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SPP
Notification to Construct with Conditions

April 12, 2024

Mr. Blake Poole
Evergy Metro, Inc.
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RE: Notification to Construct with Conditions Approved Reliability Network Upgrades

Dear Mr. Poole,

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 with conditions ("NTC-C") directing Evergy Metro, Inc. ("EM"), as the Designated Transmission Owner, to construct the Network Upgrades. This NTC-C is conditioned upon EM not ordering materials or beginning construction until:

(1) the DTO submits a refined NTC-C Project Estimate ("CPE") to SPP that has a variance bandwidth of -20% to +20% that does not exceed the Study Estimate variance bandwidth of -30% to +30% as provided for in SPP's Business Practices; or

(2) the SPP Board of Directors considers SPP's re-evaluation of a project that has a refined CPE from the DTO that exceeds the Study Estimate variance bandwidth of -30% to +30% as provided for in SPP's Business Practices.

On February 6, 2024, 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: 94134

Project Name: Multi - Atlantic - Craig - West Gardener 345/115 kV

Need Date for Project: 6/1/2027

Estimated Cost for Project: \$35,961,869 (this project cost reflects Network Upgrades not included in this NTC)

Network Upgrade ID: 158641

Network Upgrade Name: Atlantic Substation 345 kV

Network Upgrade Description: Build a new 345 kV substation at the new intersection of West Gardner-Craig and Atlantic-Eudora Township.

Network Upgrade Owner: EM

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MOPC Representative(s): Mo Awad, Derek Brown, Jim Flucke, Kelli Merwald

TWG Representative(s): Derek Brown

Categorization: Regional Reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor must have at least an emergency rating of 435 MVA.

Network Upgrade Justification: 2023 ITP

Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$13,972,613

Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan

Estimated Cost Source: SPP

Date of Estimated Cost: 10/31/2023

Network Upgrade ID: 158646

Network Upgrade Name: West Gardner - Craig 345 kV

Network Upgrade Description: Extend the existing West Gardner - Craig 345 kV line 10.3 miles to intersect with the Atlantic – Eudora Township 115 kV line.

Network Upgrade Owner: EM

MOPC Representative(s): Mo Awad, Derek Brown, Jim Flucke, Kelli Merwald

TWG Representative(s): Derek Brown

Categorization: Regional Reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor must achieve 1183/1195/1195/1195 (SN/SE/WN/WE) MVA rating.

Network Upgrade Justification: 2023 ITP

Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$483,360

Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan

Estimated Cost Source: SPP

Date of Estimated Cost: 10/31/2023

Network Upgrade ID: 159064

Network Upgrade Name: Atlantic 345 kV Terminal Equipment

Network Upgrade Description: Install 345 kV terminal equipment to support 345/115 transformer at Atlantic 345 kV substation

Network Upgrade Owner: EM

MOPC Representative(s): Mo Awad, Derek Brown, Jim Flucke, Kelli Merwald

TWG Representative(s): Derek Brown

Categorization: Regional Reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor to meet or exceed 435/435/435/435 (SN/SE/WN/WE) MVA rating

Network Upgrade Justification: 2023 ITP

Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$3,562,687

Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan

Estimated Cost Source: SPP

Date of Estimated Cost: 2/6/2024

Commitment to Construct

Please provide to SPP a written commitment to construct the Network Upgrade(s) by July 11, 2024. 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.

CPE

Please provide SPP a CPE by the earlier of 1) four months in advance of the start of the next Integrated Transmission Plan Assessment (ITP) or 2) October 9, 2024, as described in SPP's Business Practice No. 7060 regarding Notification to Construct with Conditions. Please also include a construction schedule with your CPE. EM shall advise SPP of any inability to provide the CPE by the date specified, as soon as the inability becomes apparent. This due date may change as a result of the final outcome of the FERC docket related to the Tariff changes to implement the revised ITP process.

Removal of Conditions

Upon notice by SPP of removal of the conditions contained in this NTC, SPP will issue the DTO a new NTC and the following will be applicable:

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 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 EM's part to complete the approved Network Upgrade(s). For project tracking, SPP requires EM's to submit status updates of the Network Upgrade(s) quarterly in conjunction with the SPP Board of Directors meetings. However, EM 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,



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