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AD10-2 Guidance on Simultaneous Transmission Import Limit Studies

On September 3, 2015, SPP filed a supplement to its informational filing of the 2015 Simultaneous Import Limit Study for the SPP region.

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

On September 29, 2015, ReliabilityFirst Corporation, SERC Reliability Corporation, SPP Regional Entity, and Texas Reliability Entity provided data and documents for the extreme cold weather periods experienced during 2015 and preparations for the upcoming 2015-2016 winter.

EF15-8 Western Area Power Administration ("Western") Filing of Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program - Eastern Division Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates (Order No. WAPA-170)

On September 8, 2015, Western Area Power Administration filed an answer in response to comments filed in this proceeding.

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 September 17, 2015, Commission Trial Staff filed Initial Comments on Joint Uncontested Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement.

On September 17, 2015, Southwestern Public Service Company filed Initial Comments in Support of Settlement.

EL14-38 Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("Sunflower") Complaint Against Kansas Municipal Energy Agency ("KMEA") and SPP Alleging that the KMEA/Garden City Supply Arrangement is Defective under the Commission's and SPP's Rules

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued an Order Denying Rehearing of the order issued on July 17, 2014.

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 September 3, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Granting Motion for Interim Rate Relief.

On September 17, 2015, Commission Trial Staff filed Initial Comments on Joint Uncontested

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Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement.

On September 17, 2015, Southwestern Public Service Company filed Initial Comments in Support of Settlement.

EL15-86

ITC Grid Development, LLC's ("ITC") Petition for Declaratory Order Regarding Rates for Competitively Selected Transmission Projects

On September 2, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Extension of Time until September 10, 2015 to file interventions, comments, and protests.

On September 8, 2015, American Forest & Paper Association filed a Motion to Intervene and Comments.

On September 10, 2015, the Delaware Public Service Commission filed Comments and Protest.

On September 10, 2015, the Organization of MISO States filed an answer and comments opposing the Petition for Declaratory Order.

On September 25, 2015, ITC Grid Development, LLC filed an answer in response to comments and protests.

ER13-1928

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, Inc.'s Order 1000 Interregional Filing

On September 14, 2015, Duke Energy submitted a corrected eTariff record for Attachment N-1 SPP in compliance with the order issued on August 31, 2015.

ER13-1937

Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") to Comply with Interregional Requirements of Order No. 1000 (SPP Rate Schedule FERC No. 9)

On September 8, 2015, Midcontinent MCN LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 8, 2015, the Sustainable FERC Project filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 8, 2015, the ITC Companies filed a Protest.

ITC stated:

- 1) MISO's and SPP's compliance proposal does not comply with Order No. 1000 or the February 19, 2015 Order; and
- 2) all interregional projects must be evaluated under a single, unified set of criteria which consider the full range of potential benefits; the existing regional project categories in MISO and SPP are not appropriate for the consideration of interregional projects.

On September 9, 2015, the American Wind Energy Association, the Wind Coalition and Sustainable FERC Project filed a Protest.

The parties stated:

- 1) SPP's proposal for the make-up of the Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committee ("IPSAC") provides too much authority to incumbent Transmission Owners over the decisions of the IPSAC; and
- 2) the Commission should order SPP to utilize the same cost-allocation method for policy projects that it has proposed for reliability projects.

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ER13-1939

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

On September 30, 2015, SPP submitted its compliance filing related to the SPP-SERTP process in response to the order issued on August 31, 2015.

An effective date of January 1, 2015 was requested.

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 September 11, 2015, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative and American Electric Power Service Corporation filed a status report regarding their progress in drafting a settlement agreement.

The Parties stated they intend to file a Settlement Agreement no later than September 25, 2015.

On September 18, 2015, Judge Coffman issued a Report of Settlement Judge, recommending that the settlement proceeding continue.

On September 30, 2015, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative and American Electric Power Service Corporation filed a status report regarding their progress in drafting a settlement agreement.

The Parties stated they intend to file a Settlement Agreement no later than October 30, 2015, or submit a written status report.

ER14-1736

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

On September 1, 2015, Judge Sterner issued a Notice Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on December 2, 2015.

On September 1, 2015, Judge Sterner issued a status report recommending that the current settlement proceedings continue.

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")

A settlement conference was held on September 9, 2015.

On September 28, 2015, Judge Young issued a Settlement Judge Report to the Commission and Chief Judge. It is possible that final offers of settlement will be filed before the next formal settlement conference, which currently is scheduled for October 23, 2015.

On September 28, 2015, Judge Young issued an Order Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on October 23, 2015.

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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 September 28, 2015, Judge Young issued a Settlement Judge Report to the Commission and Chief Judge. It is possible that final offers of settlement will be filed before the next formal settlement conference, which currently is scheduled for October 23, 2015.

On September 28, 2015, Judge Young issued an Order Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on October 23, 2015.

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")**

On September 3, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's July 15, 2015 compliance filing to update the stated rate for SPP Member Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, pursuant to the unopposed settlement agreement and the order issued on June 25, 2015.

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 September 11, 2015, SPP submitted its compliance filing pursuant to the order issued on August 14, 2015 in this proceeding.

An effective date of May 15, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1499 **Submission of Tariff Revisions to Incorporate City of Independence, Missouri as a Transmission Owner and to Implement a Stated Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement ("ATRR")**

On September 3, 2015, SPP filed the Prepared Direct Testimony of L. Patrick Bourne.

On September 3, 2015, City of Independence, Missouri filed the Prepared Direct Testimonies and Exhibits of James E. Franklin and Timothy R. Corrigan.

ER15-1666 **Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filing with Regards to the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool ("MAPP") Planning Region and its Sole Public Utility, NorthWestern Corporation ("NorthWestern")**

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff filed in Docket No. ER15-2075 to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member NorthWestern Corporation, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC also accepted NorthWestern's proposed formula rate template and implementation protocols filed in Docket No. ER15-2069 to be included in SPP's Tariff, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

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FERC consolidated Docket Nos. ER15-2069 and ER15-2075 for hearing and settlement purposes.

FERC rejected as moot several Order No. 1000 compliance filings made by NorthWestern, SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. in Docket Nos. ER13-62-003, ER15-1667-000, ER13-1764-000, ER15-1666-000, and ER15-1656-000.

ER15-1667

NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy ("NorthWestern") Order No. 1000 Interregional Compliance Filing Pertaining to SPP

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff filed in Docket No. ER15-2075 to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member NorthWestern Corporation, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC also accepted NorthWestern's proposed formula rate template and implementation protocols filed in Docket No. ER15-2069 to be included in SPP's Tariff, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

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ER15-1775

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Basin Electric Power Cooperative ("Basin Electric")

On September 1, 2015, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. filed a Motion for Leave to Intervene Out-of-Time.

A settlement conference was held on September 8, 2015.

On September 9, 2015, Judge Haubner issued a Notice Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on December 2, 2015.

On September 17, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Granting Motion to Intervene Out-of-Time of Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.

On September 21, 2015, Basin Electric Power Cooperative filed a Request for Clarification or, in the Alternative, Rehearing of the order issued on August 21, 2015.

Basin Electric requested that the Commission clarify that it did not intend the Formula Rate Order to require Basin Electric to perform a discounted-cash flow analysis (DCF) to determine its base return on common equity (ROE).

On September 25, 2015, Judge Haubner issued a Report of Settlement Judge, recommending that the settlement procedures be continued.

On September 28, 2015, SPP and Basin Electric Power Cooperative filed a Joint Motion for Adoption of Protective Order.

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On September 29, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Adopting Protective Order and Waiving Answer Period.

ER15-1777

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Heartland Consumers Power District ("Heartland")

On September 2, 2015, Judge Haubner issued an Order Rescheduling Settlement Conference and Offer and Demand Letter Exchange Date.

The initial settlement conference was moved to October 1, 2015. The exchange of offer and demand letters was postponed to Noon Eastern Time on Wednesday, September 30, 2015.

On September 25, 2015, Judge Haubner issued a Report of Settlement Judge, recommending that the settlement procedures be continued.

ER15-1902

Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Prairie Breeze Wind Energy II LLC ("Prairie Breeze") as Interconnection Customer and Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD") as Transmission Owner

On September 22, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective May 26, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-1918

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Clarify and Modify Transmission Owner Selection Process Provisions

On September 11, 2015, SPP submitted its compliance filing pursuant to the order issued on August 14, 2015 in this proceeding.

An effective date of August 15, 2015 was requested.

ER15-1939

Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Sunwind Energy Group, LLLP ("Sunwind") as Interconnection Customer and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Transmission Owner

On September 22, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective June 3, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-1943

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Missouri River Energy Services ("MRES")

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member Missouri River Energy Services, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-1976

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for East River Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("East River")

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its

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Tariff to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member East River Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-2028

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Corn Belt Power Cooperative ("Corn Belt")

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member Corn Belt Power Cooperative, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-2069

NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy's Filing of Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols to be included in the SPP Tariff

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff filed in Docket No. ER15-2075 to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member NorthWestern Corporation, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC also accepted NorthWestern's proposed formula rate template and implementation protocols filed in Docket No. ER15-2069 to be included in SPP's Tariff, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC consolidated Docket Nos. ER15-2069 and ER15-2075 for hearing and settlement purposes.

FERC rejected as moot several Order No. 1000 compliance filings made by NorthWestern, SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. in Docket Nos. ER13-62-003, ER15-1667-000, ER13-1764-000, ER15-1666-000, and ER15-1656-000.

ER15-2075

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Incorporate NorthWestern Energy's ("NorthWestern") Formula Rate

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff filed in Docket No. ER15-2075 to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member NorthWestern Corporation, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC also accepted NorthWestern's proposed formula rate template and implementation protocols filed in Docket No. ER15-2069 to be included in SPP's Tariff, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC consolidated Docket Nos. ER15-2069 and ER15-2075 for hearing and settlement purposes.

FERC rejected as moot several Order No. 1000 compliance filings made by NorthWestern, SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. in Docket Nos. ER13-62-003, ER15-1667-000, ER13-1764-000, ER15-1666-000, and ER15-1656-000.

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- ER15-2115** **Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative ("NIPCO")**
- On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff to add a formula rate template and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP Member Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.
- ER15-2184** **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI") as Network Customer, and Southwestern Power Administration ("SPA" or "Southwestern") as Host Transmission Owner**
- On September 8, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective June 1, 2015 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER15-2227** **Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s ("MISO") Filing of the Coordination and Operating Agreement between MISO and Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.**
- On September 17, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the Coordination and Operating Agreement between MISO and Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc., effective September 1, 2015 as requested.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER15-2235** **Submission of Tariff Amendments to Clarify and Modify Provisions Governing Eligibility for Start-Up Offer Cancellation Costs**
- On September 28, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the tariff revisions to modify the procedures by which SPP provides Real-Time Balancing Market start-up cost reimbursement for Resources that are cancelled by SPP prior to the Reliability Unit Commitment period.
- An effective date of October 1, 2015 was granted.
- This order constitutes final agency action.
- ER15-2237** **Kanstar Transmission, LLC ("Kanstar") Filing of a Formula Rate Template and Implementation Protocols to Recover Costs Associated with its Investment in Transmission Facilities Located within Southwest Power Pool, Inc.**
- On September 17, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Transmission Formula Rate Proposal and Incentives, Accepting and Suspending Filing, and Establishing Hearing and Settlement Judge Procedures.
- On September 25, 2015, Judge Wagner issued an Order of Chief Judge Designating Settlement Judge and Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on October 2, 2015.
- ER15-2247** **Notice of Cancellation of the Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between WindFarm 66 LLC ("WindFarm 66") as Interconnection Customer and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative ("WFEC") as Transmission Owner**

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On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the Notice of Cancellation, effective June 30, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2248

Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Upstream Wind Energy, LLC ("Upstream") as Interconnection Customer and Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD") as Transmission Owner

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective June 26, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2261

Meter Agent Services Agreement between Kansas Municipal Energy Agency ("KMEA") as Market Participant and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") as Meter Agent

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective July 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2263

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI") as Network Customer, and Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E") as Host Transmission Owner

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective July 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2265

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Modify Procedures for Establishing Trading Hubs and Resource Hubs

On September 4, 2015, the TDU Intervenors filed an answer in response to SPP's answer filed on August 31, 2015.

TDU Intervenors stated that SPP failed to defend its proposal to allow unilateral termination of a Resource Hub by a seller under circumstances that would deprive the buyer of the buyer of its rights under the parties' bilateral contract. Accordingly, the Commission should order SPP to modify its proposed Section 3.1.6 to ensure that buyers' rights under bilateral settlement schedules are protected.

On September 22, 2015, FERC issued an Order Conditionally Accepting Tariff Revisions to set forth one set of procedures for establishing, modifying, and terminating Trading Hubs and another for Resource Hubs.

The Commission directed SPP to clarify in a compliance filing why it is necessary to restrict modification or termination of a trading hub to situations when SPP can no longer calculate Locational Marginal Price (LMP), as well as what conditions SPP anticipates would lead to an inability to calculate an LMP at a trading hub.

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The Commission directed SPP to submit a compliance filing to make explicit in the Tariff that any long-term or incremental long-term Transmission Congestion Right (TCR) based on a settlement location associated with a resource hub will be honored by SPP for the full term of those TCRs.

The Commission directed SPP to revise Section 3.1.6 of Attachment AE to specify that termination of a resource hub tied to a bilateral contract, and related bilateral statement schedule, is prohibited unless agreed upon by both parties to the transaction.

SPP's compliance filing is due on October 22, 2015.

ER15-2268

Submission of Tariff Revisions Regarding Components of Mitigated Offers

On September 4, 2015, the Joint Filing Group filed an answer in response to the untimely Motion to Intervene and Comments of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

On September 4, 2015, SPP filed an answer in response to the comments filed by the SPP Market Monitor and the protest filed by Monitoring Analytics, LLC in this proceeding.

SPP stated:

- 1) comments filed in this proceeding only confirm the unsettled status of how mitigated offer should be calculated; and
- 2) SPP's stakeholder process worked properly.

On September 15, 2015, the SPP Market Monitoring Unit filed an answer in response to the answers filed by SPP and the Joint Filing Group.

The MMU discussed the following:

- 1) SPP's proposal is unjust and unreasonable, not just a less reasonable alternative;
- 2) the short-run versus long-run distinction, and its pricing and cost recovery implications; and
- 3) the standard for efficient, competitive market structures does not vary by regional transmission organization.

On September 18, 2015, Monitoring Analytics, LLC, acting in its capacity as the Independent Market Monitor for PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., filed an answer in response to answers filed by SPP and the Joint Filing Group.

Monitoring Analytics stated:

- 1) generation owners fail to support cost-based offers greater than short-run marginal cost as a matter of policy and economics; and
- 2) generation owners fail to support mitigating cost-based offers to a level other than short-run marginal cost as a matter of law.

On September 22, 2015, FERC issued an Order Rejecting Tariff Revisions to clarify the costs to be included in Mitigated Energy Curve Offers, Start-Up Offers, and No-Load Offers submitted by Market Participants pursuant to the SPP Market Power Mitigation Plan.

ER15-2291

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Harlan Municipal Utilities ("HMU")

On September 28, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions to implement a Formula Rate Template to calculate the annual transmission revenue requirement for SPP's

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Member, Harlan Municipal Utilities.

An effective date of October 1, 2015 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2297

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Clarify Ramp Sharing Provisions

On September 21, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions to include Regulation-Down Service among those Operating Reserve products capable of ramp sharing with Energy during clearing to ensure that any short-term ramping deficiencies from hour to hour in the Day-Ahead Market or across Dispatch Intervals in the Real-Time Balancing Market do not initiate unjustified Scarcity Pricing.

An effective date of September 28, 2015 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2315

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 September 21, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective July 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2324

Submission of Revenue Requirements, Formula Rate Templates and Formula Rate Protocols for the Following Members of Missouri River Energy Services ("MRES"): Moorhead, Minnesota; Orange City, Iowa; Pierre, South Dakota; Sioux Center, Iowa; and Watertown, South Dakota

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's proposed revisions to its Tariff to add formula rate templates and implementation protocols to accommodate the recovery of an annual transmission revenue requirement for the following members of Missouri River Energy Services: Moorhead, Minnesota; Orange City, Iowa; Pierre, South Dakota; Sioux Center, Iowa; and Watertown, South Dakota, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-2341

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

On September 21, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective July 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

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ER15-2346

Unexecuted Agreement Establishing a Pseudo-Tie Electrical Interconnection Point between SPP, Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") as the External Balancing Authority, and Resale Power Group of Iowa ("RPGI") as the Market Participant

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective October 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2347

Contract Services Agreement Between Southwest Power Pool, Inc. and Western Area Power Administration

On September 10, 2015, Western Area Power Administration filed an answer in response to the Motion to Intervene, Comments and Request for Hearing and Settlement Judge Procedures filed by NorthWestern Corporation.

Western addressed the following issues:

- 1) effect on existing cooperative arrangements;
- 2) authority of SPP to act as NERC Planning Coordinator for Western facilities and coordination with NorthWestern's Balancing Authority Area;
- 3) collection by SPP of charges for ancillary services provided by NorthWestern and pass-through to NorthWestern; and
- 4) lack of contractual privity for SPP to act as billing agent for NorthWestern.

On September 10, 2015, SPP filed an answer in response to the Motion to Intervene, Comments and Request for Hearing and Settlement Judge Procedures filed by NorthWestern Corporation.

SPP offered clarification regarding the following issues:

- 1) bilateral agreements between NorthWestern and Western Area Power Administration - Upper Great Plains Region;
- 2) SPP's authority to assume the Planning Coordinator function;
- 3) ancillary services provided by NorthWestern; and
- 4) cost allocation in the Upper Missouri Zone (Zone 19).

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions to incorporate an agreement governing the tariff administration and other duties that SPP will perform on behalf of SPP Member Western Area Power Administration-Upper Great Plains Region, for its transmission facilities in the Western Interconnection, suspending the agreement for a nominal period, to become effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-2350

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Attachment AE to Support the Application of the Federal Service Exemption in the Integrated Marketplace

On September 28, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions to support the implementation, accounting, and settlement of the Federal Service Exemption when the Western Area Power Administration - Upper Great Plains Region, a Federal power marketing agency, joins SPP and begins taking Tariff services on October 1, 2015.

An effective date of October 1, 2015 was granted.

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This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2351

Unexecuted Market Participant Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Alliant Energy Corporate Services, Inc. ("Alliant") as Customer and an Unexecuted Agreement Establishing a Pseudo-Tie Electrical Interconnection Point between SPP, Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") as the External Balancing Authority, and Alliant as the Market Participant

On September 8, 2015, Corn Belt Power Cooperative filed an answer in response to Alliant Energy Corporate Services, Inc.'s Motion for Leave to Intervene and Motion to Reject Filing. Corn Belt requested that the Commission accept the agreements as filed, without hearing or suspension, effective October 1, 2015 as requested.

On September 10, 2015, SPP filed an answer in response to the Motion for Leave to Intervene and Motion to Reject Filing filed by Alliant Energy Corporate Services Inc.

SPP stated:

- 1) the Tariff obligates Alliant to enter into a Market Participant Service Agreement and Pseudo-Tie Agreement, the same as similarly-situated load in SPP;
- 2) Alliant is the proper counter-party to the Agreements;
- 3) Alliant's request for a carve out should be rejected; and
- 4) the Commission should grant SPP's waiver request.

On September 18, 2015, Alliant Energy Corporate Services, Inc. filed an answer in response to the answers filed by SPP and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative and Corn Belt Power Cooperative.

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the agreements for filing, suspending them for a nominal period, to become effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-2354

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template, and Formula Rate Protocols for the Western Area Power Administration-Upper Great Plains Region ("Western-UGP")

On September 16, 2015, Western Area Power Administration filed an answer in response to comments filed by NorthWestern Energy.

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order conditionally accepting SPP's tariff revisions to add an Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement and to implement a formula rate template and implementation protocols for transmission service using the facilities of Western Area Power Administration-Upper Great Plains Region when Western-UGP transfers functional control of its transmission facilities to SPP, suspending the tariff revisions for a nominal period, effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund and to the outcome of the proceeding in Docket No. EF15-8.

ER15-2356

Unexecuted Market Participant Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and MidAmerican Energy Company ("MidAmerican") as Customer

On September 10, 2015, SPP filed an answer in response to the Motion to Intervene and Protest filed by MidAmerican Energy Company.

SPP stated:

- 1) MidAmerican is the proper party to the Market Participant Service Agreement filed in this

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proceeding;

2) MidAmerican's inability to obtain Auction Revenue Rights does not provide a basis to reject the filing; and

3) SPP's request for a waiver of the registration deadlines to facilitate the registration of MidAmerican's load by October 1, 2015 should be granted.

On September 16, 2015, MidAmerican Energy Company filed an answer in response to the answers filed by SPP, Corn Belt Power Cooperative, and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative.

MidAmerican stated:

1) SPP's Tariff does not require a Market Participant Agreement with MidAmerican, and it permits SPP to submit an unexecuted Market Participant Agreement with the relevant Transmission Owners;

2) the Tariff provides for the Transmission Owner, not MidAmerican, to register grandfathered agreements for Auction Revenue Right allocations; and

3) the Commission should establish hearing and settlement judge procedures.

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the agreement for filing, suspending it for a nominal period, to become effective October 1, 2015, subject to refund, and establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures.

ER15-2360

Contract Services Agreement Between Southwest Power Pool, Inc. and Basin Electric Power Cooperative

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's tariff revisions to incorporate an agreement governing the tariff administration and other duties that SPP will perform on behalf of SPP Member Basin Electric Power Cooperative, for its transmission facilities in the Western Interconnection that Basin Electric will transfer to the functional control of SPP on October 1, 2015.

An effective date of October 1, 2015 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2361

Market Participant Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. ("MDU") as Customer

On September 3, 2015, SPP submitted an amended, executed Market Participant Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Montana-Dakota Utilities as Customer. SPP Service Agreement No. 3065.

An effective date of October 1, 2015 was requested.

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective October 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2363

Market Participant Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Western Area Power Administration-Upper Great Plains Region ("Western-UGP") as Customer

On September 2, 2015, SPP submitted an amended, executed Market Participant Service

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Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and Western Area Power Administration-Upper Great Plains Region as Customer. SPP Service Agreement No. 3070.

An effective date of October 1, 2015 was requested.

On September 30, 2015, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective October 1, 2015 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER15-2506 **Notice of Extension of Joint Operating Agreement Between SPP and Western Area Power Administration (FERC Rate Schedule No. 13)**

On September 2, 2015, Western Area Power Administration filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-2540 **Transmission Interconnection Agreement Between Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI"), with SPP as Signatory**

On September 1, 2015, Kansas City Power & Light Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-2542 **Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") as Network Customer and KCPL, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO"), and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owners**

On September 1, 2015, Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-2560 **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 September 4, 2015, Kansas Power Pool filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER15-2594 **South Central MCN LLC's ("SCMCN") Application for Acceptance of a Transmission Rate Formula to Establish an Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement ("ATRR") for Transmission Service Over Facilities that SCMCN will Own in the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. Region**

On September 1, 2015, South Central MCN LLC filed an application for acceptance of a transmission rate formula to establish an annual transmission revenue requirement for transmission service over facilities that it will own in the SPP region.

On September 21, 2015, Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission filed a Motion to Intervene and Comments in support of South Central MCN LLC's filing.

On September 22, 2015, SPP filed a doc-less Motion to Intervene.

On September 22, 2015, Occidental Permian Ltd. filed a Motion to Intervene and Comment.

Occidental stated it does not object to South Central MCN LLC's proposal to recover the costs of certain Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s facilities from Tri-County pursuant to Schedule 10, but is concerned that SCMCN may later seek to shift the costs of those Tri-County

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facilities to SPP Zone 11 ratepayers. Occidental stated the Commission should confirm that if SCMCN seeks to change the cost allocation regarding Tri-County's facilities, it must obtain authorization under Federal Power Act section 205.

On September 22, 2015, Xcel Energy Services Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene, Protest, Request for Refund Protection, and Request for Hearing.

On September 22, 2015, the Missouri Public Service Commission filed Comments, Protest and Request for Hearing and Settlement Judge Procedures.

On September 22, 2015, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene, Comments and Request for Clarifications and Conditions.

On September 22, 2015, City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri filed a Motion to Intervene and Protest.

ER15-2629

Interconnection and Interchange Agreement between The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") and Kansas Gas and Electric Company ("KG&E"), with SPP as Signatory

On September 9, 2015, SPP submitted an executed interconnection and exchange agreement between The Empire District Electric Company and Kansas Gas and Electric Company, with SPP as signatory. SPP Service Agreement No. 3051.

An effective date of the date of acceptance by the Commission was requested.

ER15-2636

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Specify Acceptance Policies for Audited Financials

On September 10, 2015, SPP submitted revisions to the Credit Policy contained in Attachment X of the Tariff to explicitly state that SPP will accept either the United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles or the International Financial Reporting Standards to meet the minimum eligibility requirements for participation in the Integrated Marketplace.

An effective date of November 9, 2015 was requested.

ER15-2646

Notice of Cancellation of the Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation ("AECC") as Network Customer, and Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E") as Host Transmission Owner

On September 11, 2015, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Fifth Revised 2158.

An effective date of July 1, 2015 was requested.

ER15-2652

Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Cottonwood Wind Project, LLC ("Cottonwood") as Interconnection Customer and Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD") as Transmission Owner

On September 15, 2015, SPP submitted an executed GIA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Cottonwood Wind Project, LLC as Interconnection Customer, and Nebraska Public

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Power District as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Fourth Revised 2252.

An effective date of September 3, 2015 was requested.

ER15-2669

Notice of Cancellation of the Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between SPP as Transmission Provider and City of Independence, Missouri ("Independence") as Transmission Customer

On September 18, 2015, SPP submitted a Notice of Cancellation of the service agreement for Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service between SPP as Transmission Provider and City of Independence, Missouri as Transmission Customer. SPP Service Agreement No. 1487.

An effective date of June 1, 2015 was requested.

On September 28, 2015, the City of Independence, Missouri filed a Motion to Intervene and Supporting Comments.

ER15-2690

Submission of Tariff Revisions to the Day-Ahead Reliability Unit Commitment Assessment under Attachment AE

On September 22, 2015, SPP submitted tariff revisions to implement a design enhancement for the Day-Ahead Market under Attachment AE to modify the assessment timeframe for the Day-Ahead Reliability Unit Commitment to provide enhanced visibility into available Resources during the transition from the current to the next Operating Day.

An effective date of November 21, 2015 was requested.

ER15-2705

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Implement Approval and Cost Allocation for a Seams Transmission Project

On September 24, 2015, SPP filed tariff revisions to include terms and conditions to allow for the study, approval, and cost allocation of transmission facilities identified pursuant to coordinated transmission planning between SPP and external entities that are outside the scope of, or do not qualify for, Order No. 1000 interregional coordination and cost allocation.

An effective date of December 1, 2015 was requested.

On September 29, 2015, the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a Motion to Intervene.

RM14-2

Coordination of the Scheduling Processes of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities (Order No. 809)

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued an Order on Rehearing of Order No. 809.

FERC denied Desert Southwest Pipeline Stakeholders' rehearing request and directed El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C., Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC, and TransCanada-North Baja Pipelines to make an informational filing within 90 days of the date of this order. FERC also requested that the natural gas and electric industries, through NAESB, begin considering the development of standards related to faster, computerized scheduling and file such standards or a report on the development of such standards with the Commission by October 17, 2016.

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- RM14-10 Real Power Balancing Control Performance Reliability Standard**
- On September 1, 2015, FERC issued an Order Denying Clarification and Rehearing of Order No. 810.
- RM15-3 Revisions to Part 46 Filing Requirements (FERC-566 - Annual Report of a Utility's 20 Largest Customers) (Order No. 812)**
- On September 15, 2015, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration of Order No. 812.
- RM15-4 Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements Reliability Standard**
- On September 17, 2015, FERC issued Order No. 814, Final Rule approving Reliability Standard PRC-002-2 (Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements).
- This rule becomes effective on November 24, 2015.
- RM15-8 Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings Reliability Standard**
- On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to approve Reliability Standard PRC-026-1 (Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings), submitted by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation. The proposed Reliability Standard is designed to ensure that applicable entities use protective relay systems that can differentiate between faults and stable power swings. In addition, the Commission requests comment regarding the potential burden of modifying the applicability of proposed Reliability Standard PRC-026-1 to include relays with a time delay of 15 cycles or greater in instances where either (1) an element has been identified by a Planning Coordinator as potentially susceptible to power swings or (2) an entity becomes aware of a bulk electric system element that tripped in response to a stable or unstable power swing due to the operation of its protective relay(s), even if the element was not previously identified by the planning coordinator.
- Comments are due on November 23, 2015.
- RM15-9 Protection System, Automatic Reclosing, and Sudden Pressure Relaying Maintenance Reliability Standard**
- On September 17, 2015, FERC issued Order No. 813, Final Rule approving a revised Reliability Standard, PRC-005-4 (Protection System, Automatic Reclosing and Sudden Pressure Relaying Maintenance). The Commission also approves one new definition and four revised definitions referenced in the proposed Reliability Standard, as well as the assigned violation risk factors and violation severity levels, and the associated implementation plan.
- This rule becomes effective on November 23, 2015.
- RM15-11 Reliability Standard for Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events**
- On September 23, 2015, NERC filed Reply Comments.
- RM15-14 Revised Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards**
- On September 16, 2015, the SPP Regional Entity filed comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on July 16, 2015.

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Parties filed comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on July 16, 2015.

On September 21, 2015, the ISO/RTO Council filed comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on July 16, 2015.

RM15-21

Petition for Rulemaking to Revise Generator Interconnection Rules and Procedures

Numerous parties filed comments in response to the Petition for Rulemaking.

On September 8, 2015, the ISO/RTO Council filed Comments in response to the Petition for Rulemaking.

The IRC asked that the Commission continue to allow for regional flexibility in proposing and implementing modifications to each region's interconnection procedures, as necessary, to address the concerns enunciated in the Petition. The IRC stated that the Commission should reject the Petition to mandate one-size-fits-all changes to all existing regional tariffs that have been approved by the Commission and direct the American Wind Energy Association and its members to address their concerns by participating in the appropriate regional stakeholder processes.

RM15-23

Collection of Connected Entity Data from Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to amend its regulations to require each regional transmission organization and independent system operator to electronically deliver to the Commission, on an ongoing basis, data required from its market participants that would (i) identify the market participants by means of a common alpha-numeric identifier; (ii) list their "Connected Entities," which includes entities that have certain ownership, employment, debt, or contractual relationships to the market participants, as specified in this NOPR; and (iii) describe in brief the nature of the relationship of each Connected Entity. Such information will assist screening and investigative efforts to detect market manipulation, an enforcement priority of the Commission. The initiative would also assist market monitors for the RTOs and ISOs in their individual and joint investigations of potential cross-market manipulation.

Comments are due on November 30, 2015.

RM15-24

Settlement Intervals and Shortage Pricing in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to revise its regulations to require that each regional transmission organization and independent system operator settle energy transactions in its real-time markets at the same time interval it dispatches energy and settle operating reserves transactions in its real-time markets at the same time interval it prices operating reserves. The Commission also proposes to revise its regulations to require that each RTO/ISO trigger shortage pricing for any dispatch interval during which a shortage of energy or operating reserves occurs.

Comments are due on November 30, 2015.

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RM15-25 **Availability of Certain North American Electric Reliability Corporation Databases to the Commission**

On September 17, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to amend its regulations to require the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) to provide the Commission, and Commission staff, with access, on a non-public and ongoing basis, to certain databases compiled and maintained by NERC. The Commission's proposal applies to the following NERC databases: (1) the Transmission Availability Data System, (2) the Generating Availability Data System, and (3) the protection system misoperations database. Access to these databases, which will be limited to data regarding U.S. facilities, will provide the Commission with information necessary to determine the need for new or modified Reliability Standards and to better understand NERC's periodic reliability and adequacy assessments.

Comments are due on November 30, 2015.

RR15-13 **Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") for Approval of Amendments to the Bylaws of Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP") Attached to the Delegation Agreement as Exhibit B**

On September 1, 2015, FERC issued an order accepting the North American Electric Reliability Corporation's Petition for Approval of Amendments to the Bylaws of Southwest Power Pool, Inc. which are attached to the Delegation Agreement as Exhibit B. The changes include the revisions accepted by the Commission in Docket Nos. ER15-863 and ER15-1163.

RR15-19 **North American Electric Reliability Corporation's ("NERC") Petition for Approval of Amendments to Exhibit B to the Delegation Agreement with SPP to Include the Changes filed by SPP in Docket No. ER15-1924**

On September 16, 2015, NERC filed a petition for approval to amendments to Exhibit B to the Delegation Agreement with SPP. This includes changes to SPP's Bylaws filed by SPP in Docket No. ER15-1924.

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FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Louisiana

R-33253 **Rulemaking Docket Regarding the United States Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") Proposed Rule on Carbon Dioxide Emissions from Existing Fossil-Fuel Fired Electric Generating Units under Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act**

On September 16, 2015, parties filed comments regarding the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Power Plan Final Rule.

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 September 8, 2015, the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. filed a report regarding the status of negotiations with SPP to resolve outstanding issues related to the Joint Operating Agreement.

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FERC or State Jurisdiction: State of Missouri

EW-2014-0156

In the Matter of an Investigation Into the Possible Methods of Mitigating Identified Harmful Effects of Entergy Joining MISO on non-MISO Missouri Utilities and Their Ratepayers and Maximizing the Benefits for Missouri Utilities and Ratepayers Along RTO and Cooperative Seams

On September 23, 2015, the MoPSC issued an order closing file.

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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 September 21, 2015, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission filed its Brief.

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 September 2, 2015, Occidental Permian Ltd. filed a Reply Brief in support of Petitioner Xcel Energy Services Inc.

15-1213 **Xcel Energy Services Inc. ("Xcel") v. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Concerning Orders Issued in Docket Nos. EL12-59 and EL13-78 Regarding Return on Common Equity Input Values in Southwestern Public Service Company's ("SPS") Formula Rates**

On September 14, 2015, the court issued an order granting the motion to hold in abeyance.