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**SPP
Notification to Construct**

February 19, 2013

Mr. Noman Williams
Sunflower Electric Power Corp.
301 W. 13th Street
Hays, KS 67601

RE: Notification to Construct Approved Reliability Network Upgrades

Dear Mr. Williams,

Pursuant to Section 3.3 of the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP") Membership Agreement and Attachment O, Section VI, of the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT"), SPP provides this Notification to Construct ("NTC") directing Sunflower Electric Power Corp. ("SEPC"), as the Designated Transmission Owner, to construct the Network Upgrade(s).

On January 29, 2013, the SPP Board of Directors approved the Network Upgrade(s) listed below to be constructed.

New Network Upgrades

Project ID: 30427

Project Name: XFR - Mingo 345/115 kV Ckt 2

Need Date for Project: 6/1/2013

Estimated Cost for Project: \$12,116,815

Network Upgrade ID: 50520

Network Upgrade Name: Mingo 345/115 kV Transformer Ckt 2

Network Upgrade Description: Install second 345/115 kV transformer at Mingo.

Network Upgrade Owner: SEPC

MOPC Representative(s): Noman Williams

TWG Representative: Noman Williams

Categorization: Regional reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor must have at least an emergency rating of 280 MVA.

Network Upgrade Justification: To address low voltage at Colby 115 kV, Hoxie 115 kV, Goodland 115 kV, and other 115 kV buses in northwestern Kansas for the loss of Mingo 345/115/13.8 kV transformer Ckt 1.

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Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$12,116,815
Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan
Estimated Cost Source: SEPC
Date of Estimated Cost: 11/12/2012

Commitment to Construct

Within 90 days of this NTC, please provide to SPP a written commitment to construct the Network Upgrade(s) pursuant to Attachment O, Section VI.6 of the SPP OATT, a construction schedule for the Network Upgrade(s), and the NTC Project Estimate, which is the updated $\pm 20\%$ cost estimate for the Network Upgrade(s) in the Standardized Cost Estimate Reporting Template. Failure to provide a sufficient written commitment to construct as required by Attachment O could result in the Network Upgrade(s) being assigned to another entity.

Mitigation Plan

The Need Date represents the timing required for the Network Upgrade(s) to address the identified need. Your prompt attention is required for formulation and approval of any necessary mitigation plans for the Network Upgrade(s) included in the Network Upgrade(s) if the Need Date is not feasible. Additionally, if it is anticipated that the completion of any Network Upgrade will be delayed past the Need Date, SPP requires a mitigation plan be filed within 60 days of the determination of expected delays.

Notification of Commercial Operation

Please submit a notification of commercial operation for each listed Network Upgrade to SPP as soon as the Network Upgrade is complete and in-service. Please provide SPP with the actual costs of these Network Upgrades as soon as possible after completion of construction. This will facilitate the timely billing by SPP based on actual costs.

Notification of Progress

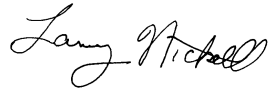
Please continue to keep SPP advised of any inability on SEPC's part to complete the approved Network Upgrade(s). For project tracking, SPP requires SEPC to submit quarterly status updates of the Network Upgrade(s) in conjunction with the SPP Board of Directors meetings. However, SEPC shall also advise SPP of any inability to comply with the Project Schedule as soon as the inability becomes apparent.

All terms and conditions of the SPP OATT and the SPP Membership Agreement shall apply to this Project, and nothing in this NTC shall vary such terms and conditions.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or comments regarding these instructions. Thank you for the important role that you play in maintaining the reliability of our electric grid.

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Sincerely,



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