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**SPP
Notification to Construct**

June 10, 2020

Mr. Dale L. Haugen
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RE: Notification to Construct Approved Reliability Network Upgrades

Dear Mr. Haugen,

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 Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative ("MWE"), as the Designated Transmission Owner, to construct the Network Upgrade(s).

On February 19, 2019, SPP concluded that the Network Upgrade(s) below are required on the MWE system to fulfill delivery point addition request(s) as detailed in the Delivery Point Network Study DPA-2018-August-918. On September 27, 2019, SPP received all executed Transmission Service Agreements associated with DPA-2018-August-918.

SPP Issued NTC-C 210532 on October 17, 2019. On March 11, 2020, SPP received MWE's NTC-C Project Estimates ("CPE") for Network Upgrades specified in the NTC-C. SPP has reviewed the CPEs and determined that requirements of Condition No. 1 of the NTC have been met.

New Network Upgrades

Project ID: 81614

Project Name: Multi - Naset - New Town 230 kV

Need Date for Project: 6/1/2019

Estimated Cost for Project: \$76,505,730 (this project cost contains Network Upgrades not included in this NTC)

Network Upgrade ID: 122571

Network Upgrade Name: Northshore - New Town 115 kV Ckt 1

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Network Upgrade Description: Build new 20 mile 115 kV line from Northshore to New Town.

Network Upgrade Owner: MWE

MOPC Representative(s): Dale L. Haugen

TWG Representative: N/A

Categorization: Regional Reliability

Network Upgrade Specification: All elements and conductor must have at least an emergency rating of 240 MVA.

Network Upgrade Justification: DPA-2018-August-918

Estimated Cost for Network Upgrade (current day dollars): \$19,235,485

Cost Allocation of the Network Upgrade: Base Plan

Estimated Cost Source: SPP

Date of Estimated Cost: 1/21/2020

Commitment to Construct

Please provide to SPP a written commitment to construct the Network Upgrade(s) within 90 days of the date of this NTC. Also, please provide a construction schedule in the Standardized Cost Estimate Reporting Template for the Network Upgrade(s). 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.

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 MWE's part to complete the approved Network Upgrade(s). For project tracking, SPP requires MWE to submit status updates

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of the Network Upgrade(s) quarterly in conjunction with the SPP Board of Directors meetings. However, MWE 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, and nothing in this NTC shall vary such terms and conditions.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or comments regarding these instructions. Thank you for the important role that you play in maintaining the reliability of our electric grid.

Sincerely,



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