Entergy, which contained Transmission Service Request Business Practices.</p> <p>On February 28, 2011, SPP and Entergy Services, Inc. filed the Differences Report Between ICT Base Plan and Entergy Construction Plan. The report relates to the differences between the 2011 ICT Base Plan and the 2011-2013 Entergy Construction Plan, as required by FERC's orders approving the establishment of the ICT and Entergy's OATT.</p> <p>On March 9, 2011, SPP submitted an answer in response to Union Power's February 22, 2011 Protest. SPP stated that Entergy's Transmission Service Request Business Practices were appropriately filed on an informational basis in this proceeding.</p> <p>On March 11, 2011, Entergy Services, Inc. submitted an answer in response to Union Power's February 22, 2011 Protest.</p> <p>On March 15, 2011, SPP submitted the ICT's WPP Quarterly Report. This covers the period of December 2010 through February 2011.</p> <p>On March 24, 2011, Union Power Partners, L.P. submitted an answer in response to Entergy's answer filed on March 11, 2011.</p> <p>On March 31, 2011, SPP submitted the ICT's First Quarterly Performance Report for 2011.</p>
<b>ER10-941</b>	SPP Filing of a Letter Agreement Regarding Comprehensive Seams Agreement between Entergy Services, Inc. and Southwest Power Pool, Inc.	<p>On March 31, 2011, FERC issued an Order on Rehearing and Compliance.</p> <p>East Texas Cooperatives' request for rehearing of the June 15, 2011 Order was granted in part and denied in part:</p> <p>1) FERC granted rehearing to direct further clarification of section 3.a.ii of the Available Flowgate Capability/Total Flowgate Capability Protocol ("AFC/TFC Protocol"). FERC agreed with East Texas Cooperatives that section 3.a.ii is ambiguous as to whether the term "directly interconnected generators" includes generators in balancing authorities embedded in the Entergy or SPP transmission system.</p>

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		<p>Accordingly, FERC directed SPP to file revisions to section 3.a.ii to clarify whether "directly interconnected generators" includes generators in balancing authorities embedded in the Entergy or SPP system;</p> <p>2) FERC granted rehearing and directed that SPP provide clarification of section 3.d of the AFC/TFC Protocol. Accordingly, FERC directed SPP to file revisions to section 3.d to specify clearly the timing and frequency of the data exchange. If SPP and Entergy intend to limit the data exchange to once a year, SPP is also directed to include in its transmittal letter an explanation of why updating the models annually is sufficient to ensure accurate models; and</p> <p>3) FERC denied rehearing of sections 5.a, 6.c, and 6.d.</p> <p>FERC accepted SPP's July 15, 2010 compliance filing and directed SPP to:</p> <p>1) File section 3.d.ii data incorporation process as an amendment to the AFC/TFC Protocol. If this section has not yet been completed, SPP is directed to file a status report by May 2, 2011, and every 30 days thereafter until the process is finalized; and</p> <p>2) File the section 5.b process as an amendment to the AFC/TFC Protocol.</p> <p>SPP's compliance filing is due <b>May 2, 2011</b>.</p>
<b>ER10-2748</b>	Entergy Services, Inc. ("ESI") Filing to Extend on an Interim Basis the Independent Coordinator of Transmission ("ICT") Arrangement for a Period of Two Years	On March 16, 2011, Entergy Services, Inc. submitted its compliance filing pursuant to the November 16, 2010 Order.
<b>ER11-3189</b>	Submission of Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("Midwest ISO") of the Baseline Electronic Filing of the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") Between Midwest ISO and SPP	<p>On March 24, 2011, Midwest ISO submitted the baseline electronic filing of the Joint Operating Agreement between Midwest ISO and SPP. The agreement is designated Midwest ISO, Second Revised Rate Schedule FERC No. 6; Southwest Power Pool, Second Revised Rate Schedule FERC No. 9.</p> <p>An effective date of March 25, 2011 was requested.</p> <p>SPP filed, in FERC Docket No. ER11-3190, a Certificate of Concurrence identifying Midwest ISO as designated filing utility for the JOA.</p>
<b>ES10-11</b>	SPP Application Under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Securities (\$150 Million)	On January 27, 2011, SPP submitted a Report of Securities issued on December 29, 2010.
<b>ES11-14</b>	SPP Application Under Section	On March 4, 2011, SPP submitted a supplement to its December 30, 2010 Application to include revised



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	204 of the Federal Power Act for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Securities (\$20 Million Revolving Credit Facility)	information regarding the expected interest rate on the Notes and a Certificate of the Corporate Secretary of SPP.  On March 18, 2011, FERC issued an order authorizing the issuance of up to \$20,000,000 in non-secured Promissory Notes. SPP must file a Report of Securities no later than 30 days after the sale or placement of long-term debt or equity securities. The authorization is effective March 18, 2011, and expires March 18, 2013.

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<b>Arkansas</b> <b>08-001-U</b> <b>08-002-U</b> <b>08-098-U</b>	SWEPCO's Applications for the Construction, Ownership, Operation and Maintenance of the SE Texarkana-Turk, Sugar Hill-Turk, and NW Texarkana-Turk Transmission Lines	<p>On January 11, 2011, the APSC issued an order denying Hempstead County Hunting Club's Motion to Strike or Compel and Motion for Stay filed on November 30, 2010.</p> <p>On January 13, 2011, Hempstead County Hunting Club, Inc., et al. submitted a Notice of Withdrawal of appeals.</p> <p>On February 23, 2011, the APSC issued an order closing Docket Nos. 08-001-U, 08-002-U and 08-098-U.</p>
<b>Arkansas</b> <b>08-136-U</b>	In the Matter of an Inquiry into Electric Transmission Issues within the Areas Served by the SPP RTO and the Entergy Corporation as such Issues Affect Electric Service within Arkansas	SPP continues to file the Monthly Market Monitoring Report, ICT Quarterly Report, and WPP Quarterly Report.
<b>Arkansas</b> <b>08-137-U</b>	In the Matter of the Consideration of Innovative Approaches to Ratebase, Rate of Return Ratemaking Including, but not limited to, Annual Earnings Reviews, Formula Rates, and Incentive Rates for Jurisdictional Electric and Natural Gas Public Utilities	<p>On January 10, 2011, Arkansas Electric Energy Consumers, Inc. and Arkansas Gas Consumers, Inc. submitted a Petition for Rehearing of Order Nos. 14 and 15.</p> <p>On February 8, 2011, the APSC issued Order No. 7, granting rehearing of Order Nos. 14 and 15 issued December 10, 2010.</p>
<b>Arkansas</b> <b>09-090-U</b>	In the Matter of the Impact of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Orders 719 and 719-A in FERC Docket No. RM07-19-001 on the Regulatory Authority of the Arkansas Public Service Commission	Further action in this proceeding is pending SPP's compliance filing and FERC's action in FERC Docket No. ER09-1050.
<b>Arkansas</b> <b>09-128-U</b>	In the Matter of the Application of Southwest Power Pool, Inc. for Authority to Issue up to \$150,000,000 in Secured and Non-Secured Promissory Notes	On January 28, 2011, SPP submitted a copy of a loan agreement dated October 28, 2010, pursuant to Order No. 1. SPP's 2010-B Notes were issued December 29, 2010.

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<b>Arkansas</b> <b>10-011-U</b>	In the Matter of a Show Cause Order Directed to Entergy Arkansas, Inc. ("EAI") Regarding Its Continued Membership in the Current Entergy System Agreement, or Any Successor Agreement Thereto, and Regarding the Future Operation and Control of Its Transmission Assets	<p>On February 11, 2011, Carl Monroe submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of SPP. Several other parties also filed testimony.</p> <p>On February 22, 2011, the APSC issued Order No. 30 requiring that the following be filed in this proceeding by Noon on March 11, 2011:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Charles River Associates ("CRA") and EAI/ESI were directed to file the CRA cost/benefit study focused on EAI as a stand-alone member of Midwest ISO ("MISO"); the CRA cost/benefit study focused on all Entergy Operating Companies becoming members of MISO; and the CRA EAI/ESI-directed additional addendum studies.</li> <li>2) CRA was directed to file a document providing the differences in modeling and assumptions between the cost/benefit studies of EAI as a stand-alone member of MISO vs. all Entergy Operating Companies as members of MISO; the differences in modeling assumptions between the cost/benefit studies of EAI as a stand-alone member of the SPP RTO vs. all Entergy Operating Companies as members of the SPP RTO, and; the differences in modeling and assumptions between the MISO vs. SPP RTO cost/benefit studies.</li> </ol> <p>On February 24, 2011, MISO filed a Petition to Intervene and Concurrent Request for Leave to Late File Testimony.</p> <p>On March 11, 2011, CRA submitted the CRA cost/benefit studies regarding Entergy becoming a member of MISO pursuant to Order No. 30.</p> <p>On March 11, 2011, the APSC issued Order No. 31 granting MISO's Petition to Intervene.</p> <p>The Commission granted MISO (and SPP) permission to file limited testimony by Noon on March 18, 2011. Such testimony shall be limited exclusively to the cost/benefit studies filed by CRA and EAI/ESI on March 11, 2011, as required by Order No. 30.</p> <p>On March 18, 2011, Carl Monroe submitted Supplemental Direct Testimony on behalf of SPP. Several other parties also filed testimony.</p> <p>On March 22, 2011, a Technical Conference was held to discuss the CRA studies.</p> <p>Discovery in this docket is ongoing.</p> <p>Hugh McDonald continues to file Supplemental Direct Testimony on the first day of each month.</p>

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		<p>SPP and Entergy continue to file the Seams Agreement progress report on the first day of each month.</p> <p>Also on the first of each month, SPP continues to file a status report detailing the discussions or meetings between SPP and EAI concerning the option of EAI as a stand-alone operating company becoming a member of SPP, as well as the status of the addendum Arkansas-only study.</p>
<b>Arkansas 10-074-U</b>	In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction, Ownership, Operation and Maintenance of the Proposed Flint Creek to Shipe Road Project and Associated Facilities to be Located in Benton County, Arkansas	A public hearing was held on February 8, 2011.
<b>Kansas 10-GIME-215-GIE</b>	In the Matter of the Investigation into Laws and Regulations Relating to Demand Response and Scarcity Pricing	<p>Further action in this proceeding is pending SPP's compliance filing and FERC's action in FERC Docket No. ER09-1050.</p> <p>SPP has committed to keeping the KCC apprised of developments in Docket No. ER09-1050.</p>
<b>Kansas 11-ITCE-644-MIS</b>	In the Matter of the Application of ITC Great Plains, LLC ("ITC") for a Siting Permit for the Construction of a Double-Circuit 345-kV Transmission Line in Ford, Clark, Kiowa and Barber Counties, Kansas	<p>On March 14, 2011, ITC Great Plains, LLC filed an Application for a siting permit granting ITC the right to construct a double circuit 345 kV transmission line from the Spearville Substation south to a new substation in Clark County, Kansas, and continuing east to a new substation in Barber County near Medicine Lodge, Kansas, also known as the "V-Plan".</p> <p>On March 14, 2011, Alan Myers, Carl Huslig, and Salvatore Falcone submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of ITC.</p> <p>On March 16, 2011, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") filed a Petition to Intervene.</p> <p>On March 21, 2011, Chermac Energy Corporation filed an Application for Intervention.</p> <p>On March 23, 2011, the KCC issued an Order Adopting Procedural Schedule and Granting Intervention to CURB.</p>

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		<p>The following schedule was adopted:</p> <p>April 18, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony            April 20, 2011 - Public Hearing            April 28, 2011 - Public Affairs and Consumer Protection Office Files Report of Public Comments            May 2, 2011 (by 3 PM) - ITC Rebuttal to Staff and Intervenor Testimony            May 2, 2011 (by 3 PM) - ITC Response to Public Hearing Comments            May 4, 2011 (by 3 PM) - ITC Wind Response to Written Comments            May 9, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Staff and Intervenor Response to Public Hearing Comments            May 16, 2011 (by 3 PM) - ITC Rebuttal to Staff and Intervenor Response to Public Hearing Comments            May 18, 2011 (by 3 PM) - List of disputed issues, prehearing motions and discovery cut-off            May 20, 2011 (10:30 AM) - Prehearing Conference            May 26-27, 2011 (8 AM) - Evidentiary Hearing            June 9, 2011 (by 3 PM) - ITC Initial Post-hearing Brief            June 17, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Staff and Intervenor Responsive Post-hearing Briefs            June 24, 2011 (by 3 PM) - ITC Reply Brief            July 12, 2011 - Order Date</p> <p>On March 24, 2011, Prairie Wind Transmission, LLC filed a Petition to Intervene.</p> <p>On March 24, 2011, SPP filed a Petition to Intervene. SPP requested permission to file its testimony promptly and attached as an exhibit Katherine Prewitt's Direct Testimony.</p> <p>On April 1, 2011, the KCC issued orders granting SPP's, Chermac Energy's, and Prairie Wind's intervention.</p> <p>On April 5, 2011, a group of twenty landowners filed a Petition to Intervene.</p> <p>On April 6, 2011, Katherine Prewitt submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of SPP. This was previously attached as an Exhibit to SPP's Petition to Intervene filed on March 24, 2011.</p>
<b>Kansas 11-PWTE-600-MIS</b>	In the Matter of the Application of Prairie Wind Transmission, LLC ("Prairie Wind") for a Siting Permit for the Construction of a Double Circuit 345 kV Transmission Line in Sedgwick, Sumner, Harper, and Barber Counties, Kansas	<p>On February 28, 2011, Prairie Wind Transmission, LLC filed an Application for a siting permit granting Prairie Wind the right to construct a double circuit 345 kV transmission line from Westar Energy, Inc.'s Wichita Substation to a new 345 kV substation near Medicine Lodge, Kansas, to be constructed by ITC Great Plains and from the Thistle Substation to the Kansas/Oklahoma Border, also known as the "Y Plan".</p> <p>On February 28, 2011, Kelly Harrison, Robert St. John, and Dennis Reed submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of Prairie Wind.</p>

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		<p>On March 3, 2011, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") filed a Petition to Intervene.</p> <p>On March 4, 2011, SPP filed a Motion to Intervene. SPP requested permission to file its testimony promptly and attached as an exhibit Katherine Prewitt's Direct Testimony.</p> <p>On March 9, 2011, the KCC issued an Order Adopting Procedural Schedule and Granting Intervention to CURB.</p> <p>The following schedule was adopted:            April 4, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony            April 7, 2011 - Public Hearing            April 18, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Prairie Wind Rebuttal to Staff and Intervenor Testimony            April 19, 2011 - Public Affairs and Consumer Protection Office Files Report of Public Comments            April 20, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Prairie Wind, Staff, and Intervenor Response to Public Hearing Comments            April 27, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Prairie Wind Rebuttal to Staff and Intervenor Response to Public Hearing Comments            April 27, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Prairie Wind Response to Written Comments            May 3, 2011 (by 3 PM) - List of disputed issues, prehearing motions and discovery cut-off            May 6, 2011 (10:30 AM) - Prehearing Conference            May 16-18, 2011 (9 AM) - Evidentiary Hearing            May 31, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Prairie Wind Initial Post-hearing Brief            June 7, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Staff and Intervenor Responsive Post-hearing Briefs            June 14, 2011 (by 3 PM) - Prairie Wind Reply Brief            June 28, 2011 - Order Date</p> <p>On March 9, 2011, Chermac Energy Corporation filed its Application for Intervention.</p> <p>On March 11, 2011, ITC Great Plains, LLC filed a Petition to Intervene.</p> <p>On March 23, 2011, the KCC issued orders granting SPP's, Chermac Energy's, and ITC Great Plains' intervention.</p> <p>On March 24, 2011, Katherine Prewitt submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of SPP. This was previously attached as an Exhibit to SPP's Petition to Intervene filed on March 4, 2011.</p> <p>On April 4, 2011, James Dittmer, Jamie McAlpine, Heath Garner, and Paul Kerlinger submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of Chermac Energy Corporation.</p>

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		<p>On April 4, 2011, Andy Fry and Michael J. Wegner, P.E. submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of the Kansas State Corporation Commission.</p> <p>On April 6, 2011, Thomas Debaun submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of the Kansas State Corporation Commission.</p> <p>Discovery in this docket is ongoing.</p>
<b>Missouri EW-2010-0187</b>	In the Matter of an Investigation into the Coordination of State and Federal Regulatory Policies for Facilitating the Deployment of all Cost-Effective Demand-Side Savings to Electric Customers of All Classes Consistent with the Public Interest	<p>On January 18, 2011, a workshop was held to discuss Aggregator of Retail Customers ("ARCs") and RTO issues. The draft rulemaking language was discussed.</p> <p>On February 1, 2011, Ameren Missouri filed comments in response to the Aggregator draft rule dated January 7, 2011.</p> <p>On February 1, 2011, Kansas City Power &amp; Light Company and KCP&amp;L Greater Missouri Operations Company filed comments in response to the Aggregator draft rule dated January 7, 2011.</p> <p>In April 2011, Midwest ISO and the Demand Response Parties ("DR Parties") submitted comments in response to MoPSC Staff's request for comments regarding its draft notes.</p> <p>An ARC/ISO/RTO Demand Response Aggregation Draft Rule Workshop is scheduled to be held from 10 AM to 3:30 PM on April 11, 2011.</p>
<b>Missouri EO-2011-0134</b>	In the Matter of an Investigation Into Southwest Power Pool Cost Allocations and Cost Overruns	<p>On January 18, 2011, SPP and The Empire District Electric Company submitted reply comments in response to the November 23, 2010 Order Opening an Investigation into Southwest Power Pool Cost Allocation and Cost Overruns.</p> <p>On January 18, 2011, SPP submitted Nick Brown's letter in response to the letter received from Commissioner Davis on January 11, 2011.</p> <p>On February 4, 2011, SPP submitted comments concerning project selection and cost estimation in response to the November 23, 2010 Order Opening an Investigation into Southwest Power Pool Cost Allocation and Cost Overruns.</p> <p>On February 8, 2011, The Empire District Electric Company and Kansas City Power &amp; Light Company/KCP&amp;L Greater Missouri Operations Company submitted comments concerning project selection in response to the November 23, 2010 Order Opening an Investigation into Southwest Power Pool Cost Allocation and Cost Overruns.</p>

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<b>New Mexico 07-00390-UT</b>	An Investigation into the Prudence of Southwestern Public Service Company's ("SPS") Participation in the SPP RTO	On January 13, 2011, SPP submitted the 2010 SPP Transmission Expansion Plan draft report in accordance with Section 15 of the Uncontested Stipulation.
<b>New Mexico 10-00143-UT</b>	In the Matter of the Petition of Lea County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("LCEC") for Approval to Transfer Certain Transmission Assets under the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT")	On January 5, 2011, SPP submitted the Integrated Transmission Plan 20-Year Assessment Report in accordance with Section 14 of the Uncontested Stipulation.  On January 13, 2011, SPP submitted the 2010 SPP Transmission Expansion Plan draft report in accordance with Section 14 of the Uncontested Stipulation.
<b>Oklahoma PUD 201000043</b>	Inquiry of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission ("OCC") to Investigate Issues Arising from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Orders No. 719, 719-A and 719-B	Further action in this proceeding is pending SPP's compliance filing and FERC's action in FERC Docket No. ER09-1050.
<b>Oklahoma PUD 201000075</b>	In the Matter of the Application of Plains and Eastern Clean Line LLC ("Clean Line") to Conduct Business as an Electric Utility in the State of Oklahoma	On January 11, 2011, SPP filed a Motion to Intervene.  On January 14, 2011, SPP filed its Statement of Position.  A hearing was held January 19-21, 2011.  On February 4, 2011, the Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association filed a Motion for Leave to File Suggestion of Additional Authority. The filing included:  1) Arkansas Public Service Commission, Case 10-041-U, Order No. 9 dated January 11, 2011; 2) Oklahoma Gas & Elec. Co. v. Corp. Comm., 543 P.2d 546 (Okla. 1975); and 3) 75 O.S. § 302.  On February 28, 2011, the parties filed a Revised Joint Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, which replaces the Joint Stipulation and Settlement Agreement filed on November 24, 2010.  A hearing was held March 1-3, 2011.  On March 25, 2011, SPP and several other parties filed Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of



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<b>Texas 38906</b>	PUC Proceeding on Transmission Projects and Costs in the Southwest Power Pool	<p>On January 4, 2011, Texas Industrial Energy Consumers submitted Amended Initial Comments.</p> <p>On January 6, 2011, Richard Greffe and Margaret Pemberton provided a memorandum summarizing the comments filed in this proceeding.</p> <p>On January 12, 2011, Margaret Pemberton submitted in this proceeding the January 11, 2011 letter to Nick Brown from Commissioner Davis of the Missouri Public Service Commission.</p>
<b>Texas 39070</b>	Application of Sharyland Utilities, L.P. ("Sharyland") to Approve Study and Plan Pursuant to the Commission's Order In Docket No. 37990 Concerning the Movement of Sharyland's Stanton and Colorado City Divisions from the Southwest Power Pool to ERCOT	<p>On January 13, 2011, Sharyland Utilities, L.P. submitted its Application to Approve Study and Plan Pursuant to the Commission's Order in Docket No. 37990 and for Other Relief.</p> <p>Sharyland requested that the Commission:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Determine that the attached ERCOT Study complies with Sharyland's obligation to provide such an independent report under the Commission's Order in Docket No. 37990;</li> <li>2) Select the preferred option identified in the report, or one of the alternative options, and direct Sharyland to implement that option; and</li> <li>3) Issue a final order in this proceeding expeditiously, if possible by May 13, 2011.</li> </ol> <p>On February 22, 2011, the State Office of Administrative Hearings ("SOAH") issued Order No. 3, which memorialized the prehearing conference, adopted a procedural schedule, and provided notice of hearing.</p> <p>The procedural schedule is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>March 1, 2011 - Applicant Direct Testimony</li> <li>March 8, 2011 - Objection to Applicant's Direct Testimony</li> <li>March 15, 2011 - Replies to objections to Applicant's Direct Testimony</li> <li>March 29, 2011 - Intervention deadline</li> <li>April 29, 2011 - Discovery ends</li> <li>April 29, 2011 - Intervenor Direct Testimony and/or Statement of Position</li> <li>May 6, 2011 - Objections to Intervenor Direct Testimony</li> <li>May 12, 2011 - Staff Direct Testimony</li> <li>May 13, 2011 - Replies to objections to Intervenor Direct Testimony</li> <li>May 18, 2011 - Objections to Staff Direct Testimony</li> <li>May 23, 2011 - Applicant Rebuttal Testimony and Intervenor Cross-Rebuttal Testimony (cross-rebuttal limited to other intervenors' Direct Testimony)</li> <li>May 25, 2011 - Replies to objections to Staff Direct Testimony</li> <li>May 30, 2011 - Objections to Applicant Rebuttal and Intervenor Cross-Rebuttal Testimony</li> <li>June 2-3, 2011 - Hearing on the Merits</li> </ul>

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		<p>June 17, 2011 - Initial Briefs, including any Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law June 24, 2011 - Reply Briefs</p> <p>On March 1, 2011, Ralph Goodlet, Jr., James Daniel, and John Chiles submitted Direct Testimony on behalf of Sharyland Utilities, L.P.</p> <p>On March 22, 2011, SPP filed a Motion to Intervene.</p> <p>On March 31, 2011, SOAH issued Order No. 5 granting SPP's Motion to Intervene.</p> <p>Discovery in this docket is ongoing.</p>