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AD10-12 Increasing Market and Planning Efficiency through Improved Software

A Technical Conference was held June 25-27, 2012.

AD10-13 Third-Party Provision of Ancillary Services; Accounting and Financial Reporting for New Electric Storage Technologies

On June 22, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

The Commission proposes:

- 1) to revise its Avista Corp. policy governing the sale of ancillary services at market-based rates to public utility transmission providers and reflect such reforms in Parts 35 and 37 of the Commission's regulations;
- 2) to require each public utility transmission provider to include provisions in its OATT explaining how it will determine Regulation and Frequency Response reserve requirements in a manner that takes into account the speed and accuracy of resources used;
- 3) to revise the accounting and reporting requirements under its Uniform System of Accounts for public utilities and licensees and its forms, statements, and reports to better account for and report transactions associated with the use of energy storage devices in public utility operations.

Comments are due on September 7, 2012.

AD11-9 Inquiry into Recent Outages in Texas and the Southwest

On June 20, 2012, FERC issued a notice to the North American Reliability Corporation to provide status of the initiative to modify the Reliability Standards to address winterization and related issues, including progress made on the development of the Standard Authorization Request. NERC's response is due July 5, 2012.

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AD11-11 Priority Rights to New Participant-Funded Transmission

On June 26, 2012, numerous entities filed comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry issued on April 19, 2012.

On June 26, 2012, SPP filed comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry issued on April 19, 2012.

AD12-12 Coordination between Natural Gas and Electricity Markets

On June 21, 2012, Chairman Wellinghoff issued a statement announcing that the Commission is planning as many as five regional technical conferences to explore coordination between the natural gas and electric industries.

On July 5, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Technical Conferences. FERC will hold regional technical conferences on Coordination between Natural Gas and Electricity Markets on the following dates:

August 6, 2012 - St. Louis, MO for the Central region;
August 20, 2012 - Boston, MA for the Northeast region;
August 23, 2012 - Washington, DC for the Southeast region;
August 28, 2012 - Portland, OR for the West region; and
August 30, 2012 - Washington, DC for the Mid-Atlantic region.

On July 17, 2012, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conferences.

AD12-14

Open Access and Priority Rights on Interconnection Facilities

On June 26, 2012, numerous entities filed comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry issued on April 19, 2012.

On June 26, 2012, SPP filed comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry issued on April 19, 2012.

AD12-17

Review of Small Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures

On July 3, 2012, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference changing the time to 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM EDT. FERC also attached an agenda.

FERC held a technical conference on July 17, 2012 to discuss issues related to a petition for rulemaking submitted by the Solar Energy Industries Association in Docket No. RM12-10.

CE12-14

Adam Sinns Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Aspire Commodities, LP

FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on July 3, 2012.

CE12-14.001

Patrick de Man and Stephen Benschluch's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Aspire Commodities, LP (Additional Requesters)

FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on July 3, 2012.

CE12-25.002

Anil Kondabathini's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - ABB, Inc. (Additional Requester)

On June 29, 2012, Jinxiang Zhu, Senior Principal Consulting Engineer for ABB, Inc., requested that Anil Kondabathini, Scientist, be added to his initial request in CE12-25 for all FERC Form No. 715 data.

On July 9, 2012, SPP submitted comments on this request.

CE12-70

Greg Froehling and David Naylor's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Rayburn Country Electric Coop

FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on July 10, 2012.

CE12-72

Jason Jett's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - BYHM Capital LLC

FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on July 2, 2012.

CE12-75

William Babcock's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - PA Consulting Group, Inc.

- FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on June 29, 2012.
- CE12-109** **Jeff Fine, et al.'s Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Renewable Energy Systems Americas, Inc.**
- FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on June 29, 2012.
- CE12-116** **Warren Winter, et al.'s Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - EPIS, Inc.**
- FERC issued a Notice of Intent to Release on July 16, 2012.
- CE12-122** **Robert Jackson's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Walters Power International**
- On June 20, 2012, SPP submitted comments on this request.
- CE12-125** **Kaete Biediger's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Vitol, Inc.**
- On June 20, 2012, SPP submitted comments on this request.
- CE12-126** **Ching Yee Janny Chen-Read, et al.'s Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Siemens Industry, Inc.**
- On June 25, 2012, SPP submitted comments on this request.
- CE12-126.001** **John Hanson's Request for Critical Energy Infrastructure Information - Siemens Industry, Inc. (Additional Requester)**
- On July 10, 2012, SPP received notice of Janny Chen-Read's request that John Hanson, Consultant VI for Siemens Industry, Inc., be considered and included with the original request in CE12-126.
- On July 17, 2012, SPP submitted comments on this request.
- EL07-25** **Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC") Complaint Against Entergy Seeking a Remedy for the Attempted Withdrawal of Energy Arkansas, Inc. from the Entergy System Agreement**
- On July 9, 2012, Entergy filed a status report concerning the ongoing discussions between the Entergy Operating Companies and their affected retail regulations with respect to the technical revisions to the Entergy System Agreement necessary for integration into the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. Regional Transmission Organization and to provide the projected schedule to comply with prior Commission directives.
- EL10-55** **Notice of Complaint, Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC") v. Entergy Corporation, Entergy Services, Inc., Entergy Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Mississippi, Inc., Entergy New Orleans, Inc., Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, LLC, and Entergy Texas, Inc.**
- On July 2, 2012, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of the May 7, 2012 Order.
- EL12-47** **Investigation Under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act to Determine the Justness and Reasonableness of the Rate Reduction in the Service Agreement Filed in Docket No. ER12-891**

- On June 21, 2012, Settlement Judge Carmen Cintron filed a Status Report recommending that settlement procedures be continued. A telephone conference is to be held on June 27, 2012.
- EL12-51** **Investigation Under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act to Determine the Justness and Reasonableness of the Rate Reduction in the Service Agreement Filed in Docket Nos. ER12-1017 and ER12-1018**
- On June 21, 2012, Settlement Judge Carmen Cintron filed a Status Report recommending that settlement procedures be continued. A telephone conference is to be held on June 27, 2012.
- EL12-60** **SPP, Western Area Power Administration ("Western"), Basin Electric Power Cooperative ("Basin Electric") and Heartland Consumers Power District ("Heartland") (collectively "Petitioners") Filing of a Joint Petition for Declaratory Order and Request for Shortened Notice Period and for Expedited Treatment Seeking Confirmation that the Terms of the Congestion Management Process ("CMP") in the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between SPP and the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Apply to the Reciprocal Coordinated Flowgates ("RCFs") of a Third Party Who has Entered into a Reciprocal Coordination Agreement with SPP**
- On June 27, 2012, the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. filed an answer in opposition of the Petitioners' June 12, 2012 Answer. MISO requested that FERC reject the June 12, 2012 Answer.
- On June 27, 2012, the MISO Transmission Owners filed an answer in response to the Petitioners' June 12, 2012 Answer. The MISO TOs requested that FERC reject the June 12, 2012 Answer.
- EL12-80** **Exelon Wind Companies Petition for Enforcement and Declaratory Order Pursuant to Section 210(h) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 ("PURPA")**
- On June 29, 2012, the Exelon Wind Companies filed a Petition for Enforcement and Declaratory Order Pursuant to Section 210(h) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.
- Exelon requested that FERC take enforcement action or issue a declaratory order finding that an order issued by the Public Utility Commission of Texas in Docket No. 37361 fails to implement PURPA and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Each of the Petitioners owns and operates a wind-powered qualifying facility in Texas that is selling 100 percent of its net output to its host utility, Southwestern Public Service Company, under PURPA.
- ER02-2001** **Revised Public Utility Filing Requirements for Electric Quarterly Reports**
- On July 3, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Technical Conference and Agenda for the staff-led public conference on the Revisions to Electric Quarterly Report Filing Process Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on June 21, 2012. The conference will be held on July 11, 2012 beginning at 1 PM EDT.
- FERC held a technical conference on July 11, 2012 to discuss revisions to the Electric Quarterly Report.
- ER05-1065** **Entergy Services' New Proposal for an Independent Coordinator of Transmission ("ICT") and Extension of the ICT's Initial Term**
- On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted the ICT's Second Quarterly Performance Report for 2012.

- ER12-140** **SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Incorporate Kansas Power Pool ("KPP") as a Transmission Owner**
- On June 27, 2012, Settlement Judge Michael Cianci, Jr. filed a Settlement Status Report recommending that the settlement judge procedures be continued at this time.
- ER12-430** **SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Delete Requirement to Perform and Post a Daily Simultaneous Feasibility Deliverability Analysis Study of the Day-Ahead Resource Plans in the Energy Imbalance Services ("EIS") Market**
- On July 16, 2012, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions, effective May 24, 2012 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER12-480** **Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") and the MISO Transmission Owners ("MISO TOs") Filing to Amend Open Access Transmission, Energy and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff Provisions on Allocation of Network Upgrade Costs in Connection with Transition and Integration of Entergy Corporation and its Operating Companies**
- On June 26, 2012, the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. filed an answer in response to protests filed in response to MISO's May 21, 2012 Compliance Filing.
- MISO stated:
- 1) Attachment GG and Schedule 26 need not be amended to echo Attachment FF-6's provision that the cost of transition-related non-Multi Value Projects terminating exclusively in one planning area will not be shared;
 - 2) successor in interest language was properly added to the Entergy transition provisions; and
 - 3) Westar's protest raises a rehearing issue beyond the scope of this proceeding.
- ER12-891** **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner**
- On June 21, 2012, Settlement Judge Carmen Cintron filed a Status Report recommending that settlement procedures be continued. A telephone conference is to be held on June 27, 2012.
- ER12-959** **SPP Submission of Revisions to OATT to Implement a Formula Rate for Transmission Service for Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Tri-County"), a Transmission Owner in the Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") Zone**
- A pre-hearing conference was held on June 26, 2012.
- On July 13, 2012, FERC issued an Order Establishing Procedural Schedule. The procedural schedule was set as follows:
- June 26, 2012 - Discovery begins;
July 24, 2012 - Tri-County Direct Testimony;
August 30, 2012 - Intervenor Answering Testimony;
September 27, 2012 - Staff Direct and Answering Testimony; Intervenor Cross-Answering Testimony;
October 15, 2012 - Intervenor Answering Testimony to Staff; SPP Answering Testimony;

Discovery responses shortened to a 5-day turnaround;
November 5, 2012 - Tri-County Rebuttal Testimony;
November 14, 2012 - Last day for discovery requests;
November 20, 2012 - Joint Stipulation of Issues, Witness Lists and Exhibit Lists;
November 21, 2012 - Last day for discovery requests; December 4, 2012 - Hearing begins at 10 AM EST;
January 7, 2013 - Initial Briefs;
January 28, 2013 - Reply Briefs; and
April 22, 2013 - Initial decision due.

On July 13, 2012, Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed a Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Ruling.

Tri-County submitted the Motion to Compel Xcel Energy Services Inc./Southwestern Public Service Company to respond fully to three contested data requests served by Tri-County on June 28, 2012.

ER12-1017

Unexecuted Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kaw Valley Electric Cooperative ("Kaw Valley") as Network Customer, and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owner

On June 21, 2012, Settlement Judge Carmen Cintron filed a Status Report recommending that settlement procedures be continued. A telephone conference is to be held on June 27, 2012.

ER12-1018

Unexecuted Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Nemaha-Marshall Electric Cooperative ("Nemaha-Marshall") as Network Customer, and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owner

On June 21, 2012, Settlement Judge Carmen Cintron filed a Status Report recommending that settlement procedures be continued. A telephone conference is to be held on June 27, 2012.

ER12-1179

SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Implement SPP Integrated Marketplace

On June 26, 2012, SPP filed an answer in response to various pleadings filed in response to SPP's May 15, 2012 Answer and Amendatory Filing.

SPP stated:

- 1) challenges and requested modifications to SPP's treatment of grandfathered agreements are unsupported and should be rejected;
- 2) objections to SPP's proposed market mitigation procedures lack merit and should be rejected;
- 3) the Integrated Marketplace Filing sufficiently addresses firm transmission rights in the first year of market operation;
- 4) the dispatchable variable energy resource provisions of the Integrated Marketplace are reasonable and should be approved;
- 5) contrary to Westar's objection, regional allocation of costs associated with locally-committed generation is reasonable; and
- 6) certain clarifications requested by TDU Intervenors are appropriate and consistent with SPP's intentions.

On July 9, 2012, the Omaha Public Power District filed an answer in response to SPP's June

26, 2012 Answer.

OPPD requested that the Commission direct SPP to recognize the transmission border points referenced in OPPD's May 25, 2012 Answer as settlement locations for transmission transactions under the SPP Tariff so that OPPD may obtain and use Auction Revenue Rights and Transmission Congestion Rights consistent with SPP's representations in its Integrated Marketplace filing and SPP's May 15, 2012 Answer.

On July 11, 2012, Missouri River Energy Services and Heartland Consumers Power District filed a Conditional Withdrawal of Protest. MRES and Heartland stated if they correctly understand SPP's June 26, 2012 filing to recognize that service to MRES and Heartland under the 1977 Transmission Service Agreement will not be affected by or subject to SPP's proposed Integrated Marketplace, then MRES and Heartland withdraw the MRES Protest and Answer.

On July 11, 2012, E.ON Climate & Renewables North America LLC filed an answer in response to SPP's June 26, 2012 Answer.

E.ON stated:

- 1) the compensation and charge issues E.ON raised in its May 30 Answer bear directly on whether SPP's proposed Integrated Marketplace design is just and reasonable and thus are appropriately resolved in this docket;
- 2) if SPP's use of persistence forecasting is accepted by the Commission, then SPP's Tariff should reflect the limited application SPP proposes; and
- 3) SPP's latest clarification still does not make its proposed DVER Ramp Rate limitations just and reasonable and not unduly discriminatory.

ER12-1586

SPP Submission of an Executed Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") Between SPP and Western Area Power Administration, Upper Great Plains Region ("Western") (FERC Rate Schedule No. 13)

On June 19, 2012, FERC issued a deficiency letter to SPP requesting additional information in order to process the filing.

SPP's response is due on July 19, 2012.

ER12-1600

SPP Filing of an Unexecuted Market Participant Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Exelon Generation Company, LLC ("Exelon") as Customer

On June 21, 2012, FERC issued an Order Conditionally Accepting Service Agreement.

FERC conditionally accepted the Unexecuted Agreement in accordance with Section 1.2.2(g) of Attachment AE of SPP's Tariff, effective April 1, 2012, subject to modifications as follows:

- 1) amending Article 2 to clarify that Exelon submitted information to allow SPP to register the Exelon resources in the EIS Market and SPP has registered those resources;
- 2) amending Article 3 to exempt Qualifying Facilities exercising PURPA rights to deliver all the net output to the host utility from being required to obtain transmission service from third parties;
- 3) deleting Article 5 from the Service Agreement;
- 4) revising Article 12 to state that SPP will file any future amendments to the unexecuted Service Agreement with the Commission, consistent with Section 1.2.2(g); and
- 5) deleting Article 14 from the Service Agreement.

SPP's compliance filing is due July 23, 2012.

ER12-1665 **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("Sunflower") as Network Customer and Sunflower, Midwest Energy, Inc. ("Midwest"), ITC Great Plains, Inc. ("ITC"), and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC ("Mid-Kansas") as Host Transmission Owners**

On June 21, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective April 1, 2012 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER12-1674 **Notice of Cancellation of the Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Union Wind, LLC ("Union Wind") as Interconnection Customer and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("KCPL-GMO") as Transmission Owner**

On June 21, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notice of Cancellation, effective April 29, 2012 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER12-1677 **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Power Pool ("KPP") as Network Customer, and Midwest Energy, Inc. ("Midwest"), Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC ("MKEC"), and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owners**

On June 21, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective April 1, 2012 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER12-1710 **Notice of Cancellation of Two Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreements between SPP as Transmission Provider and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") as Transmission Customer**

On June 25, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notices of Cancellation, effective April 1, 2012 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER12-1713 **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Municipal Energy Agency ("KMEA") as Network Customer, and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owner; and Notice of Cancellation for Four NITSAs**

On July 3, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement and Notices of Cancellation, effective April 1, 2012 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

- ER12-1802** **Affected Systems' Facilities Construction Agreement ("FCA") Between SPP as Transmission Provider, Osage Wind, LLC ("Osage Wind") as Interconnection Customer, and Public Service Company of Oklahoma ("PSO") as Transmission Owner**
- On July 10, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective April 16, 2012 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER12-1819** **Notice of Cancellation of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement ("LGIA") between Goodland Wind, LLC ("Goodland Wind") as Interconnection Customer and Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("Sunflower") as Transmission Owner**
- On June 26, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notice of Cancellation, effective April 21, 2012 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER12-1820** **Notice of Cancellation of the Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Rio Blanco Wind Farm, LLC ("Rio Blanco") as Interconnection Customer and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") as Transmission Owner**
- On June 26, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notice of Cancellation, effective July 9, 2012 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER12-1849** **SPP Submission of Revision to Attachment AD of its OATT to Amend Tariff Administration Agreement between SPP and Southwestern Power Administration ("SPA")**
- On June 20, 2012, Southwestern Power Resources Association filed a Motion to Intervene.
- ER12-1854** **Notice of Cancellation of the Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Transmission Customer**
- On July 16, 2012, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notice of Cancellation, effective May 1, 2012 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER12-1896** **SPP and Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska ("MEAN") Request for Limited Waiver of the Provisions of Sections 7.1 and 7.4 of the SPP OATT**
- On June 28, 2012, FERC issued an order granting the request for limited waiver of the provisions of Sections 7.1 and 7.4 of the SPP Tariff to permit SPP and MEAN to suspend temporarily their respective obligations with respect to payment of certain contested amounts.
- ER12-2062** **Notice of Cancellation of the Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between ICG Aeolian Energy, LLC ("ICG Aeolian") as Interconnection Customer and Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("Sunflower") as Transmission Owner**
- On July 6, 2012, SPP filed a Motion to Withdraw the Notice of Cancellation filed on June 15,

2012.

ER12-2090

Notice of Cancellation of the Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and Lincoln Electric System ("LES") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner

On June 22, 2012, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider and Lincoln Electric System as both Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 1767.

The agreement was replaced by SPP Service Agreement No. First Revised 1767, which will be reported solely in SPP's Electric Quarterly Report (EQR).

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

ER12-2091

Notice of Cancellation of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement ("LGIA") between Nodaway Wind Energy, LLC ("Nodaway Wind") as Interconnection Customer and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("KCPL-GMO") as Transmission Owner

On June 22, 2012, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the LGIA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Nodaway Wind Energy, LLC as Interconnection Customer, and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 1808.

An effective date of May 26, 2012 was requested.

ER12-2099

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreements ("NOA") between SPP, Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Network Customer, and Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OGE") and Westar as Host Transmission Owners

On June 22, 2012, SPP submitted an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Westar Energy, Inc. as Network Customer, as well as a two NOAs with Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company and Westar as Host Transmission Owners. SPP Service Agreement No. Fifteenth Revised 607.

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

ER12-2111

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E") as Network Customer, and OG&E, American Electric Power Service Corporation ("AEP"), and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative ("WFEC") as Host Transmission Owners

On June 26, 2012, SPP submitted an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with OG&E, American Electric Power Service Corporation, and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative as Host Transmission Owners. SPP Service Agreement No. Fifth Revised 1313.

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

On July 3, 2012, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER12-2157

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Power Pool ("KPP") as Network Customer, and Midwest Energy, Inc. ("Midwest"), Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC ("MKEC"), and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owners

On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Kansas Power Pool as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with Midwest Energy, Inc., Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC, and Westar Energy, Inc. as Host Transmission Owners. SPP Service Agreement No. Second Revised 2198.

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

On July 5, 2012, Kansas Power Pool filed a Motion to Intervene.

On July 17, 2012, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER12-2160

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority ("OMPA") as Network Customer, and American Electric Power Service Corporation ("AEP"), Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E") and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative ("WFEC") as Host Transmission Owners

On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with American Electric Power Service Corporation, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative as Host Transmission Owners. SPP Service Agreement No. Sixteenth Revised 1166.

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

On July 3, 2012, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER12-2162

Meter Agent Services Agreement between Flat Ridge 2 Wind Energy LLC ("Flat Ridge") as Market Participant and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Meter Agent

On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted an executed Meter Agent Services Agreement between Flat Ridge 2 Wind Energy LLC as the Market Participant and Westar Energy, Inc. as the Meter Agent. SPP Service Agreement No. 2379.

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

ER12-2163

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("KEPCO") as Network Customer, and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owner

On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with Westar Energy, Inc. as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Eighth Revised 1636.

An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.

- ER12-2166** **Notice of Cancellation of the Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("KEPCO") as Network Customer, and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC ("MKEC") as Host Transmission Owner**
- On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 1511.
- An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.
- On July 17, 2012, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.
- ER12-2167** **Notice of Cancellation of the Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner**
- On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the NITSA and NOA between SPP as Transmission Provider and Southwestern Public Service Company as both Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Fourth Revised 543.
- An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.
- ER12-2168** **Notice of Cancellation of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement ("LGIA") between Heartland Wind, LLC ("Heartland Wind") as Interconnection Customer and Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E") as Transmission Owner**
- On June 29, 2012, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the LGIA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Heartland Wind, LLC as Interconnection Customer, and Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 1813.
- An effective date of June 10, 2012 was requested.
- ER12-2176** **Unexecuted Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska ("MEAN") as Network Customer, and Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD") as Host Transmission Owner**
- On July 2, 2012, SPP submitted an unexecuted NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska as Network Customer, as well as an unexecuted NOA with Nebraska Public Power District as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. First Revised 1906.
- MEAN declined to execute the Agreements because it disagreed with SPP that the designation of a new Network Resource required execution of a new Service Agreement.
- An effective date of June 1, 2012 was requested.
- ER12-2196** **Notice of Cancellation of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement ("LGIA") between Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") as Interconnection Customer and Transmission Owner**

On July 3, 2012, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the LGIA between SPP as Transmission Provider and Kansas City Power & Light Company as both Interconnection Customer and Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. First Revised 1522.

An effective date of June 5, 2012 was requested.

ES12-20 SPP Application Under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Securities (\$125 Million)

On June 21, 2012, SPP filed its Report of Securities Issues pursuant to Section 34.10 of the Commission's Regulations.

RM10-5 Interpretation of Protection System Reliability Standard

On June 21, 2012, FERC issued an Order Denying Request for Clarification of Order No. 758.

RM10-11 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Regarding Integration of Variable Energy Resources ("VERs")

On June 21, 2012, FERC issued Order no. 764, Final Rule regarding Integration of Variable Energy Resources ("VERs").

This Final Rule removes barriers to the integration of VERs by requiring each public utility transmission provider to:

- 1) offer intra-hourly transmission scheduling;
- 2) incorporate provisions into the pro forma Large Generator Interconnection Agreement requiring interconnection customers whose generating facilities are VERs to provide meteorological and forced outage data to the public utility transmission provider for the purpose of power production forecasting.

This Final Rule becomes effective September 11, 2012.

Compliance filings are due on September 11, 2013, which is 12 months after the effective date of the Final Rule.

RM10-23 Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities

On June 29, 2012, SPP filed a Motion for Extension of Time to submit its compliance filing in response to Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A.

SPP requested an extension to November 12, 2012 to file revisions to its Tariff and other governing documents to comply with the requirements of Order No. 1000 related to regional transmission planning, federal rights of first refusal, and cost allocation.

On July 2, 2012, the Edison Electric Institute filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

On July 3, 2012, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A. The petition was consolidated with Case No. 12-1232 already before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

On July 5, 2012, FERC issued a Notice Shortening Answer Period to July 10, 2012 to respond to SPP's Motion for Extension of Time.

On July 9, 2012, Westar Energy, Inc. filed comments in support of SPP's request for extension of time.

On July 9, 2012, the First Energy Companies filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in Case No. 12-1285.

On July 10, 2012, the Midwest ISO Transmission Owners filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

On July 10, 2012, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company filed an answer in support of SPP's request for extension of time.

On July 10, 2012, Nebraska Public Power District filed comments in support of SPP's request for extension of time.

On July 10, 2012, Sunflower Electric Power Association and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed comments in support of SPP's request for extension of time.

On July 11, 2012, the Large Public Power Council filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in Case No. 12-1292.

On July 11, 2012, the New York Independent System Operator, Inc. filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in Case No. 12-1293.

On July 12, 2012, the American Public Power Association filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in Case No. 12-1296.

On July 13, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Extension of Time to November 12, 2012 for SPP to submit its Order No. 1000 Compliance Filing.

On July 16, 2012, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of Order No. 1000-A.

On July 16, 2012, the ITC Companies filed a Petition for Review of Order Nos. 1000 and 1000-A before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in Case No. 12-1304.

RM11-11

Version 4 Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards (CIP-002-4 through CIP-009-4)

On July 2, 2012, NERC filed its Quarterly Report on Status of Development of Version 5 Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards.

RM11-18

Transmission Planning Reliability Standards (Order No. 762)

On June 19, 2012, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of Order No. 762 issued on April 19, 2012.

- RM11-20** **Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding and Load Shedding Plans Reliability Standards (Order No. 763)**
- On July 2, 2012, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of Order No. 763 issued on May 7, 2012.
- RM11-24** **Third-Party Provision of Ancillary Services; Accounting and Financial Reporting for New Electric Storage Technologies**
- On June 22, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.
- The Commission proposes:
- 1) to revise its Avista Corp. policy governing the sale of ancillary services at market-based rates to public utility transmission providers and reflect such reforms in Parts 35 and 37 of the Commission's regulations;
 - 2) to require each public utility transmission provider to include provisions in its OATT explaining how it will determine Regulation and Frequency Response reserve requirements in a manner that takes into account the speed and accuracy of resources used;
 - 3) to revise the accounting and reporting requirements under its Uniform System of Accounts for public utilities and licensees and its forms, statements, and reports to better account for and report transactions associated with the use of energy storage devices in public utility operations.
- Comments are due on September 7, 2012.
- RM12-3** **Revisions to Electric Quarterly Report ("EQR") Filing Process**
- On June 21, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to amend 35.10b of its Regulations, 18 CFR Part 35, which governs the filing of Electric Quarterly Reports, to change the process for filing EQRs.
- FERC proposed that implementation of any changes will apply to EQR filings beginning with the third quarter of 2013.
- The Commission will convene a staff-led public conference on July 11, 2012 to demonstrate the two new options for filing EQRs.
- Comments are due on September 4, 2012.
- On July 3, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Technical Conference and Agenda for the staff-led public conference on the Revisions to Electric Quarterly Report Filing Process Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on June 21, 2012. The conference will be held on July 11, 2012 beginning at 1 PM EDT.
- RM12-6** **Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") for Approval of a Revised Definition of "Bulk Electric System" in the NERC Glossary of Terms Used in Reliability Standards**
- On June 22, 2012, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to approve a modification to the currently-effective definition of the "bulk electric system" developed by NERC. The revised definition removes language allowing for regional discretion, establishes a bright-line threshold that includes all facilities operated at 100 kV or above, and identifies specific categories of facilities and configurations as inclusions and exclusions to provide

clarity in the definition of "bulk electric system."

FERC also proposes to approve:

- 1) NERC's contemporaneously filed revisions to its Rules and Procedure, which creates an exception procedure to add elements to, or remove elements from, the definition of "bulk electric system" on a case-by-case basis;
- 2) NERC's proposed form entitled "Detailed Information to Support an Exception Request" that entities will use to support requests for exemption from the definition; and
- 3) NERC's proposed implementation plan for the revised definition.

Comments are due on September 4, 2012.

RM12-7

Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") for Approval of Revisions to its Rules of Procedure to Adopt a Bulk Electric System Exception Procedure

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- 3) NERC's proposed implementation plan for the revised definition.

Comments are due on September 4, 2012.

RM12-10

Solar Energy Industries Association ("SEIA") Petition for Rulemaking to Update Small Generator Interconnection Rules and Procedures for Solar Electric Generation

On July 3, 2012, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference changing the time to 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM EDT. FERC also attached an agenda.

FERC held a technical conference on July 17, 2012 to discuss issues related to a petition for rulemaking submitted by the Solar Energy Industries Association in Docket No. RM12-10.

FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Arkansas

08-136-U **In the Matter of an Inquiry into Electric Transmission Issues within the Areas Served by the Southwest Power Pool Regional Transmission Organization and the Entergy Corporation as such Issues Affect Electric Service within Arkansas**

On July 2, 2012, SPP filed the ICT's Annual Performance Report for March 1, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

10-011-U **In the Matter of a Show Cause Order Directed to Entergy Arkansas, Inc. ("EAI") Regarding Its Continued Membership in the Current Entergy System Agreement ("ESA"), or Any Successor Agreement Thereto, and Regarding the Future Operation and Control of Its Transmission Assets**

On June 22, 2012, Kurtis Castleberry filed Supplemental Direct Testimony on behalf of Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

Mr. Castleberry provided a draft of the new support services agreement between Entergy Arkansas, Inc. and Entergy Services, Inc. contemplated for ESI to provide support services to EAI associated with EAI's post-System Agreement resource planning and operations and a draft on the amended and restated service agreement, which excludes system planning and operations services from the agreement for the remaining ESI services.

On July 2, 2012, Entergy Arkansas, Inc. filed its Responses to Order No. 54.

On July 2, 2012, Kurtis Castleberry filed Supplemental Direct Testimony on behalf of EAI pursuant to Order No. 54.

10-100-R **In the Matter of a Rulemaking to Adopt an Evaluation, Measurement, and Verification Protocol and Propose EM&V Amendments to the Commission's Rules for Conservation and Energy Efficiency Programs ("C&EE Rules")**

On June 19, 2012, the APSC General Staff submitted an errata substitution of Page iv, Table E-1 of the Executive Summary and Page 24, Table 4 to the Annual Summary Report on Evaluation, Measurement & Verification Findings which was filed on June 1, 2012 as Part 2 to Dr. James Bradford's Direct Testimony.

10-101-R **In the Matter of the Institution of a Rulemaking to Adopt Amendments to the Commission's Rules on Conservation & Energy Efficiency ("C&EE") to Allow Self-Directed Programs for Large Consumers**

On July 3, 2012, the APSC issued Order No. 27 proposing to adopt the Self-Direct Rules amendments. The Commission established the following procedural schedule:

July 16, 2012 (by Noon) - Intervention deadline;
July 30, 2012 (by Noon) - Initial comments, testimony, or pleadings addressing the proposed S-D rule changes are due;
August 6, 2012 (by Noon) - Reply comments, testimony, or pleadings are due; and
August 30, 2012 - Public hearing begins at 9:30 AM.

12-009-U **In the Matter of the Application of Southwest Power Pool, Inc. for Authority to Issue up to \$125,000,000 in Secured or Unsecured Promissory Notes**



Regulatory Status Report

On June 21, 2012, SPP filed its Response to Order No. 2. SPP included a copy of the lending agreement entered into on May 30, 2012.

FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of LA - New Orleans

UD-11-01

Initiating Investigation of the Potential Costs and Benefits of Entergy New Orleans, Inc. and Entergy Louisiana, LLC Joining a Regional Transmission Organization Versus the Continuation of the Entergy Independent Coordinator of Transmission with Enhancements

On July 2, 2012, Charles Rice, Jr. submitted Supplemental Direct Testimony on behalf of Entergy New Orleans, Inc.

On July 3, 2012, Entergy New Orleans, Inc. filed its Objections to Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.'s First Set of Requests for Information to ENO.

FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Louisiana

U-32148 **Joint Application of Entergy Louisiana, LLC and Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C. Regarding Transfer of Functional Control of Certain Transmission Assets to the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Regional Transmission Organization, For an Accounting Order Deferring Related Implementation Costs and Request for Timely Treatment**

On June 28, 2012, the LPSC issued an Order approving Entergy's Application as being in the public interest, subject to conditions as specified in the Order.

U-32300 **Application of Entergy Louisiana, Inc. and Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Approval of Interim Extension of Independent Coordinator of Transmission ("ICT") Arrangement and Change of Services Provider from Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP") to Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("MISO")**

The LPSC approved Entergy's request for Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. to replace SPP as the ICT at its June 28, 2012 meeting.

On July 10, 2012, the LPSC issued an order approving Entergy's Application, subject to conditions set forth in the order.

FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Mississippi

2011-UA-376

Joint Application of Entergy Mississippi, Inc. ("EMI"), and the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("MISO"), for Transfer of Functional Control of Entergy Mississippi's Transmission Facilities to MISO

On June 25, 2012, Entergy Mississippi, Inc. and the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. filed Rebuttal Testimony.

On June 29, 2012, Entergy filed errata pages to Hurstell's and Davis' June 25, 2012 Rebuttal Testimony.

On July 6, 2012, Bates White submitted its report entitled "Evaluation of the Entergy Mississippi Proposal to Join MISO."

On July 11, 2012, Bates White submitted a supplemental report to its report entitled "Evaluation of the Entergy Mississippi Proposal to Join MISO."

On July 16, 2012, the MPSC held a Technical Conference.

A pre-hearing conference was held on July 17, 2012.

On July 17, 2012, the South Mississippi Electric Power Association filed a Motion Requesting Amendment to Revised Scheduling Order. SMEPA requested that the hearing set for July 19-20 be postponed for one month so that evaluation of the Bates White Report can be accommodated.

FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Missouri

EO-2012-0271

In the Matter of an Investigation into the Siting and Safety of a Proposed Transmission Line in Platte County, Missouri

On June 29, 2012, Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company filed their Response to Order Directing Filing issued on March 14, 2012. The Companies submitted their second quarter 2012 report for the Iatan to Nashua 345 kV Transmission Project.

FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Texas

40125 Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") Application to Amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") for a Proposed 115-kV Transmission Line within Hale and Swisher Counties, Texas

On June 22, 2012, SPS issued a Notice of Settlement Conference to be held on June 29, 2012.

A settlement conference was held on June 29, 2012.

On June 29, 2012, SPS filed a Motion to Abate Procedural Schedule.

SPS requested an abatement of the procedural schedule and suspension of all discovery until August 3, 2012. On or before August 3, SPS will file either 1) a motion to remand the case to the Commission along with a stipulation and proposed order to effectuate a settlement; or 2) a motion to extend the abatement period if the parties need additional time to finalize settlement documents.

On July 3, 2012, PUCT issued SOAH Order No. 3 Abating Case Deadlines. On or before August 3, 2012, SPS shall file either a motion to remand the case or extend the abatement period.

40346 Application of Entergy Texas, Inc. ("ETI") for Approval to Transfer Operational Control of its Transmission Assets to the MISO RTO

On June 19, 2012, SPP submitted its Supplemental Responses to the First Requests for Information from the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

On June 25, 2012, SPP submitted its Responses to the Second Requests for Information from the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

On June 26, 2012, Entergy filed notice that it and Texas Industrial Energy Consumers have reached an agreement resolving Entergy's non-privilege-based objections regarding TIEC's Second Requests for Information.

On June 27, 2012, Entergy Texas, Inc. filed its Privilege Log Related to its Objections to Texas Industrial Energy Consumers' Second Requests for Information.

On July 2, 2012, SPP submitted its Responses to the Third Requests for Information from the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

On July 6, 2012, Intervenors filed Direct Testimony.

On July 6, 2012, Ralph Luciani filed Direct Testimony on behalf of SPP.

On July 6, 2012, Carl Monroe filed Direct Testimony on behalf of SPP.

On July 9, 2012, SPP submitted its Response to the Fourth Request for Information from the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

On July 16, 2012, Commission Staff filed Direct Testimony.