

Regulatory Status Report

Jurisdiction:
FERC

- EL16-91** **Section 206 Proceeding to Examine SPP's Open Access Transmission Tariff and Absence of Refund Commitment for Non-Public Utility Transmission Owners to Refund Revenues that they May Receive Associated with Service Provided due to their Status as Transmission-Owning RTO Members in the Same Manner Public Utility Transmission Owners Could be Required to Provide Refunds of Such Revenues**
- On September 20, 2017, the Kansas Corporation Commission filed a Motion to Intervene.
- EL17-86** **Nebraska Public Power District's ("NPPD") Complaint Against SPP Concerning the Attachment Z2 Revenue Crediting Process**
- On September 1, 2017, FERC issued a Notice of Complaint. Comment deadline is September 20, 2017.
- Several parties filed Motions to Intervene.
- On September 20, 2017, SPP filed its answer to the Complaint.
- SPP stated:
- 1) the complaint rests on an interpretation that is not supported by the "Plain Meaning" of the Tariff's Operative Terms;
 - 2) neither the regulatory history of Attachment Z (and its successors Z1 and Z2), nor SPP's course of dealing, serves to validate the Complaint; and
 - 3) NPPD's "cost causation" arguments are irrelevant and unpersuasive.
- On September 20, 2017, EDF Renewable Energy, Inc. filed Comments or, in the Alternative, Protest in response to the Complaint.
- EDF stated:
- 1) to clarify, NPPD does not challenge SPP's cost recovery approach for the "capacity" upgrades listed, which includes the Woodward Phase Shifting Transformer;
 - 2) SPP's Tariff does not distinguish "non-capacity" upgrades from "capacity" upgrades for cost allocation purposes; and
 - 3) NPPD's assertion that none of the "non-capacity" upgrades have been identified in aggregate facilities studies appears to be incorrect.
- EL17-89** **American Electric Power Service Corporation ("AEP") Complaint Against the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") and SPP Concerning Assessment of Duplicative Congestion Charges Associated with Southwestern Electric Power Company ("SWEPCO") Loads that are Pseudo-Tied from MISO to SPP**
- On September 15, 2017, American Electric Power Service Corporation, on behalf of its operating affiliate, Southwestern Electric Power Company, filed a Complaint against the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. and SPP. AEP stated this Complaint seeks to put a stop to the assessment of duplicative congestion charges associated with SWEPCO loads that are pseudo-tied from MISO to SPP and other unjust, unreasonable, and unduly discriminatory practices.
- On September 18, 2017, FERC issued a Notice of Complaint. Comment date is October 5, 2017.
- Several parties filed motions to intervene.

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Jurisdiction: ER14-2850
FERC

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 September 26, 2017, FERC issued an order finding that none of the parties seeking carve-out treatment are eligible for grandfathered agreement carve-out treatment.

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 26, 2017, FERC issued an order finding that none of the parties seeking carve-out treatment are eligible for grandfathered agreement carve-out treatment.

ER15-2028

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

On September 19, 2017, Judge Coffman issued a Report of Settlement Judge, recommending that the settlement proceeding continue.

ER16-1774

Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Western Farmers Electric Cooperative ("WFEC")

On September 25, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's compliance filing submitted on August 7, 2017.

An effective date of July 1, 2016 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-1332

Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s Submission of Revisions to the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between SPP and MISO to Modify MISO's Processes to Include Flows Resulting from Bi-Directional External Asynchronous Resources ("EAR") in the MISO Market Flow Calculation Under the Baseline Congestion Management Process ("CMP")

On September 20, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s revisions to the Joint Operating Agreement between SPP and MISO in order to modify MISO's existing processes with its seams and coordinating partners to include flows resulting from bi-directional External Asynchronous Resources in the MISO market flow calculation under the baseline Congestion Management Process, as well as specify other information sharing obligations.

An effective date of June 1, 2017 was requested.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-1333
FERC

Submission of Revisions to the Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") between SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") to Modify MISO's Processes to Include Flows Resulting from Bi-Directional External Asynchronous Resources ("EAR") in the MISO Market Flow Calculation Under the Baseline Congestion Management Process ("CMP")

On September 20, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's revisions to the Joint Operating Agreement between SPP and the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. in order to modify MISO's existing processes with its seams and coordinating partners to include flows resulting from bi-directional External Asynchronous Resources in the MISO market flow calculation under the baseline Congestion Management Process, as well as specify other information sharing obligations.

An effective date of June 1, 2017 was granted.

ER17-1575 **Tariff Amendments to Modify Auction Revenue Rights ("ARRs") and Long-Term Congestion Rights ("LTCRs") Eligibility Provisions for Network Service**

On September 13, 2017, FERC issued an Order Granting Rehearing for Further Consideration.

ER17-1643 **Submission of Tariff Revisions to Modify Offer Database Roll Forward Logic**

On September 8, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's revisions to Section 4.1 of Attachment AE of the Tariff to modify offer database roll forward logic by removing a process whereby Market Participants making an intraday change were required to make two market submissions - one for the intended intraday change and another to change subsequent Real-Time submissions back to the original, pre-intraday change value.

An effective date of July 20, 2017 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-1741 **Submission of Updated Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement ("ATRR") for The Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District ("Central")**

On September 8, 2017, Judge Cintron issued an Order of Chief Judge Continuing Settlement Judge Procedures.

On September 15, 2017, SPP filed a Stipulation and Offer of Settlement.

ER17-1795 **Submission of Tariff Revisions Regarding Modification of Conditions to Classify a Service Upgrade as a Base Plan Upgrade under Attachment J of the Tariff**

On September 7, 2017, SPP submitted its response to the request for additional information issued on August 8, 2017.

On September 22, 2017, TDU Intervenors filed Supplemental Comments in support of SPP's filing.

On September 28, 2017, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. filed comments in response to SPP's deficiency response. KEPCo requested that the Commission state clearly that its decision in this proceeding is without prejudice to the issues before it in Docket No. EL17-21-000.

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Jurisdiction: FERC	ER17-2027	Submission of Tariff Revisions to SPP's Integrated Transmission Planning Process On September 21, 2017, FERC issued a letter stating that SPP's filing is deficient and that additional information is required in order to process the filing. SPP's response is due on October 23, 2017.
	ER17-2032	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 25, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting the agreements filed in Docket Nos. ER17-2032 and ER17-2038, effective June 1, 2017 and September 1, 2017.
	ER17-2038	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 25, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting the agreements filed in Docket Nos. ER17-2032 and ER17-2038, effective June 1, 2017 and September 1, 2017.
	ER17-2041	Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI") as Network Customer, and American Electric Power Service Corporation ("AEP") as Host Transmission Owner On September 27, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting the agreement, effective June 1, 2017 as requested. This order constitutes final agency action.
	ER17-2042	Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Otter Tail Power Company ("Otter Tail") as Network Customer, and Central Power Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Central Power") and Western Area Power Administration ("WAPA") as Host Transmission Owners On September 6, 2017, Otter Tail Power Company filed an answer in response to the answers filed by Central Power Electric Cooperative, Inc., Western Area Power Administration, and SPP. On September 6, 2017, Central Power Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed Comments in support of SPP's August 16, 2017 filing. On September 15, 2017, SPP filed an answer in response to the answer filed by Otter Tail Power Company on September 6, 2017.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-2044
FERC

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

On September 13, 2017, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective June 1, 2017 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2076

Transmission Interconnection Agreement between Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") and City of Gardner, Kansas ("Gardner"), with SPP as Signatory

On September 1, 2017, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective June 29, 2017 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2077

Transmission Interconnection Agreement between Pratt Energy, LLC ("Pratt"), Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC ("Mid-Kansas"), Ninnescah Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. ("Ninnescah") and Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("KEPCo"), with SPP as Signatory

On September 1, 2017, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective June 29, 2017 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2174

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") as both Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner

On September 12, 2017, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective July 1, 2017 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2180

Submission of Tariff Revisions Regarding Staggered Start Resources

On September 22, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's revisions to Attachment AE of the Tariff to address a cost recovery issue some SPP Market Participants have experienced by (1) adding the concept of Staggered Start Resources to the Tariff, (2) requiring an attestation from Market Participants to demonstrate that their Resources are subject to the types of limitations that would qualify them as Staggered Start Resources, and (3) modifying the Start-Up Offer cost recovery rules for Staggered Start Resources with Day-Ahead Market and Reliability Unit Commitment commitments by increasing their pre-commitment grace periods for synchronization status by one hour.

An effective date of October 1, 2017 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-2199
FERC

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

On September 14, 2017, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective July 1, 2017 as requested.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2216

Submission of Revisions to Attachment AD of the Tariff to Extend the 2014 Tariff Administration Agreement with Southwestern Power Administration ("Southwestern")

On September 25, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's revisions to Attachment AD of the Tariff to extend the Tariff Administration Agreement governing SPP's relationship with the Southwestern Power Administration through March 31, 2018.

An effective date of October 1, 2017 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2229

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Change the Frequency of the Regional Cost Allocation Review ("RCAR")

On September 20, 2017, SPP filed an answer in response to the protest filed by Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC on August 23, 2017.

On September 29, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's revisions to Section III.D.1 of Attachment J to change the frequency of the Regional Cost Allocation Review.

An effective date of October 1, 2017 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2256

Cost Allocation for Proposed Transmission Projects (Part 1 of 2) - Brookline Reactor Project and Morgan Transformer Project

On September 12, 2017, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed an answer in response to the protest filed by Xcel Energy Services Inc.

On September 12, 2017, City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri filed an answer in response to the protest filed by Xcel Energy Services Inc.

On September 12, 2017, SPP filed an answer to the protests filed by Xcel Energy Services Inc. and Westar Energy, Inc.

SPP stated:

- 1) the Morgan Transformer Project is justified under precedent established by the Commission and by the record;
- 2) contrary to Xcel, the Commission should not default to SPP's Highway/Byway as the appropriate cost allocation methodology for the Morgan Transformer Project;
- 3) Xcel raises process issues that are not relevant to the proposed cost allocation of the Morgan Transformer Project;
- 4) the 16 percent levelized fixed charge rate is just and reasonable.

On September 27, 2017, Xcel Energy Services Inc. filed an answer in response to the answers filed on September 12, 2017.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-2257
FERC

Cost Allocation for Proposed Transmission Projects (Part 2 of 2) - Brookline Reactor Project and Morgan Transformer Project

On September 12, 2017, SPP filed an answer to the protests filed by Xcel Energy Services Inc. and Westar Energy, Inc.

SPP stated:

- 1) the Morgan Transformer Project is justified under precedent established by the Commission and by the record;
- 2) contrary to Xcel, the Commission should not default to SPP's Highway/Byway as the appropriate cost allocation methodology for the Morgan Transformer Project;
- 3) Xcel raises process issues that are not relevant to the proposed cost allocation of the Morgan Transformer Project;
- 4) the 16 percent levelized fixed charge rate is just and reasonable.

On September 12, 2017, City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri filed an answer in response to the protest filed by Xcel Energy Services Inc.

On September 12, 2017, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed an answer in response to the protest filed by Xcel Energy Services Inc.

On September 27, 2017, Xcel Energy Services Inc. filed an answer in response to the answers filed on September 12, 2017.

ER17-2288

Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company's ("OG&E") Submission of Tariff Revisions to Update Depreciation Rates in its Formula Rate

On September 26, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company's revised tariff sheets to update the depreciation rates contained in its Open Access Transmission Tariff and the section of SPP's Tariff applicable to transmission service utilizing OG&E's facilities, each of which includes OG&E's Commission-approved formula rate on file as Attachment H to the OG&E Tariff and Addendum 2-A to Attachment H of the SPP Tariff.

An effective date of June 1, 2017 was granted.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2294

Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s ("MISO") Filing of the Transmission Interconnection Agreement between East River Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("East River") and Northern States Power Company ("NSPM"), with MISO and SPP as Signatories

On September 25, 2017, FERC issued a letter order accepting the agreement, effective November 1, 2017 as requested. MISO Service Agreement No. 3034.

This order constitutes final agency action.

ER17-2312

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Remove Day-Ahead Limited Must-Offer Requirement

On September 5, 2017, the SPP Market Monitoring Unit filed a Motion to Intervene and Comments. The MMU stated that while it agrees with the removal of the day-ahead must-offer requirement, it respectfully requests the Commission approve removal for an interim period of 18 months and require a filing of a report at the end of the interim period. The MMU also stated that if it identifies a marked increase in physical withholding, the MMU, after consultation with SPP, will request that the Commission immediately reinstate the must-offer requirement provisions in SPP's Tariff.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-2312
FERC

On September 5, 2017, Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene, Comments and Protest. Golden Spread stated that the Commission should consider whether the elimination of the limited must offer requirement is just and reasonable in the absence of corresponding changes to the physical withholding rules.

Several parties filed Motions to Intervene.

On September 20, 2017, SPP filed an answer in response to the protest filed by Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. on September 5, 2017.

ER17-2388

Joint Request for Limited Tariff Waiver of Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") and Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP")

On September 20, 2017, Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene and Comments in Support.

On September 20, 2017, Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC and Sunflower Electric Power Corporation filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER17-2441

Generator Interconnection Agreement ("GIA") between Milligan 1 Wind LLC ("Milligan") as Interconnection Customer and Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD") as Transmission Owner

On September 7, 2017, SPP submitted an executed GIA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Milligan 1 Wind LLC as Interconnection Customer, and Nebraska Public Power District as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 3356.

An effective date of August 24, 2017 was requested.

ER17-2442

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

On September 7, 2017, SPP submitted an executed GIA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Monument Road Wind LLC as Interconnection Customer, and Nebraska Public Power District as Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. 3357.

An effective date of August 24, 2017 was requested.

ER17-2454

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 11, 2017, SPP filed an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider and Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with American Electric Power Service Corporation, as agent for Southwestern Electric Power Company and Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, as Host Transmission Owners. SPP Service Agreement No. Thirteenth Revised 1518.

An effective date of September 1, 2017 was requested.

ER17-2495

Request for Approval to Reprice the Fort Calhoun Settlement Location

On September 15, 2017, SPP filed a Request for Approval to Reprice the Fort Calhoun Settlement Location from December 1, 2016 to December 14, 2016.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-2523
FERC

Submission of Tariff Revisions to Attachment Y, Section I.1 to Add a Competitive Project Minimum Threshold

On September 20, 2017, SPP submitted revisions to Attachment Y, Section I.1 of the Tariff to establish a minimum threshold to designate a Transmission Owner for a Competitive Upgrade using the Transmission Owner Selection Process.

An effective date of November 19, 2017 was requested.

On September 22, 2017, ITC Great Plains, LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 26, 2017, Westar Energy, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene.

ER17-2529

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") as Host Transmission Owner

On September 21, 2017, SPP filed an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider and Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with American Electric Power Service Corporation, as agent for Southwestern Electric Power Company, as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Second revised 2888.

An effective date of September 1, 2017 was requested.

ER17-2537

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 September 22, 2017, 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. Fifth Revised 1876.

An effective date of September 1, 2017 was requested.

ER17-2543

Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement ("NITSA") and Network Operating Agreement ("NOA") between SPP, Kansas Municipal Energy Agency ("KMEA") as Network Customer, and Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") as Host Transmission Owner and Notice of Cancellation of the NITSA and NOA between SPP and Westar as Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner

On September 22, 2017, SPP submitted an executed NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider, Kansas Municipal Energy Agency as Network Customer, as well as a NOA with Westar Energy, Inc. as Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Eighth Revised 2415.

SPP also filed a Notice of Cancellation of the NITSA between SPP as Transmission Provider and Westar Energy, Inc. as both Network Customer and Host Transmission Owner. SPP Service Agreement No. Fifth Revised 2390.

An effective date of September 1, 2017 was requested.

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Jurisdiction: FERC	ER17-2563	Submission of Ministerial Non-Substantive Tariff Revisions On September 29, 2017, SPP submitted a clean-up filing to make non-substantive corrections to certain sections of its Tariff. An effective date of December 1, 2017 was requested.
	ER17-2583	Informational Filing of True-Up and Final Reallocation of Revenue Requirements for the Balanced Portfolio On September 29, 2017, SPP submitted an informational filing to notify the Commission of the final reallocation and true-up of reallocated revenue requirements for the Balanced Portfolio in accordance with the process described in Attachments J and O of the Tariff.
	ER17-426	Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Denison Municipal Utilities ("DMU") On September 7, 2017, Judge Long issued an Order Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on October 27, 2017 for Docket No. ER17-428. The participants in Docket No. ER17-426 expect to file a formal offer of settlement by September 19, 2017. On September 15, 2017, FERC issued an Order Denying Rehearing in response to the rehearing request filed by Missouri River Energy Services on February 3, 2017. On September 19, 2017, SPP filed a Joint Offer of Settlement.
	ER17-428	Submission of Revenue Requirement, Formula Rate Template and Formula Rate Protocols for Vermillion Light & Power ("VLP") On September 7, 2017, Judge Long issued an Order Scheduling Settlement Conference to be held on October 27, 2017 for Docket No. ER17-428. The participants in Docket No. ER17-426 expect to file a formal offer of settlement by September 19, 2017. On September 15, 2017, FERC issued an Order Denying Rehearing in response to the rehearing request filed by Missouri River Energy Services on February 3, 2017.
	ER17-469	Submission of Tariff Revisions to Implement Changes to Midwest Energy, Inc.'s ("Midwest Energy") Formula Rate On September 5, 2017, Judge Brenner issued a Report by Settlement Judge, recommending that the settlement proceeding continue.
	ER17-520	Submission of Tariff Revisions to Add Language Specifying that All Resources that Are Dispatched to Zero by SPP Will be Exempt from the Real-Time Outage Reliability Unit Commitment Make Whole Payment On September 20, 2017, FERC issued an order accepting SPP's revisions to Section 8.6.7 to Attachment AE of the Tariff to add language to specify that all Resources that are dispatched to zero by SPP will be exempt from the Real-Time Outage Reliability Unit Commitment Make Whole Payment deviation charge. An effective date of March 1, 2017 was granted.

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Jurisdiction: ER17-772
FERC

Order No. 825 Compliance Filing

On September 20, 2017, FERC issued an Order on Compliance Filing, accepting SPP's Order No. 825 compliance filing, effective May 11, 2017, subject to a further compliance filing.

The Commission found that SPP's proposed revisions related to shortage pricing partially comply with the directives in Order No. 825 and accepted them subject to condition. The Commission rejected SPP's proposed revisions to Section 8.3.5 of Attachment AE that would create a demand curve to set scarcity prices for energy shortages. SPP was directed to submit a compliance filing to remove the proposed provisions in Section 8.3.5 of Attachment AE that would create the demand curve to set scarcity prices for energy shortages. Further, the Commission stated that its understanding is that the removal of the constraints and their associated Violation Relaxation Limits (VRLs) from Section 8.3.2 of Attachment AE is intended to facilitate the creation of a demand curve to set scarcity prices for energy shortages. To the extent that this is true, SPP was directed to reinsert them. Or if this is not the case, SPP was directed to explain why their removal complies with Order No. 825. SPP was also directed to remove proposed revisions to the definition of "Scarcity Pricing" which reference proposed Section 8.3.5 of Attachment AE.

SPP's compliance filing is due on October 20, 2017.

RM16-13

Balancing Authority Control, Inadvertent Interchange, and Facility Interconnection Reliability Standards

On September 20, 2017, FERC issued Order No. 836, approving Reliability Standards BAL-005-1 (Balancing Authority Control) and FAC-001-3 (Facility Interconnection Requirements).

This rule becomes effective November 27, 2017.

RM16-20

Remedial Action Schemes Reliability Standard

On September 20, 2017, FERC issued Order No. 837, approving Reliability Standard PRC-012-2 (Remedial Action Schemes).

This rule becomes effective November 27, 2017.

RM16-6

Essential Reliability Services and the Evolving Bulk-Power System-Primary Frequency Response

On September 7, 2017, FERC issued a Notice of Extension of Time, extending the deadline to file comments to and including October 10, 2017.

RM17-12

Emergency Preparedness and Operations Reliability Standards

On September 20, 2017, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to approve Emergency Preparedness and Operations Reliability Standards EOP-004-4 (Event Reporting), EOP-005-3 (System Restoration from Blackstart Resources), EOP-006-3 (System Restoration Coordination), and EOP-008-2 (Loss of Control Center Functionality).

Comments are due on November 27, 2017.

RM17-3

Fast-Start Pricing in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators

On September 28, 2017, the Secretary of Energy submitted a proposed Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the Commission's consideration and action.

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Jurisdiction:
State of Texas

46042 Application of Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") to Amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a 345-kV Transmission Line within Hale, Hockley, Lubbock, Terry and Yoakum Counties

On September 21, 2017, the State Office of Administrative Hearings issued an order approving Southwestern Public Service Company's Application to Amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a Proposed 345-kV Transmission Line within Hale, Hockley, Lubbock, Terry and Yoakum Counties.

47576 Application of the City of Lubbock Through Lubbock Power and Light ("LP&L") for Authority to Connect a Portion of its System with the Electric Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT")

On September 1, 2017, the City of Lubbock, through Lubbock Power and Light, filed an Application for Authority to Connect a Portion of Its System with the Electric Reliability Council of Texas.

On September 5, 2017, Southwestern Public Service Company filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 5, 2017, the PUCT issued Order No. 1, Requiring Commission Staff Comments and Recommendations and Entering Protective Order.

On September 6, 2017, Texas Industrial Energy Consumers filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 7, 2017, Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 7, 2017, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 7, 2017, the Office of Public Utility Counsel filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 11, 2017, SPP filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 15, 2017, the PUCT issued an Order Requesting List of Issues to be filed by September 20, 2017.

On September 18, 2017, Commission Staff filed its Recommendation on Application Sufficiency and Notice.

On September 19, 2017, the Alliance for Retail Markets filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 20, 2017, SPP filed its proposed List of Issues.

On September 20, 2017, Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC filed a Motion to Intervene.

On September 20, 2017, parties filed proposed List of Issues.

On September 21, 2017, the PUCT issued Order No. 4, Finding Application Sufficient, Requiring Notice, and Setting Deadlines. SPP and ERCOT are to file the Commission-requested studies previously filed in Project No. 45633 in this proceeding by October 2, 2017.

On September 22, 2017, Staff filed a draft preliminary order to be discussed at the September 28, 2017 open meeting.

On September 22, 2017, Texas Energy Association for Marketers filed a Motion to Intervene.

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Jurisdiction: 47576
State of Texas

On September 27, 2017, SPP filed its Exhibit Study Comprehensive report on the impact of Lubbock Power & Light proposed move to the Electric Reliability Counsel of Texas, Inc.

On September 28, 2017, the PUCT issued Order No. 5, Scheduling Prehearing Conference to be held on October 9, 2017.

On September 29, 2017, the PUCT issued a Preliminary Order.

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Jurisdiction:

United States

Court of

Appeals

15-1447

**State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas v. Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission: Petition for Review of Orders Issued in Docket
Nos. ER14-2850 and ER14-2851 Concerning Integration of the Integrated
System into the SPP Regional Transmission Organization**

On September 26, 2017, the court issued an order allotting times for the oral
argument scheduled for October 11, 2017.