



April 30, 2024

Nancy Dippell, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: EA-2022-0234
NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC

Dear Hon. Dippell:

Pursuant to the December 8, 2022 *Order Approving Settlement* issued in Docket No. EA-2022-0234 (“Order”), NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC (“NEET Southwest”) hereby submits its quarterly update on the construction progress of the NEET Southwest Wolf Creek-Blackberry 345 kV Transmission Project that spans Barton and Jasper counties in Missouri, as well as five counties in Kansas (“Project”).

GENERAL OVERVIEW

NEET Southwest has continued to advance the development of the Project in the first quarter of 2024. NEET Southwest is continuing to finalize land acquisition activities, as well as negotiation of necessary agreements with affected counties. NEET Southwest’s primary efforts in the first quarter of 2024 have included:

- Completed voluntary negotiations with landowners.
- Executed all Road Use Agreements with all counties in Missouri impacted by the Project.
- Completed the Transmission Interconnection Agreement with Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“AECI”) and Southwest Power Pool (“SPP”).
- Continued to negotiate Transmission Interconnection Agreements with Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. (“Evergy”).
- Worked on a joint operation agreement with Evergy and AECI.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

NEET Southwest's estimated in-service date for the Project has been adjusted from January 1, 2025 to July 15, 2025, to adjust for the additional time required to perform its analysis of the potential co-location option as part of its Kansas Corporation Commission line siting proceeding and to coordinate construction with other timing constraints. NEET Southwest continues to utilize an experienced team made up of internal and external subject matter experts to develop and execute the Project.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS UPDATE

NEET Southwest has completed the first round of tree clearing (along approximately 80% of the route) as of March 31, 2024. NEET Southwest expects to mobilize and commence construction in earnest in the second quarter of 2024 with a completion date of July 15, 2025.

REGULATORY UPDATE

FERC

NEET Southwest has not made any filings with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") in the first quarter 2024.

Southwest Power Pool

NEET Southwest has signed a Transmission Interconnection Agreement with AECl and SPP for interconnection of the Project to the Blackberry Substation in Missouri. NEET Southwest is continuing to negotiate a Transmission Interconnection Agreement with Evergy and SPP for interconnection to the Wolf Creek Substation in Kansas. On April 30, 2024, NEET Southwest notified SPP that the expected in-service date for the Project has shifted from January 1, 2025 to July 15, 2025.

Agreements with Missouri Jurisdictional Public Utilities

NEET Southwest has executed a crossing agreement with Barton County Cooperative and, as stated above, has executed a Transmission Interconnection Agreement with AECl.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Project Budget – Highly Confidential

The following is the estimated total budget for the Project. These estimates are subject to change as the Project continues to advance, including conducting engineering and determining the timing of materials procurement and construction planning.

The current total estimate for the Project [REDACTED].

Spend to Date – Highly Confidential

As of April 1, 2024, NEET Southwest has spent a total of approximately [REDACTED] on the development of the Project, which includes [REDACTED].

Cost Category	Amount Expected to Have Been Spent to Date	Amount Spent to Date	Explanation of Increase and/or Decrease in Budget
Total costs	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

LAND UPDATE AND LANDOWNER COMMUNICATIONS

Easements Obtained

As of April 30, 2024, NEET Southwest has obtained the following numbers of parcels in Kansas and Missouri:

State	Obtained	Total Parcels	Percentage Obtained
Kansas	246	257	95.7%
Missouri	21	26	80.8%
Total	257	283	90.8%

Landowner Contacts and Communications

NEET Southwest’s land representatives from Doyle Land Services (“Doyle”), working on behalf of NEET Southwest, have been contacting landowners directly by phone and email, as well as through in-person meetings at the request of the landowner, to advance easement negotiations and sign easement agreements. NEET Southwest’s internal land agents have also coordinated with Doyle to meet directly with landowners when requested.

NEET Southwest is reviewing final micro-siting requests from remaining landowners. Through its discussions with landowners, NEET Southwest has identified areas where minor route alterations are feasible and landowner requests can be accommodated. NEET Southwest and landowners have found mutually agreeable solutions to the extent reasonable (e.g., to adjust financial terms, easement language, or pole placement).

Landowners have also raised questions about how potential damages to crop- and pastureland and loss of use of agricultural land will be compensated. NEET Southwest has incorporated crop and pasture compensation clauses into landowner easement agreements to reimburse landowners for damage or loss of acreage.

NEET Southwest continues to monitor landowner questions and concerns via the Project hotline. The hotline messages are forwarded to land agents to reach out directly to the landowners with additional follow-up from NEET Southwest personnel as needed.

COUNTY AGREEMENTS AND OUTREACH

NEET Southwest has executed Road Use Agreements with Jasper and Barton County in Missouri. NEET Southwest continues to visit the counties and their commissioners to keep them apprised of status of the Project.

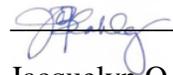
AFFILIATE CONTRACTS

NEET Southwest has not entered any new affiliate contracts related to operations, maintenance, and reliability.

CONCLUSION

Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions.

Thank you,



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