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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

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In Reply Refer To:
Midcontinent Independent System
Operator, Inc.
Docket No. ER14-2022-002

Midcontinent Independent System
Operator, Inc.
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Attention: Michael Blackwell

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

1. On October 15, 2015, the Commission issued an order in this docket granting Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) an extension of a waiver of certain provisions of its Open Access Transmission, Energy and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff (Tariff), and of certain North American Energy Standards Board standards relating to the processing of long-term firm transmission service requests (TSR).¹ In the Waiver Extension Order, the Commission stated that the waiver extension would be effective through the earlier of April 1, 2016 or the resolution of the dispute between MISO and Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) in Docket No. ER14-1174-000, *et al.* (the MISO-SPP JOA Proceeding).²

2. SPP and other parties³ filed an Offer of Settlement⁴ to resolve the dispute in the MISO-SPP JOA Proceeding and requested an effective date of February 1, 2016. On

¹ *Midcontinent Indep. Sys. Operator, Inc.*, 153 FERC ¶ 61,063 (2015) (Waiver Extension Order).

² *Id.* P 1.

³ The parties include SPP, MISO, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company and Mississippi Power Company, by and through their agent Southern Company Services, Inc., the Tennessee

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January 21, 2016, the Commission approved the Offer of Settlement, effective February 1, 2016.⁵

3. On December 21, 2015, MISO submitted a request that the Commission terminate the waiver extension granted in the Waiver Extension Order that allowed MISO to continue to suspend processing certain long-term firm TSRs as outlined in the Tariff (Request to Terminate Waiver). MISO requests that the waiver extension be terminated on February 1, 2016.⁶

4. Notice of MISO's Request to Terminate Waiver was published in the *Federal Register*, 80 Fed. Reg. 81,309 (2015), with interventions and protests due on or before January 11, 2016. None was filed.

5. Because the Commission has approved the Offer of Settlement in the MISO-SPP JOA Proceeding, the waiver granted in the Waiver Extension Order terminates on February 1, 2016, and MISO is directed to resume processing long-term firm TSRs in accordance with its Tariff.

By direction of the Commission.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

Valley Authority, Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company and PowerSouth Energy Cooperative. NRG Energy, Inc. is also considered a party for the purposes of the Offer of Settlement's Articles IV and XIV only.

⁴ SPP, Offer of Settlement, Docket No. ER14-1174-000, *et al.* (filed Oct. 13, 2015).

⁵ *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*, 154 FERC ¶ 61,021 (2016).

⁶ MISO, Request to Terminate Waiver, Docket No. ER14-2022-002 (filed Dec. 21, 2015).