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**SPP
Notification to Construct**

December 13, 2024

Mr. Andrew Berg
Missouri River Energy Services
3724 W Avera Dr
Sioux Falls, SD 57109-8920

RE: Notification to Construct Approved Reliability Network Upgrades

Dear Mr. Berg,

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 Missouri River Energy Services ("MRES"), as the Designated Transmission Owner, on behalf of Watertown Municipal Utilities ("WMU") to construct the Network Upgrades.

On October 29, 2024, the SPP Board of Directors approved the Network Upgrade(s) listed below to be constructed as part of 2024 ITP.

New Network Upgrades

Project ID: 94667

Project Name: Line - 15th Ave - Watertown 115 kV Rebuild

Need Date for Project: 6/1/2031

Estimated Cost for Project: \$2,158,980

Network Upgrade ID: 159464

Network Upgrade Name: Watertown - 15th Ave 115 kV Ckt 1 Rebuild

Network Upgrade Description: Rebuild 1.4-mile Ckt 1 line from 15th Ave 115 kV substation to Watertown 115 kV substation and upgrade any necessary terminal equipment to achieve a summer emergency rating of 239 MVA.

Network Upgrade Owner: MRES

MOPC Representative(s): Terry Wolf

TWG Representative(s): Andrew Berg

Categorization: Regional Reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor to meet or exceed 239/239/239/239 (SN/SE/WN/WE) MVA rating

Network Upgrade Justification: 2024 ITP

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Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$1,388,314
Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan
Estimated Cost Source: SPP
Date of Estimated Cost: 6/27/2024

Network Upgrade ID: 159466
Network Upgrade Name: 15th Ave 115 kV Ckt 1 Terminal Upgrade
Network Upgrade Description: Install any necessary terminal equipment at 15th Ave 115 kV substation to support the line from 15th Ave 115 kV substation to Watertown 115 kV substation with a summer emergency rating of 239 MVA.
Network Upgrade Owner: MRES
MOPC Representative(s): Terry Wolf
TWG Representative(s): Andrew Berg
Categorization: Regional Reliability
Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor to meet or exceed 239/239/239/239 (SN/SE/WN/WE) MVA rating
Network Upgrade Justification: 2024 ITP
Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$385,333
Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan
Estimated Cost Source: SPP
Date of Estimated Cost: 6/27/2024

Network Upgrade ID: 159465
Network Upgrade Name: Watertown 115 kV Ckt 1 Terminal Upgrade
Network Upgrade Description: Install any necessary terminal equipment at Watertown 115 kV substation to support the line from Watertown 115 kV substation to 15th Ave 115 kV substation with a summer emergency rating of 239 MVA.
Network Upgrade Owner: MRES
MOPC Representative(s): Terry Wolf
TWG Representative(s): Andrew Berg
Categorization: Regional Reliability
Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor to meet or exceed 239/239/239/239 (SN/SE/WN/WE) MVA rating
Network Upgrade Justification: 2024 ITP
Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$385,333
Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan
Estimated Cost Source: SPP
Date of Estimated Cost: 6/18/2024

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Commitment to Construct

Please provide to SPP a written commitment to construct the Network Upgrade(s) by March 13, 2025. 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.

Project Schedule and In Service Date

In addition to a written commitment to construct, please provide a detailed project schedule, updated $\pm 20\%$ NTC Project Estimate, and an Estimated In-Service Date in the Standardized Cost Estimate Reporting Template for the Network Upgrade(s).

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 MRES's part to complete the approved Network Upgrade(s). For project tracking, SPP requires MRES's to submit status updates of the Network Upgrade(s) quarterly in conjunction with the SPP Board of Directors meetings. However, MRES shall also advise SPP of any inability to comply with the Project In-Service Date as soon as the inability becomes apparent, and no later than 45 days before the First Reported In-Service Date agreed to upon acceptance of the NTC.

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 black ink that reads "Casey Cathey".

Casey Cathey

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