

### *FERC or State Jurisdiction: FERC*

- 10-1178**                    **SPP Filing of FERC Report 582 for Computation of FERC Electric Annual Charges Assessed to Public Utilities**
- On March 31, 2015, SPP submitted its FERC Reporting Requirement No. 582 for the year 2014, indicating transmission service of 230,803,788 MWh.
- AD13-7**                    **Centralized Capacity Markets in Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators**
- On March 20, 2015, parties filed comments in response to the reports on fuel assurance issues filed by the RTOs/ISOs on February 18, 2015.
- AD14-3**                    **Coordination Across the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO")/PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. ("PJM") Seam**
- On March 13, 2015, SPP filed a doc-less Motion to Intervene.
- AD14-8**                    **Winter 2013-2014 Operations and Market Performance in Regional Transmission Organizations ("RTOs") and Independent System Operators ("ISOs")**
- On March 20, 2015, parties filed comments in response to the reports on fuel assurance issues filed by the RTOs/ISOs on February 18, 2015.
- AD14-14**                    **Price Formation in Energy and Ancillary Services Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations ("RTOs") and Independent System Operators ("ISOs")**
- Numerous parties filed Post-Technical Workshop Comments.
- On March 6, 2015, the ISO/RTO Council filed Post-Technical Workshop Comments.
- On March 6, 2015, SPP filed Post-Technical Workshop Comments.
- AD15-4**                    **Technical Conference on Environmental Regulations and Electric Reliability, Wholesale Electricity Markets, and Energy Infrastructure (To Discuss Implications of Compliance Approaches to the Clean Power Plan Proposed Rule issued by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"))**
- On March 3, 2015, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference regarding the Central Region Technical Conference to be held on March 31, 2015.
- On March 4, 2015, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference regarding the Eastern Region Technical Conference to be held on March 11, 2015.
- The Eastern Region Technical Conference was held on March 11, 2015.
- On March 25, 2015, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference containing information regarding the Central Region Technical Conference to be held on March 31, 2015.
- The Central Region Technical Conference was held on March 31, 2015.
- AD15-5**                    **Available Transfer Capability ("ATC") Standards for Wholesale Electric Transmission Services**

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On March 4, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Postponing Workshop that was to be held on March 5, 2015.

On March 31, 2015, FERC issued a Supplemental Notice of Workshop, rescheduling the workshop to be held on April 21, 2015.

**EL11-34 Midwest Independent Transmission Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Petition for Declaratory Order Seeking Commission Confirmation Regarding Section 5.2 of the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between MISO and SPP**

On March 19, 2015, Judge Cintron issued an Order Cancelling Settlement Conference to be held on March 26, 2015. An additional settlement conference will be scheduled to be held in May 2015.

**EL12-59 Complaint of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Golden Spread") Against Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") Regarding Rate of Return on Common Equity ("ROE") Input Value for the Formula Rate Applicable to the Replacement Power Sales Agreement ("RPSA")**

On March 23, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Making Substitute Designation of Presiding Administrative Law Judge.

**EL14-19 Section 206 Proceeding to Investigate into the Justness and Reasonableness of Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s ("MISO") Proposed Regional Through-and-out Rate ("RTOR") for Service over the Transmission System in the MISO South Region**

On March 23, 2015, Judge Baten issued the Eleventh Settlement Status Report. The deadline for a settlement in this matter is April 30, 2015.

**EL14-21 SPP Complaint for an Order Finding the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") is Violating the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between SPP and MISO and the SPP Tariff and Requiring MISO to Compensate SPP for Use of SPP's Transmission System**

On March 19, 2015, Judge Cintron issued an Order Cancelling Settlement Conference to be held on March 26, 2015. An additional settlement conference will be scheduled to be held in May 2015.

**EL14-30 Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Complaint Regarding Transmission Service Invoices from SPP**

On March 19, 2015, Judge Cintron issued an Order Cancelling Settlement Conference to be held on March 26, 2015. An additional settlement conference will be scheduled to be held in May 2015.

**EL14-73 Section 206 Proceeding Directing The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") to File Revisions to its Formula Rate Protocols**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting The Empire District Electric Company's Compliance Filing, effective April 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.

Empire's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18,

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EL14-74

**Section 206 Proceeding Directing Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") to File Revisions to its Formula Rate Protocols**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting Kansas City Power & Light Company's and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Compliance Filing, effective March 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.

KCPL's, KCPL-GMO's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18, 2015.

EL14-75

**Section 206 Proceeding Directing KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("KCP&L-GMO") to File Revisions to its Formula Rate Protocols**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting Kansas City Power & Light Company's and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Compliance Filing, effective March 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.

KCPL's, KCPL-GMO's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18, 2015.

EL14-77

**Section 206 Proceeding Directing Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") to File Revisions to its Formula Rate Protocols**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting Westar Energy, Inc.'s Compliance Filing, effective March 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.

Westar's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18, 2015.

EL15-8

**Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Golden Spread"), Central Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Central Valley"), Farmers' Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Farmers"), Lea County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Lea County"), Roosevelt County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Roosevelt") and the West Texas Municipal Power Agency ("WTMPA") (collectively the "Complainants") Complaint Against Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") Involving the Input Value for Rate of Return on Common Equity ("ROE") in the Formula Rate Applicable to the Replacement Power Sales Agreements Pursuant to which SPS Sells Capacity and Energy to the Complainants and the Formula Rate Applicable to Determination of the SPS Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement ("ATRR")**

On March 2, 2015, Southwestern Public Service Company filed a Request for Clarification, or in the Alternative, Request for Rehearing of the January 29, 2015 Order.

On March 31, 2015, the parties filed a Preliminary Joint Statement of Issues.

ER12-959

**Submission of Tariff Revisions 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**

On March 23, 2015, SPP filed its refund report pursuant to the October 16, 2014 order.

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- ER13-948**                    **Entergy Services, Inc. ("ESI") and the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Filing of Six Attachment O Templates to the MISO Open Access Transmission, Energy and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff to Establish Formula Rates for the Entergy Operating Companies' Recovery of Transmission Revenue Requirements**
- On March 23, 2015, Judge Baten issued the Eleventh Settlement Status Report. The deadline for a settlement in this matter is April 30, 2015.
- ER13-1864**                    **Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") to Include Market-to-Market ("M2M") Terms and Conditions (SPP Rate Schedule FERC No. 9)**
- On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including April 24, 2015 for SPP to submit its compliance filing related to Section 8.1.2 of Attachment 2 of the JOA.
- ER13-1928**                    **Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, Inc.'s Order 1000 Interregional Filing**
- On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including May 26, 2015 for the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filing related to PJM Interconnection L.L.C. pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.
- On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including June 22, 2015 for the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. and the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filings pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.
- On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filings addressing SPP's and the SERTP Parties' Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filings.
- The Commission conditionally accepted SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filings, effective January 1, 2015, subject to further compliance filings. The Commission denied SPP's request for waiver of Order No. 1000 interregional transmission coordination and cost allocation requirements for SPP's seam with SERTP.
- The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' filings partially comply with the general interregional transmission coordination requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings that include a definition of an interregional transmission facility that is consistent with Order No. 1000, which defines an interregional facility as one that is located in two or more transmission planning regions.
- The Commission found that the interregional transmission coordination data and information exchange process specified in SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filing partially complies with Order No. 1000. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit a further compliance filing to correct the tariffs to provide for "the identification and joint evaluation of interregional transmission facilities that may be more efficient or cost-effective solutions" to regional needs. The Commission rejected SPP's proposed language that was not included in the SERTP Parties' proposal. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit proposed revisions to satisfy requirements requiring the developer of an interregional transmission facility to first propose its interregional transmission facility in the regional transmission planning processes of each of the neighboring regions in which the transmission

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facility is proposed to be located, which will trigger the procedure under which the public utility transmission providers, acting through their regional transmission planning process, will jointly evaluate the proposed interregional transmission project.

The Commission found that SPP and the SERTP Parties' proposal partially complies with the joint evaluation requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings to list either the type of transmission studies that will be conducted or cross references to the specific provisions in the respective tariffs that reference such studies at the regional transmission planning level.

The Commission accepted SPP's and the SERTP Parties' provisions regarding transparency and stakeholder participation.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' proposed interregional cost allocation method partially complies with Order No. 1000 and ordered that a further compliance filing be submitted.

SPP's other tariff provisions that implement the interregional transmission coordination procedures were accepted effective March 30, 2014.

SPP's and the SERTP Parties' compliance filings are due on May 18, 2015.

On March 25, 2015, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of the January 23, 2015 Order pertaining to SERTP's interregional coordination with the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

ER13-1930

### **Louisville Gas and Electric Company's and Kentucky Utilities Company's Order 1000 Interregional Filing**

On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including May 26, 2015 for the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filing related to PJM Interconnection L.L.C. pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.

On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including June 22, 2015 for the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. and the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filings pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filings addressing SPP's and the SERTP Parties' Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filings.

The Commission conditionally accepted SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filings, effective January 1, 2015, subject to further compliance filings. The Commission denied SPP's request for waiver of Order No. 1000 interregional transmission coordination and cost allocation requirements for SPP's seam with SERTP.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' filings partially comply with the general interregional transmission coordination requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings that include a definition of an interregional transmission facility that is consistent with Order No. 1000, which defines an interregional facility as one that is located in two or more transmission planning regions.

The Commission found that the interregional transmission coordination data and information

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exchange process specified in SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filing partially complies with Order No. 1000. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit a further compliance filing to correct the tariffs to provide for "the identification and joint evaluation of interregional transmission facilities that may be more efficient or cost-effective solutions" to regional needs. The Commission rejected SPP's proposed language that was not included in the SERTP Parties' proposal. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit proposed revisions to satisfy requirements requiring the developer of an interregional transmission facility to first propose its interregional transmission facility in the regional transmission planning processes of each of the neighboring regions in which the transmission facility is proposed to be located, which will trigger the procedure under which the public utility transmission providers, acting through their regional transmission planning process, will jointly evaluate the proposed interregional transmission project.

The Commission found that SPP and the SERTP Parties' proposal partially complies with the joint evaluation requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings to list either the type of transmission studies that will be conducted or cross references to the specific provisions in the respective tariffs that reference such studies at the regional transmission planning level.

The Commission accepted SPP's and the SERTP Parties' provisions regarding transparency and stakeholder participation.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' proposed interregional cost allocation method partially complies with Order No. 1000 and ordered that a further compliance filing be submitted.

SPP's other tariff provisions that implement the interregional transmission coordination procedures were accepted effective March 30, 2014.

SPP's and the SERTP Parties' compliance filings are due on May 18, 2015.

On March 24, 2015, the SERTP Parties submitted a compliance filing to comply with Order No. 1000's interregional transmission planning and cost allocation requirements with the transmission providers in neighboring transmission planning regions, Florida Reliability Coordination Council and the South Carolina Regional Transmission Planning Process.

On March 25, 2015, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of the January 23, 2015 Order pertaining to SERTP's interregional coordination with the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

ER13-1939

### **SPP Submission of Tariff Revisions to Comply with Order No. 1000 Interregional Coordination and Cost Allocation Requirements**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filings addressing SPP's and the SERTP Parties' Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filings.

The Commission conditionally accepted SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filings, effective January 1, 2015, subject to further compliance filings. The Commission denied SPP's request for waiver of Order No. 1000 interregional transmission coordination and cost allocation requirements for SPP's seam with SERTP.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' filings partially comply with the general interregional transmission coordination requirements of Order No. 1000. The

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Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings that include a definition of an interregional transmission facility that is consistent with Order No. 1000, which defines an interregional facility as one that is located in two or more transmission planning regions.

The Commission found that the interregional transmission coordination data and information exchange process specified in SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filing partially complies with Order No. 1000. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit a further compliance filing to correct the tariffs to provide for "the identification and joint evaluation of interregional transmission facilities that may be more efficient or cost-effective solutions" to regional needs. The Commission rejected SPP's proposed language that was not included in the SERTP Parties' proposal. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit proposed revisions to satisfy requirements requiring the developer of an interregional transmission facility to first propose its interregional transmission facility in the regional transmission planning processes of each of the neighboring regions in which the transmission facility is proposed to be located, which will trigger the procedure under which the public utility transmission providers, acting through their regional transmission planning process, will jointly evaluate the proposed interregional transmission project.

The Commission found that SPP and the SERTP Parties' proposal partially complies with the joint evaluation requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings to list either the type of transmission studies that will be conducted or cross references to the specific provisions in the respective tariffs that reference such studies at the regional transmission planning level.

The Commission accepted SPP's and the SERTP Parties' provisions regarding transparency and stakeholder participation.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' proposed interregional cost allocation method partially complies with Order No. 1000 and ordered that a further compliance filing be submitted.

SPP's other tariff provisions that implement the interregional transmission coordination procedures were accepted effective March 30, 2014.

SPP's and the SERTP Parties' compliance filings are due on May 18, 2015.

### ER13-1940

#### **Ohio Valley Electric Corporation's Order 1000 Interregional Filing**

On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including June 22, 2015 for the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. and the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filings pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.

On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including May 26, 2015 for the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filing related to PJM Interconnection L.L.C. pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filings addressing SPP's and the SERTP Parties' Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filings.

The Commission conditionally accepted SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filings, effective January 1, 2015, subject to further compliance filings. The Commission denied SPP's request for waiver of Order No. 1000 interregional transmission

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coordination and cost allocation requirements for SPP's seam with SERTP.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' filings partially comply with the general interregional transmission coordination requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings that include a definition of an interregional transmission facility that is consistent with Order No. 1000, which defines an interregional facility as one that is located in two or more transmission planning regions.

The Commission found that the interregional transmission coordination data and information exchange process specified in SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filing partially complies with Order No. 1000. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit a further compliance filing to correct the tariffs to provide for "the identification and joint evaluation of interregional transmission facilities that may be more efficient or cost-effective solutions" to regional needs. The Commission rejected SPP's proposed language that was not included in the SERTP Parties' proposal. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit proposed revisions to satisfy requirements requiring the developer of an interregional transmission facility to first propose its interregional transmission facility in the regional transmission planning processes of each of the neighboring regions in which the transmission facility is proposed to be located, which will trigger the procedure under which the public utility transmission providers, acting through their regional transmission planning process, will jointly evaluate the proposed interregional transmission project.

The Commission found that SPP and the SERTP Parties' proposal partially complies with the joint evaluation requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings to list either the type of transmission studies that will be conducted or cross references to the specific provisions in the respective tariffs that reference such studies at the regional transmission planning level.

The Commission accepted SPP's and the SERTP Parties' provisions regarding transparency and stakeholder participation.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' proposed interregional cost allocation method partially complies with Order No. 1000 and ordered that a further compliance filing be submitted.

SPP's other tariff provisions that implement the interregional transmission coordination procedures were accepted effective March 30, 2014.

SPP's and the SERTP Parties' compliance filings are due on May 18, 2015.

On March 24, 2015, the SERTP Parties submitted a compliance filing to comply with Order No. 1000's interregional transmission planning and cost allocation requirements with the transmission providers in neighboring transmission planning regions, Florida Reliability Coordination Council and the South Carolina Regional Transmission Planning Process.

On March 25, 2015, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of the January 23, 2015 Order pertaining to SERTP's interregional coordination with the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

ER13-1941

### **Southern Company Services, Inc.'s Order 1000 Interregional Filing**

On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including June



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22, 2015 for the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. and the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filings pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.

On March 6, 2015, FERC issued a Notice Granting Extension of Time to and including May 26, 2015 for the SERTP Parties to submit their compliance filing related to PJM Interconnection L.L.C. pursuant to the January 23, 2015 Order.

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filings addressing SPP's and the SERTP Parties' Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filings.

The Commission conditionally accepted SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filings, effective January 1, 2015, subject to further compliance filings. The Commission denied SPP's request for waiver of Order No. 1000 interregional transmission coordination and cost allocation requirements for SPP's seam with SERTP.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' filings partially comply with the general interregional transmission coordination requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings that include a definition of an interregional transmission facility that is consistent with Order No. 1000, which defines an interregional facility as one that is located in two or more transmission planning regions.

The Commission found that the interregional transmission coordination data and information exchange process specified in SPP's Compliance Filing and the SERTP Parties' Compliance Filing partially complies with Order No. 1000. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit a further compliance filing to correct the tariffs to provide for "the identification and joint evaluation of interregional transmission facilities that may be more efficient or cost-effective solutions" to regional needs. The Commission rejected SPP's proposed language that was not included in the SERTP Parties' proposal. SPP and the SERTP Parties were directed to submit proposed revisions to satisfy requirements requiring the developer of an interregional transmission facility to first propose its interregional transmission facility in the regional transmission planning processes of each of the neighboring regions in which the transmission facility is proposed to be located, which will trigger the procedure under which the public utility transmission providers, acting through their regional transmission planning process, will jointly evaluate the proposed interregional transmission project.

The Commission found that SPP and the SERTP Parties' proposal partially complies with the joint evaluation requirements of Order No. 1000. The Commission directed SPP and the SERTP Parties to submit further compliance filings to list either the type of transmission studies that will be conducted or cross references to the specific provisions in the respective tariffs that reference such studies at the regional transmission planning level.

The Commission accepted SPP's and the SERTP Parties' provisions regarding transparency and stakeholder participation.

The Commission found that SPP's and the SERTP Parties' proposed interregional cost allocation method partially complies with Order No. 1000 and ordered that a further compliance filing be submitted.

SPP's other tariff provisions that implement the interregional transmission coordination procedures were accepted effective March 30, 2014.

SPP's and the SERTP Parties' compliance filings are due on May 18, 2015.

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On March 24, 2015, the SERTP Parties submitted a compliance filing to comply with Order No. 1000's interregional transmission planning and cost allocation requirements with the transmission providers in neighboring transmission planning regions, Florida Reliability Coordination Council and the South Carolina Regional Transmission Planning Process.

On March 25, 2015, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of the January 23, 2015 Order pertaining to SERTP's interregional coordination with the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

ER14-67

**Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and American Electric Power Service Corporation ("AEP") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner, and a unexecuted NOA between SPP, AEP as Network Customer, and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative ("WFEC") as Host Transmission Owner**

On March 20, 2015, Judge Wagner issued a Report on Settlement Negotiations. A final settlement package or written status report shall be filed no later than March 31, 2015.

On March 23, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Requesting Preferences for Substitute Settlement Judge.

On March 25, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Making Substitute Designation of Settlement Judge.

ER14-596

**Compliance Filing to Implement a Distribution Mechanism for Unreserved Penalty Revenues**

On March 26, 2015, FERC issued a letter acknowledging SPP's annual compliance report of assessments and distributions of operational penalties for unreserved use for the year January 1-December 31, 2013 as informational. However, FERC advised that future informational reports of penalty assessments and distributions should be submitted in Docket No. OA08-5-000.

ER14-1174

**Unexecuted Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") as Transmission Customer**

On March 19, 2015, Judge Cintron issued an Order Cancelling Settlement Conference to be held on March 26, 2015. An additional settlement conference will be scheduled to be held in May 2015.

ER14-1736

**Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Filing of Tariff Revisions to Recover Certain Costs Paid by the Transmission Provider**

On March 10, 2015, Judge Sterner filed a Status Report recommending that the current settlement proceedings continue.

ER14-2363

**Southwestern Public Service Company's ("SPS") Request for Waiver of the Provisions in Schedules 1A and 11 of SPP's Open Access Transmission Tariff ("Tariff")**

On March 25, 2015, Sharyland Utilities, L.P. filed a Request for Rehearing of the February 23, 2015 Order Denying Request for Waiver.

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- ER14-2570**                    **Order No. 792 Compliance Filing (Small Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreement)**
- On March 26, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions to comply with Order No. 792 which revised the Commission's Small Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreement.
- An effective date of August 1, 2014 was granted.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER14-2850**                    **Submission of Tariff Revisions to Facilitate the Integration of Western Area Power Administration - Upper Great Plains Region ("Western-UGP"), Basin Electric Power Cooperative ("Basin Electric"), and Heartland Consumers Power District ("Heartland") (collectively the "IS Parties"), which Jointly Own and Operate the Integrated System, into the SPP Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO")**
- On March 20, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Granting Motion to Intervene Out-of-Time of the Missouri Public Service Commission.
- A settlement conference was held on March 31, 2015.
- ER14-2851**                    **Submission of Bylaws and Membership Agreement ("Governing Documents") Revisions to Facilitate the Integration of Western Area Power Administration - Upper Great Plains Region ("Western-UGP"), Basin Electric Power Cooperative ("Basin Electric"), and Heartland Consumers Power District ("Heartland") (collectively the "IS Parties"), which Jointly Own and Operate the Integrated System, into the SPP Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO")**
- On March 20, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Granting Motion to Intervene Out-of-Time of the Missouri Public Service Commission.
- ER14-2852**                    **Westar Energy, Inc.'s ("Westar") Compliance Filing Revising Formula Rate Protocols**
- On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting Westar Energy, Inc.'s Compliance Filing, effective March 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.
- Westar's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18, 2015.
- ER14-2882**                    **The Empire District Electric Company's ("Empire") Compliance Filing Revising Formula Rate Protocols**
- On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting The Empire District Electric Company's Compliance Filing, effective April 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.
- Empire's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18, 2015.
- ER14-2884**                    **Kansas City Power & Light Company's ("KCP&L") and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO") Compliance Filing Revising Formula Rate Protocols**

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On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, conditionally accepting Kansas City Power & Light Company's and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Compliance Filing, effective March 1, 2015 as requested, subject to a further compliance filing.

KCPL's, KCPL-GMO's and SPP's compliance filings to revise the formula rate protocols are due on May 18, 2015.

**ER15-72**      **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 March 13, 2015, SPP submitted its refund report in response to the January 15, 2015 Order.

**ER15-77**      **Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Kansas City Board of Public Utilities ("KCBPU") as Transmission Customer**

On March 13, 2015, SPP submitted its refund report in response to the January 15, 2015 Order.

**ER15-158**      **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("KCPL-GMO") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner, and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owner**

On March 12, 2015, SPP submitted its refund report in response to the January 15, 2015 Order.

**ER15-164**      **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 March 12, 2015, SPP submitted its refund report in response to the January 15, 2015 Order.

**ER15-212**      **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Municipal Energy Agency ("KMEA") as Network Customer, and Midwest Energy, Inc. ("Midwest") and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owners**

On March 19, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 20, 2015 Order.

**ER15-232**      **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**

On March 19, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 20, 2015 Order.

**ER15-279**      **Submission of Tariff Revisions to Implement a Stated Rate to Accommodate Recovery of the Annual Transmission Revenue Requirements ("ATRR") for The Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District ("Central")**

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On March 10, 2015, SPP filed an Unopposed Stipulation and Offer of Settlement.

On March 11, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Continuing Settlement Judge Procedures.

On March 30, 2015, Nebraska Public Power District filed Comments in Support of Unopposed Stipulation and Offer of Settlement.

On March 30, 2015, Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District filed Comments in Support of the Unopposed Stipulation and Offer of Settlement.

On March 30, 2015, Trial Staff filed Initial Comments on Offer of Settlement.

**ER15-350**      **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 March 12, 2015, SPP submitted its refund report in response to the January 15, 2015 Order.

**ER15-360**      **Unexecuted Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Hale Community Energy, LLC ("Hale") as Interconnection Customer and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") as Transmission Owner**

On March 16, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective May 29, 2014 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

**ER15-473**      **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 March 19, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 21, 2015 Order.

**ER15-477**      **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 March 20, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 21, 2015 Order.

**ER15-484**      **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 March 20, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 21, 2015 Order.

**ER15-490**      **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 March 20, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 21, 2015 Order.

**ER15-509**      **Submission of Tariff Revisions to Refine Processes Related to SPP's Order No. 1000 Competitive Transmission Owner Selection Process**

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On March 16, 2015, ITC Great Plains, LLC filed a Protest in response to the February 23, 2015 Compliance Filing.

ITC stated:

- 1) SPP must require affiliate assignees to follow the same Qualified RFP Respondent application process as any other bidder; and
- 2) the Commission should affirm that competitive upgrade Notifications to Construct cannot be novated.

On March 25, 2015, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of the January 23, 2015 Order.

**ER15-551**      **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 March 24, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 28, 2015 Order.

**ER15-569**      **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 March 11, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective August 1, 2014 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

**ER15-571**      **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 March 24, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 28, 2015 Order.

**ER15-576**      **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 March 26, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 28, 2015 Order.

**ER15-579**      **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as both Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner**

On March 26, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the January 28, 2015 Order.

**ER15-599**      **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**

On March 24, 2015, SPP filed its refund report in response to the February 3, 2015 Order.

**ER15-763**      **Submission of Tariff Revisions to Modify Allocation of Over-Collected Losses ("OCL")**

On March 26, 2015, SPP submitted informational correspondence informing the Commission

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that the development of the system modification necessary to implement the revised Over-Collected Losses methodology is slightly behind schedule, and the necessary software changes will not be deployed by the April 1, 2015 requested effective date.

On March 31, 2015, FERC issued an Order Conditionally Accepting Tariff Revisions, to be effective April 1, 2015, subject to a compliance filing.

The Commission noted that SPP's formulae for determining the quantity of Over-Collected Losses in proposed sections 8.6.16.2(a) and 8.6.16.2(b) appear to be in error. The Commission stated it appears that the formulae fail to net the generation and load at the settlement location. The Commission directed SPP to correct these formulae or explain why it should not be required to do so in its compliance filing.

SPP's compliance filing is due on April 30, 2015.

ER15-829

**Notice of Cancellation of the Agreement Establishing External Generation Non-Physical Electrical Interconnection Point between SPP, Public Service Company of Colorado ("PSCO") as Source Balancing Authority, and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") as Sink Balancing Authority and Market Participant**

On March 4, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notice of Cancellation, effective August 1, 2014 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-830

**Transmission Interconnection Agreement between Public Service Company of Oklahoma ("PSO"), KAMO Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("KAMO") and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI"), with SPP as Signatory**

On March 24, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective March 24, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-859

**Submission of Tariff Amendments to Revise Attachments H and AI to Establish a Process by Which Prior to the Submission of a Filing to Incorporate a Transmission Owner's Initial Revenue Requirement into Attachment H, SPP will Review the Data and Information to be Included in the Filing**

On March 6, 2015, TDU Intervenors filed an answer in response to SPP's answer filed on February 23, 2015.

On March 16, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting in part and rejecting in part SPP's revisions to Attachments H and AI of the Tariff to establish a process by which prior to the submission of a filing to incorporate a Transmission Owner's initial revenue requirement into Attachment H, SPP will review the data and information intended to be included in such filing.

The Commission rejected without prejudice SPP's proposed revisions to Attachment H and new Section IV of Attachment AI. The Commission found that these tariff revisions are unjust and unreasonable and unduly discriminatory and preferential because they require a tariff review process that may take as long as six months after a new transmission owner's execution of the SPP Membership Agreement, and the proposed review process has the potential to delay a new transmission owner's revenue recovery for its transmission facilities.

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The Commission accepted the minor revisions to Attachment AI, Section II, criterion 6. The Commission also accepted the other revisions to Attachment AI that were not specifically addressed in the order.

An effective date of March 17, 2015 was granted.

**ER15-863 Ministerial Filing to Update Bylaws and Membership Agreement**

On March 12, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's ministerial filing to make corrections to Section 8.4 of the SPP Bylaws and Section 1.0 of the SPP Membership Agreement.

An effective date of March 17, 2015 was granted.

**ER15-879 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 March 17, 2015, SPP submitted an amended NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with Nebraska Public Power District as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Substitute First Revised 2446.

An effective date of December 1, 2014 was requested.

**ER15-899 Agreement Establishing a Pseudo-Tie Electrical Interconnection Point between SPP, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("KCPL-GMO") as the Market Participant, and Entergy Services, Inc. ("ESI"), on behalf of Entergy Louisiana, LLC ("Entergy Louisiana"), as the External Local Balancing Authority**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective January 19, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

**ER15-929 Submission of Changes to Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority's ("OMPA") Stated Rate**

On March 13, 2015, SPP filed a Motion for Deferral of Commission Action.

**ER15-932 Submission of Tariff Revisions to Clarify the Definition of Settlement Area**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions to clarify the definition of "Settlement Area" as the definition may be used in the context of Integrated Marketplace transactions.

An effective date of April 1, 2015 was granted.

**ER15-938 Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and American Electric Power Service Corporation ("AEP") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner**



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On March 24, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective January 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-940

**Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Tex-La Electric Cooperative of Texas, Inc. ("Tex-La") as Network Customer, and American Electric Power Company ("AEP") as Host Transmission Owner**

On March 24, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective January 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-942

**Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Northeast Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("NTEC") as Network Customer, and American Electric Power Company ("AEP") as Host Transmission Owner**

On March 24, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective January 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-944

**Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("ETEC") as Network Customer, and American Electric Power Company ("AEP") as Host Transmission Owner**

On March 24, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective January 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-961

**Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner**

On March 31, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective January 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-964

**Submission of Tariff Revisions to Implement a Cost-Based Transmission Formula Rate for City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri**

On March 10, 2015, SPP submitted an amendment to the February 3, 2015 filing to update SPP Member City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri's Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement and to implement a cost-based transmission formula rate.

An effective date of April 1, 2015 was requested.

On March 11, 2015, the Missouri Public Service Commission filed Comments in support of

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SPP's March 10, 2015 Filing.

ER15-1027

**Transmission Interconnection Agreement between Southwestern Electric Power Company ("SWEPCO"), Rayburn Country Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Rayburn") and East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("ETEC"), with SPP as Signatory**

On March 4, 2015, Rayburn Country Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-1049

**Submission of Tariff Revisions Regarding Frequently Constrained Areas**

On March 4, 2015, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 9, 2015, Xcel Energy Services Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene Out-of-Time.

On March 24, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions to update the list of Frequently Constrained Areas in accordance with the findings of the SPP Market Monitoring Unit's recent reevaluation.

An effective date of April 15, 2015 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-1139

**Submission of Tariff Revisions to Section III.D of Attachment J to Add Potential Remedies that SPP Could Recommend as Part of the Regional Cost Allocation Review ("RCAR") Process**

On March 3, 2015, American Electric Power Service Corporation filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 5, 2015, Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 6, 2015, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 9, 2015, Westar Energy, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 13, 2015, The Empire District Electric Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 19, 2015, City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 20, 2015, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 20, 2015, the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a Notice of Intervention.

On March 20, 2015, Xcel Energy Services Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene and Protest.

Xcel stated:

- 1) the RCAR process should result in improvements to Highway/Byway Methodology, not undo existing allocations;
- 2) SPP's proposal is not just and reasonable; and
- 3) SPP has not justified the need for these remedies.

ER15-1140

**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**

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### ("MKEC"), and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owners

On March 4, 2015, Kansas Power Pool filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 20, 2015, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-1141

### **Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") Filing of Operations Reliability Coordination Agreement ("ORCA") between MISO, SPP, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., Louisville Gas and Electric Company, Kentucky Utilities Company, PowerSouth Energy Cooperative, Southern Companies, and Tennessee Valley Authority**

On March 5, 2015, Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 13, 2015, SPP filed a doc-less Motion to Intervene.

On March 20, 2015, Entergy Services, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene and Comments in support of the February 27, 2015 Filing.

ER15-1145

### **Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s ("MISO") Filing of Revisions to the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between MISO and SPP to Include Provisions for Market-to-Market ("M2M") Coordination**

On March 6, 2015, SPP filed a doc-less Motion to Intervene.

ER15-1152

### **Submission of Tariff Revisions Regarding a Transitional Process for Allocation of Auction Revenue Rights ("ARRs")**

On March 2, 2015, SPP submitted revisions to its Tariff to implement a transitional process for allocation of Auction Revenue Rights to Transmission Owners in the process of joining SPP as Market Participants.

An effective date of May 1, 2015 was requested.

On March 5, 2015, Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 6, 2015, DC Energy, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 23, 2015, TDU Intervenors filed a Motion to Intervene and Limited Protest. The parties stated they believe it is important for SPP and the Commission to confirm the broad scope of eligibility for transmission customers to participate in the Transitional ARR Allocation process.

On March 23, 2015, American Electric Power Service Corporation and Western Area Power Administration filed Motions to Intervene.

ER15-1163

### **Revisions to Bylaws Section 6.6 to Add an Additional Seat for an Independent Transmission Company to the Corporate Governance Committee**

On March 4, 2015, SPP submitted revisions to Section 6.6 of the SPP Bylaws to add an additional seat for an independent transmission company to the Corporate Governance Committee.

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An effective date of May 3, 2015 was requested.

On March 4, 2015, NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On March 25, 2015, South Central MCN, LLC and Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed Motions to Intervene.

On March 25, 2015, ITC Great Plains, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene and Comments in support of SPP's March 4, 2015 Filing.

ER15-1212

**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 March 10, 2015, SPP submitted an executed 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. Fourth Revised 1876.

An effective date of March 1, 2015 was requested.

On March 31, 2015, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Power Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-1225

**Submission of Tariff Revisions to Update the List of Seams Agreements in Section 2.2.2 of Attachment C**

On March 11, 2015, SPP submitted revisions to Attachment C Section 2.2.2 to reflect the current seams agreements of which SPP is a party. Specifically, the revisions clarify the references to the listed seams agreements, where such seams agreements may impact the calculation of Available Flowgate Capacity.

An effective date of May 10, 2015 was requested.

On March 30, 2015, American Electric Power Service Corporation filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-1228

**Fourth Amended Interchange Agreement (also known as the "OAM" agreement) between Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI"), The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire"), Grand River Dam Authority ("GRDA"), Southwestern Electric Power Company ("SWEPCO") and Board of Public Utilities of Springfield, MO ("BPU")**

On March 12, 2015, SPP submitted an executed Fourth Amended Interchange Agreement between SPP, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., The Empire District Electric Company, Grand River Dam Authority, Southwestern Electric Power Company, and the Board of Public Utilities of Springfield, Missouri. SPP Service Agreement No. Second Revised 1670.

An effective date of February 23, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1293

**Submission of Tariff Revisions Regarding Multi-Day Reliability Commitment in Conservative Operations (Revising Attachment AE Sections 4.5.2 and 4.5.3)**

On March 16, 2015, SPP submitted tariff revisions to clarify whether and how Resources are committed in the Multi-Day Reliability Assessment after Conservative Operations have been

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implemented pursuant to the SPP Emergency Operation Plan.

An effective date of May 15, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1304

**Affected Systems' Facilities Construction Agreement Among SPP as Transmission Provider, Kansas Municipal Energy Agency ("KMEA") as Interconnection Customer and Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("Sunflower") as Transmission Owner**

On March 17, 2015, SPP submitted an executed Affected Systems' Facilities Construction Agreement among SPP as Transmission Provider, Kansas Municipal Energy Agency as Interconnection Customer, and Sunflower Electric Power Corporation as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Original 2994.

An effective date of February 20, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1340

**Submission of Tariff Revisions to Clarify Certification as a Regulation Qualified Resource in the Integrated Marketplace**

On March 19, 2015, SPP submitted tariff revisions to include terms and conditions in Attachment AE in order to provide the means for a generation resource that is not currently registered in the Integrated Marketplace, as in the process of registration, to either self-certify as a Regulation Qualified Resource, Regulation-Up Qualified Resource, or Regulation-Down Qualified Resource approved for dispatch within the Integrated Marketplace or request SPP to administer testing as an alternative to self-testing.

An effective date of May 19, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1370

On March 30, 2015, American Electric Power Service Corporation filed a Motion to Intervene.

**Interconnection Agreement between KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("KCPL-GMO") and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI"), with SPP as Signatory**

On March 25, 2015, SPP submitted an executed interconnection agreement between KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., with SPP as signatory. SPP Service Agreement No. Original 3001.

An effective date of February 25, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1401

**Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between CP Bloom Wind, LLC ("CP Bloom") as Interconnection Customer and ITC Great Plains, LLC ("ITC") as Transmission Owner**

On March 31, 2015, SPP submitted an executed GIA between SPP as Transmission Provider, CP Bloom Wind, LLC as Interconnection Customer, and ITC Great Plains, LLC as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 3006.

An effective date of March 2, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1414

**Submission of Tariff Revisions to Modify the Aggregate Transmission Service Study ("ATSS") Process**

On March 31, 2015, SPP filed tariff revisions to modify the Aggregate Transmission Service Study Process.

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An effective date of June 1, 2015 was requested.

**OA08-5**

### **SPP Order 890 Compliance Filing - Rollover Reform**

On March 26, 2015, FERC issued a letter acknowledging SPP's annual compliance report of assessments and distributions of operational penalties for unreserved use for the year January 1-December 31, 2013 as informational. However, FERC advised that future informational reports of penalty assessments and distributions should be submitted in Docket No. OA08-5-000.

**RM13-12**

### **Monitoring System Conditions - Transmission Operations Reliability Standard**

On March 18, 2015, NERC filed a Notice of Withdrawal of its changes to the Transmission Operations ("TOP") Reliability Standards and Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination ("IRO") Reliability Standards in RM13-12, RM13-14 and RM13-15.

**RM13-14**

### **Transmission Operations Reliability Standards**

On March 18, 2015, NERC filed a Notice of Withdrawal of its changes to the Transmission Operations ("TOP") Reliability Standards and Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination ("IRO") Reliability Standards in RM13-12, RM13-14 and RM13-15.

**RM13-15**

### **Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination Reliability Standards**

On March 18, 2015, NERC filed a Notice of Withdrawal of its changes to the Transmission Operations ("TOP") Reliability Standards and Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination ("IRO") Reliability Standards in RM13-12, RM13-14 and RM13-15.

**RM14-11**

### **Open Access and Priority Rights on Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities**

On March 19, 2015, FERC issued Order No. 807, Final Rule amending its regulations to waive the Open Access Transmission Tariff requirements, the Open Access Same-Time Information System requirements, and the Standards of Conduct requirements, under certain conditions, for the ownership, control, or operation of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

This Final Rule finds that those seeking interconnection and transmission service over ICIF that are subject to the blanket waiver adopted herein may follow procedures applicable to requests for interconnection and transmission service under sections 210, 211, and 212 of the Federal Power Act, which also allows the contractual flexibility for entities to reach mutually agreeable access solutions. This Final Rule establishes a modified rebuttable presumption for a five-year safe harbor period to reduce risks to ICIF owners eligible for the blanket waiver during the critical early years of their projects. Finally, this Final Rule modifies, as described in detail in this Final Rule, several elements of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, including the entities eligible for the OATT waiver, the date on which the safe harbor begins, the rebuttable presumption that the ICIF owner should not be required to expand its facilities during the safe harbor, and the facilities covered by the Final Rule.

This rule becomes effective on June 30, 2015.

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**RM15-3 Revisions to Part 46 Filing Requirements (FERC-566 - Annual Report of a Utility's 20 Largest Customers)**

Parties filed comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on December 18, 2014.

On March 2, 2015, the ISO/RTO Council filed Comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on December 18, 2014. The IRC stated that it agrees with the Commission's proposal that RTOs and ISOs be excluded from the FERC Form 566 compliance obligation.

**RR15-2 North American Electric Reliability Corporation's ("NERC") Implementation of the Reliability Assurance Initiative ("RAI")**

On March 12, 2015, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation filed a Motion for a 45-Day Extension of Time to file Rules of Procedures changes in accordance with the February 19, 2015 Order.

On March 16, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Extension of Time to and including July 6, 2015 for NERC to file Rules of Procedures changes in accordance with the February 19, 2015 Order.

**RR15-4 North American Electric Reliability Corporation's ("NERC") Petition for Approval of Proposed Revisions to the NERC Rules of Procedure to Implement NERC's Risk-Based Registration ("RBR") Initiative**

On March 19, 2015, the Commission issued an Order on Electric Reliability Organization Risk Based Registration Initiative and Requiring Compliance Filing.

The Commission approved in part, and denied in part, NERC's Petition. The Commission found as reasonable NERC's overall goal of ensuring entities are registered and made subject to the Reliability Standards based on the risk they pose to reliability. The Commission found that NERC has not adequately justified the proposed elimination of the load-serving entity function from the registry process and denies this aspect of the proposal. NERC was directed to submit a compliance filing in 60 days to address the Commission's concerns regarding the proposed elimination of the load-serving entity function. The Commission also directed that NERC must include Reliability Standard PRC-005 (Transmission and Generation Protection System Maintenance and Testing) as applicable to underfrequency load shedding-only distribution providers.

**RR15-5 North American Electric Reliability Corporation's ("NERC") Petition for Approval of Amendments to Exhibit B to the Delegation Agreement with SPP - Amendments to SPP's Bylaws**

On March 31, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the amendments to Exhibit B to the Delegation Agreement with Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

### **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 March 31, 2015, SPP filed the Winter 2014-2015 State of the Market Report pursuant to Order Nos. 2 and 25.

**13-041-U**                    **In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company ("SWEPCO") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("CECPN") for the Construction, Ownership, Operation and Maintenance of the Proposed 345 kV Transmission Line Between the Shipe Road Station and the Proposed Kings River Station and Associated Facilities to be Located in Benton, Carroll and/or Madison and Washington Counties, Arkansas**

On March 17, 2015, Save the Ozarks filed a Motion for Leave to File Surreply on SWEPCO's Notice of Withdrawal of SWEPCO's Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need.

On March 17, 2015, Save to Ozarks filed a Surreply on SWEPCO's Notice of Withdrawal of SWEPCO's Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need.

On March 18, 2015, Southwestern Electric Power Company, SPP and Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation filed a Joint Reply and Motion to Strike Save the Ozarks' Surreply.

On March 25, 2015, the APSC issued Order No. 37.

The Commission ordered:

- 1) Save the Ozarks' ("STO") request that the Commission issue an order denying SWEPCO's Application for a CECPN was denied;
- 2) STO's request that the Commission find the Intervenor to be the prevailing parties in this Docket and issue a procedural order to consider awarding Intervenor attorneys' fees was denied;
- 3) STO's Surreply Motion was denied and the Joint Parties' to strike STO's Surreply was denied; and
- 4) SWEPCO was allowed to withdraw its Application for a CECPN and the Docket was closed.



**FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Kansas**

**15-WSEE-365-MIS**

**In the Matter of the Application of Westar Energy, Inc. for a Siting Permit for the Construction of a 345 kV Transmission Line in Riley and Pottawatomie Counties, Kansas**

On March 3, 2015, SPP filed a Petition to Intervene. SPP also requested permission to file testimony ahead of the procedural schedule. SPP attached the Direct Testimony of Antoine Lucas as Exhibit A.

On March 3, 2015, the KCC issued an Order Setting Procedural Schedule as follows:

February 27, 2015 - Westar mails notice to landowners and starts publication notice;  
March 13, 2015 - Westar completes publication notice;  
March 16, 2015 - Westar files affidavit of notice;  
March 24, 2015 - Public Hearing;  
April 1, 2015 - Public comment period ends;  
April 3, 2015 - PACP files Report of Public Comments;  
April 10, 2015 - Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony and Responsive Testimony to Public Comments;  
April 24, 2015 - Westar Rebuttal Testimony to Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony, and Response to Public Comments;  
April 28, 2015 - Prehearing Conference;  
April 28, 2015 - Prehearing Motion and Discovery cutoff, disputed issue list due;  
May 6, 2015 - Evidentiary Hearing;  
May 13, 2015 - Simultaneous Initial Briefs;  
May 19, 2015 - Simultaneous Responsive Briefs;  
June 19, 2015 - Commission Order.

On March 3, 2015, the KCC issued an Order Designating Prehearing Officer; Protective Order; Discovery Order.

On March 4, 2015, Westar Energy, Inc. filed an errata to Attachment 1 of its Application and the Direct Testimony of Julie Lux.

On March 12, 2015, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) filed a Petition to Intervene.

On March 19, 2015, the KCC issued an order granting SPP's Petition to Intervene.

On March 19, 2015, the KCC issued an order granting the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board's Petition to Intervene.

On March 31, 2015, Westar Energy, Inc. filed an errata to its testimony to correct the Direct Testimony of Kelly Harrison and Julie Lux regarding how the costs of the project will be allocated.

### *FERC or State Jurisdiction: United States Court of Appeals*

**14-1281 Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E") v. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Concerning Orders Issued in Docket Nos. ER13-366 and ER13-367 Regarding SPP's Order No. 1000 Regional Compliance Filings**

On March 5, 2015, SPP, ITC Great Plains, LLC, Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation, and Xcel Energy Services Inc. filed a Joint Notice stating that they support Petitioner Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company in this proceeding and intend to join the brief filed by OG&E.

On March 23, 2015, the U.S. Court of Appeals issued an order denying the motion to hold in abeyance pending completion of agency proceedings. The respondent was ordered to file the certified index to the record within 30 days of the date of this order. In addition, the parties were ordered to submit proposed formats for briefing of these cases within 60 days of the date of this order.

**14-1282 Xcel Energy Services Inc. ("Xcel") v. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Concerning Orders Issued in Docket No. ER12-959 Regarding Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s Formula Rate**

On March 4, 2015, SPP and Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed a Joint Response to Order to Show Cause. SPP and Tri-County stated they will file a joint brief and one joint reply brief.

On March 5, 2015, Occidental Permian Ltd. filed a Notice of Participation in this proceeding in support of the Petitioner.

On March 10, 2015, the U.S. Court of Appeals issued an order discharging the order to show cause and ordering that intervenors be limited to one joint brief and one joint reply brief.

On March 12, 2015, the U.S. Court of Appeals issued an order establishing the briefing schedule.

On March 30, 2015, FERC filed a Consent Motion for Revised Briefing Schedule. FERC requested a 28 day extension for all dates established in the March 12, 2015 briefing schedule.

On March 31, 2015, the U.S. Court of Appeals issued an order revising the briefing schedule.