

**SPP  
Notification to Construct**

December 15, 2023

Dr. Al Tamimi  
Sunflower Electric Power Corporation  
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RE: Notification to Construct Approved Economic Network Upgrades

Dear Dr. Tamimi,

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 Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("SEPC"), 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:** 92940**Project Name:** Device - Ellsworth Tap - Great Bend 115 kV Ckt 1 Structure Upgrade**Need Date for Project:** 1/1/2028**Estimated Cost for Project:** \$750,000**Network Upgrade ID:** 157186**Network Upgrade Name:** Ellsworth Tap - Great Bend 115 kV Ckt 1 Structure Upgrade**Network Upgrade Description:** Upgrade 25 structures of the 30.2 mile 115 kV line from Ellsworth Tap substation to Great Bend substation**Network Upgrade Owner:** SEPC**MOPC Representative(s):** Al Tamimi**TWG Representative(s):** Clifford Franklin**Categorization:** Economic**Network Upgrade Specification:** All elements and conductor to meet or exceed 106/113.9/117.5/117.5 (SN/SE/WN/WE) MVA rating**Network Upgrade Justification:** 2023 ITP**Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars):** \$750,000**Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade:** Base Plan**Estimated Cost Source:** SEPC**Date of Estimated Cost:** 6/16/2023

**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.

**Notification of Commercial Operation**

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

**Notification of Progress**

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

All terms and conditions of the SPP OATT and the SPP Membership Agreement shall apply to this project(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.

**SPP-NTC-220751**

Sincerely,



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