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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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In Reply Refer To:  
Southwest Power Pool, Inc.  
Docket Nos. ER13-1937-000 & ER13-1939-000;

Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.  
Docket Nos. ER13-1938-000 & ER13-1945-000;

Entergy Services, Inc.  
Docket No. ER13-1955-000;

Cleco Power LLC  
Docket No. ER13-1956-000

Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.  
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Dear Mr. Dorsett and Ms. Marcussen:

1. On April 2, 2015, you submitted on behalf of Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) and Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) a joint motion for a 120-day extension of time (Motion) to respond to the Commission's February 19, 2015 Order,<sup>1</sup> which addressed MISO's and SPP's proposal to comply with the interregional

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<sup>1</sup> *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*, 150 FERC ¶ 61,093 (2015) (February 19, 2015 Order). The Commission accepted MISO and SPP's filings effective March 30, 2014, subject to modifications. *Id.* P 31.

transmission coordination and cost allocation requirements of Order No. 1000.<sup>2</sup> MISO and SPP state that the requested extension of time will allow MISO and SPP to continue to work together and with their respective transmission owners and stakeholders to develop a compliance approach that is acceptable to MISO and SPP, their stakeholders, and the Commission.<sup>3</sup>

2. Upon consideration, we grant MISO and SPP's Motion and extend the deadline to and including August 18, 2015 for MISO and SPP to submit their filings to comply with the February 19, 2015 Order.

3. We also take this opportunity to confirm that, in the February 19, 2015 Order, it was the Commission's intent, in accepting MISO and SPP's proposed March 30, 2014 effective date,<sup>4</sup> that MISO and SPP would implement their proposed revisions accepted therein together with the further tariff revisions MISO and SPP will submit in their filings to comply with the February 19, 2015 Order. As the Commission has previously indicated, it is not necessary to delay the implementation of tariff revisions until every issue in an Order No. 1000 compliance proceeding is resolved.<sup>5</sup> Moreover, we note that Order No. 1000 found that "inadequate transmission planning and cost allocation requirements may be impeding the development of beneficial transmission lines or resulting in inefficient and overlapping transmission development due to a lack of

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<sup>2</sup> *Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities*, Order No. 1000, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,323 (2011), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 1000-A, 139 FERC ¶ 61,132, *order on reh'g and clarification*, Order No. 1000-B, 141 FERC ¶ 61,044 (2012), *aff'd sub nom. S.C. Pub. Serv. Auth. v. FERC*, 762 F.3d 41 (D.C. Cir. 2014).

<sup>3</sup> Motion at 3.

<sup>4</sup> *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*, 150 FERC ¶ 61,093 at P 31 (finding the March 30, 2014 effective date reasonable because the Commission has sufficiently addressed SPP's and MISO's regional Order No. 1000 compliance filing to allow SPP's and MISO's respective regional transmission planning and cost allocation provisions to be implemented in conjunction with the interregional transmission coordination procedures proposed in the interregional coordination and cost allocation proceedings).

<sup>5</sup> *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, 142 FERC ¶ 61,214, at P 32 (2013); *Louisville Gas & Elec. Co.*, 144 FERC ¶ 61,054, at P 31 (2013). *See also Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo.*, 142 FERC ¶ 61,206, at P 28 (2013) (finding that the filing parties had not justified delaying implementation of the compliance filings until every issue in the proceeding has been resolved).

coordination. . . .”<sup>6</sup> Given this finding, it would be inappropriate for MISO and SPP to delay implementation of the Order No. 1000 interregional transmission coordination and cost allocation processes.<sup>7</sup>

By direction of the Commission. Commissioner Honorable is not participating.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,  
Deputy Secretary.

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<sup>6</sup> Order No. 1000, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,323 at P 43.

<sup>7</sup> See *PacifiCorp*, 145 FERC ¶ 61,060, at P 6 (2013) (rejecting a request to suspend a previously accepted effective date and stating that it was the Commission’s intent in accepting the effective date that parties would implement the proposed revisions the Commission accepted together with proposed tariff revisions parties submitted in a subsequent compliance filing).