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APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR (1)
RECONCILIATION OF ITS FUEL COSTS
FOR 2002 AND 2003; (2) A FINDING OF
SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES; AND (3)
RELATED RELIEF

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION** 

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## OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITY COUNSEL'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

The Office of Public Utility Counsel stipulates that the following supplemental response(s) to SPS's 2<sup>nd</sup> request(s) for information may be treated by all parties as if the answers were filed under oath. These supplemental responses relate to the testimony of Eileen Pitchford.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **QUESTION No. 1-1:**

Refer to the Direct Testimony of Eileen Pitchford. Please provide all information, documentation, etc. relied on by Ms. Pitchford regarding the claim made on page 9, lines 6 through 9, that "The coal-fired units were not added solely to meet growing demand on the SPS system. These units were also intended to provide generation with a fuel supply with lower price volatility and lower costs than natural gas."

#### **RESPONSE:**

As indicated in response to Question 1 of SPS's Second RFI to OPC, Ms. Pitchford realized that she needed to supplement her response to Question 2 of SPS's First RFI to OPC to include the response to COA 5-16. As a result of her oversight, Ms. Pitchford again reviewed SPS responses to discovery and found that she had also directly relied upon other responses to SPS discovery. Accordingly, the RFI list in OPC's response to SPS Question 1-2 should be supplemented to include the following RFI's.

SPS1-2, RFI List (Supplement 1)

Responses, including any supplemental responses to

OPC's Questions 3-7, 3-9, 3-10, 3-11, 3-12, 3-13

COA's Questions 1-27, 5-16

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I certify that on December 13, 2004, I served a true copy of the foregoing Office of Public Utility Counsel's Supplemental Response To Southwestern Public Service Company's Second Request For Information on all parties of record via United States First-Class Mail, hand-delivery or facsimile.

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