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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

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In Reply Refer To:
Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Docket No. ER20-945-002

Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
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Little Rock, AR 72223

Attention: Justin A. Hinton, Attorney

Reference: Compliance Filing

Dear Mr. Hinton:

1. On August 31, 2020, as amended on November 20, 2020, SPP submitted revisions to its Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff) in compliance with a directive in a Commission order issued on June 30, 2020 regarding affected system generation coordination procedures in SPP's Tariff.¹
2. In the June Order, the Commission directed SPP to revise its Tariff to state the location in its business practice manuals or other coordination documents where interconnection customers may find the modeling details that SPP uses when studying a project as Energy Resource Interconnection Service (ERIS) or Network Resource Interconnection Service (NRIS), for interconnection requests on its own system.² In its August 31, 2020 filing, SPP proposes revisions to section 3.2 in its generator interconnection procedures (GIP), contained in Attachment V in its Tariff, to reference section 19 in the "Guidelines for the SPP GIP Process and Business Practices" document, in order to comply with the directive in the June Order.
3. Notice of the August 31, 2020 filing was published in the *Federal Register*, 85 Fed. Reg. 55,675 (Sept. 9, 2020), with interventions and protests due on or before

¹ *Sw. Power Pool, Inc.*, 171 FERC ¶ 61,279 (2020) (June Order).

² *Id.* PP 2, 9.

September 21, 2020. On September 9, 2020, American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEP) filed a timely motion to intervene.

4. On October 30, 2020, Commission staff issued a letter informing SPP that its filing was deficient and requested additional information. SPP submitted its response on November 20, 2020. Notice of SPP's deficiency response was published in the *Federal Register*, 85 Fed. Reg. 76,070 (Nov. 27, 2020), with interventions and protests due on or before December 11, 2020. None was filed.

5. Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2020), AEP's timely, unopposed motion to intervene serves to make it a party to this proceeding.

6. In its deficiency response, SPP states that its proposed reference to section 19 was incorrect and proposes revisions to change the reference to sections 4 and 6 in the "Guidelines for the SPP GIP Process and Business Practices" document. SPP further states that upon issuance of an order by the Commission, it commits to submitting a compliance filing to include this change in section 3.2 of Attachment V in its Tariff.³

7. We find that the Tariff revisions SPP filed, including the further revisions it proposed in its deficiency response, comply with the directive in the June Order. Accordingly, we accept SPP's filing, effective April 4, 2020, consistent with the effective date granted in the June Order,⁴ subject to SPP submitting a further compliance filing, to revise GIP section 3.2 in Attachment V of its Tariff to reference sections 4 and 6 in the "Guidelines for the SPP GIP Process and Business Practices" document, as it commits to in its deficiency response, within 30 days of the date of this order.

By direction of the Commission.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

³ Deficiency Response at 2-3.

⁴ June Order, 171 FERC ¶ 61,279 at P 9.