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INFORMATIONAL FILING ONLY

December 1, 2023

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Room 1A-East
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Re: Southwestern Public Service Company
Informational Filing: 2022 Transmission Formula Rate Annual Update
Per Attachment O-SPS Protocols
Docket Nos. ER08-313-000 *et al.*

Dear Secretary Bose:

Pursuant to the Formula Rate Implementation Procedures (“Protocols”) included as Appendix 1 to Attachment O-SPS to the Xcel Energy Operating Companies Joint Open Access Transmission Tariff (“Xcel Energy Tariff”), Southwestern Public Service Company (“SPS”) hereby submits, as an informational filing, the Annual Update of its Transmission Formula Rate. The Annual Update informational filing submitted herein includes the calculation of the 2024 SPS estimated Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement (“ATRR”), 2022 ATRR true-up, and charges for transmission service on the SPS system for the upcoming rate year (January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024). The Annual Update also includes SPS’s Base Plan Upgrade (“BPU”) revenue requirement, which includes the costs of BPU facilities recovered regionally under Schedule 11 to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (“SPP”) Open Access Transmission Tariff (“SPP OATT”).

This submission is provided to the Commission for informational purposes only. This submission is not intended to be subject to the Commission’s notice requirements, and the Commission need not take any action in response to this informational filing.

Background

SPS is a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of New Mexico with its principal office in Amarillo, Texas. SPS is a wholly owned utility operating company subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc. (“Xcel Energy”) engaged in, *inter alia*, the generation, purchase, transmission, distribution, and/or sale of electricity in portions of Texas, New Mexico,

Oklahoma, and Kansas. SPS is a transmission-owning member of the SPP. Transmission service over the SPS transmission system has been available under the SPP OATT since June 2000.

Under Attachment O-SPS of the Xcel Energy OATT, the ATRR for the SPS pricing zone (Zone 11 to the SPP Tariff) is posted on the SPS OASIS and reflected in Attachment H of the SPP OATT, and forms the basis for billing Network Integration Transmission Service (“NITS”) customers and deriving the unit charges for Point-to-Point (“PTP”) transmission service to load located in the SPS pricing zone under both the Xcel Energy OATT and the SPP Regional OATT. The ATRR for the BPU Revenue Requirement is also posted on the SPS OASIS and reflected in Attachment H of the SPP OATT and is incorporated in SPP regional transmission charges under Schedule 11 to the SPP OATT.

This Informational Filing

Pursuant to the Protocols, SPS hereby submits, as an informational filing, the Annual Update of its transmission formula rate for the upcoming 2024 rate year starting January 1, 2024. Pursuant to the Protocols, SPS posted, and distributed to its transmission customers, an Annual Update on September 29, 2023 and an additional update on December 1, 2023. SPS convened a meeting with affected customers on October 17, 2023. This submission is provided for informational purposes only.

Communications

XES requests that all correspondence and communications with respect to this informational filing be sent to the following:

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Conclusion

SPS will post a copy of this transmittal letter on the transmission page of the Xcel Energy Inc. website (www.transmission.xcelenergy.com), the Xcel OASIS & OATT, and the SPP Member Related postings page so SPS and SPP OATT customers are aware of the informational

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filing. SPS will also electronically serve a courtesy copy of this transmittal letter on all parties to Docket No. ER08-313-000 et al. to notify them of the informational filing. Please direct any questions regarding this informational filing to the undersigned at (806) 378-2424 or Mr. Wesley Berger at (806) 378-2891.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Casey Settles

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Attachments:

12-01-2023---Attachment O-SPS 2024 Rate Projected R1 in PDF
12-01-2023---Attachment O-SPS 2024 Rate Projected R1 in Excel
12-01-2023---Attachment O-SPS 2022 Rate Actual R2 in PDF
12-01-2023---Attachment O-SPS 2022 Rate Actual R2 in Excel
10-2023---Customer Variance Packet 2024 Projection in PDF
10-2023---Material Accounting Changes-Transmission in PDF
10-2023---Actuarial Report in PDF
2023.06.15 - Radial Line Study Spreadsheet 2022_True-Up_ in PDF
10-2023---Supporting Documents in PDF