

SPP
Notification to Construct

December 15, 2023

Mr. Jeremy Severson
Basin Electric Power Cooperative
1717 E. Interstate Ave.
Bismarck, ND 58503

RE: Notification to Construct Approved Reliability Network Upgrades

Dear Mr. Severson,

Pursuant to Section 3.3 of the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP") Membership Agreement and Attachments O and Y of the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT"), SPP provides this Notification to Construct ("NTC") directing Basin Electric Power Cooperative ("BEPC"), as the Designated Transmission Owner, to construct the Network Upgrades.

On October 31, 2023, the SPP Board of Directors approved the Network Upgrade(s) listed below to be constructed as part of 2023 ITP.

New Network Upgrades

Project ID: 92987

Project Name: Device - Broadland 345 kV Reactor

Need Date for Project: 4/1/2024

Estimated Cost for Project: \$5,445,170

Network Upgrade ID: 157375

Network Upgrade Name: Broadland 345 kV Reactor

Network Upgrade Description: Install 2nd 75 MVAR reactor at Broadland 345 kV substation

Network Upgrade Owner: BEPC

MOPC Representative(s): Jason Mazigian

TWG Representative(s): Phil Westby

Categorization: Regional Reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: Reactor must have a minimum rating of 75 MVAR

Network Upgrade Justification: 2023 ITP

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Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$5,445,170
Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan
Estimated Cost Source: BEPC
Date of Estimated Cost: 6/29/2023

Project ID: 94080**Project Name:** Device - Groton 345 kV Reactor**Need Date for Project:** 4/1/2024**Estimated Cost for Project:** \$5,162,152**Network Upgrade ID:** 158019**Network Upgrade Name:** Groton 345 kV Reactor**Network Upgrade Description:** Install 2nd 68 MVAR reactor at Groton 345 kV substation**Network Upgrade Owner:** BEPC**MOPC Representative(s):** Jason Mazigian**TWG Representative(s):** Phil Westby**Categorization:** Regional Reliability**Network Upgrade Specification:** Reactor must have minimum rating of 68 MVAR**Network Upgrade Justification:** 2023 ITP**Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars):** \$5,162,152**Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade:** Base Plan**Estimated Cost Source:** SPP**Date of Estimated Cost:** 6/29/2023

Commitment to Construct

Please provide to SPP a written commitment to construct the Network Upgrade(s) by March 14, 2024, in addition to providing a construction schedule and an updated -20% to +20% cost estimate, NTC Project Estimate, in the Standardized Cost Estimate Reporting Template for the Network Upgrade(s). Failure to provide a sufficient written commitment to construct as required by the SPP OATT could result in the Network Upgrade(s) being assigned to another entity.

Mitigation Plan

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

Notification of Commercial Operation

Please submit a notification of commercial operation for each listed Network Upgrade to SPP as soon as the Network Upgrade is complete and in-service. Please provide SPP with the actual

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costs of these Network Upgrades as soon as possible after completion of construction. This will facilitate the timely billing by SPP based on actual costs.

Notification of Progress

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

All terms and conditions of the SPP OATT and the SPP Membership Agreement shall apply to this project(s), and nothing in this letter shall vary such terms and conditions.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David Kelley".

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