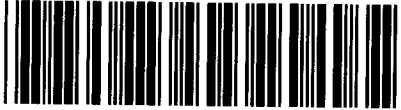




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Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") files this response to Office of Public Utility Counsel's ("OPUC") First Request for Information Question No. 1-1.

**I. WRITTEN RESPONSES**

SPS's written responses to OPUC's First Request for Information are attached and incorporated by reference. Each response is stated on or attached to a separate page on which the request has been restated. SPS's responses are made in the spirit of cooperation without waiving SPS's right to contest the admissibility of any of these matters at hearing. In accordance with P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.144(c)(2)(A), each response lists the preparer or person under whose direct supervision the response was prepared and any sponsoring witness. When SPS provides certain information sought by the request while objecting to the provision of other information, it does so without prejudice to its objection in the interests of narrowing discovery disputes under P.U.C. PROC.

R. 22.144(d)(5). As allowed under P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.144(c)(2)(F), SPS stipulates that its responses may be treated by all parties as if they were made under oath.

## **II. INSPECTIONS.**

If responsive documents are more than 100 pages but less than eight linear feet in length, the response will indicate that the attachment is voluminous (“(V)”) and, pursuant to P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.144(h)(2), the exhibit will be made available for inspection at SPS’s voluminous room at 401 Congress Avenue, Suite 2100, Austin, Texas 78701; telephone number (512) 370-2867. Voluminous exhibits will also be provided on CD to any requesting party. Further, SPS will upload all voluminous documents, along with all native files for review to SPS’s Sharepoint website:

<https://collaboration.xcelenergy.com/sps/SPSFinalRateCases/default.aspx>

All parties will be provided a log in id number at time of intervention to access the Sharepoint website.

If a response or the responsive documents are provided pursuant to the protective order in this docket, the response will indicate that it or the attachment is either confidential (“CONF”) or highly Sensitive (“HS”) as appropriate under the protective order. Confidential and Highly Sensitive materials will be served on all parties that have signed and filed the certification under the protective order entered in this docket. Confidential and Highly Sensitive responsive documents will also be made available for inspection at SPS’s voluminous room, unless they form a part of a response that exceeds eight linear feet in length; then they will be available at their usual repository in accordance

with the following paragraph. Please call in advance for an appointment to ensure that there is sufficient space to accommodate your inspection.

If responsive documents exceed eight linear feet in length, the response will indicate that the attachment is subject to the FREIGHT CAR DOCTRINE, and, pursuant to P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.144(h)(3), the attachment will be available for inspection at its usual repository, SPS's offices in Amarillo, Texas, unless otherwise indicated. SPS requests that parties wishing to inspect this material provide at least 48 hour notice of their intent by contacting Ron Moss of Winstead P.C., 401 Congress Avenue, Suite 2100, Austin, Texas 78701; telephone number (512) 370-2867; facsimile transmission number (512) 370-2850; email address rhmoss@winstead.com. Inspections will be scheduled to accommodate all requests with as little inconvenience to the requesting party and to SPS's operations as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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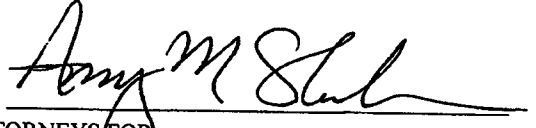
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## RESPONSES

### QUESTION NO. OPUC 1-1:

Referencing page 77 of Janet S. Schmidt-Petree's direct testimony, please explain what is meant by the term "non-support services." Please include in your response specific examples of "non-support service" provided by the Company and indicate whether these services are provided to affiliates, unaffiliated utilities or both.

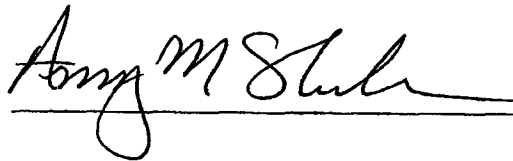
### RESPONSE:

As used on page 77, lines 5-7, of Ms. Schmidt-Petree's direct testimony, the term "non-support services" refers to emergency repair and restoration services that are provided by one Xcel Energy utility affiliate to another Xcel Energy utility affiliate and that differ from regular administrative support services. These services are typically due to unforeseen events such as natural disasters or infrastructure malfunctions. These services also include miscellaneous operation services such as metrology laboratory testing, meter testing, and rubber materials testing. These non-support services are provided only among the Operating Companies.

Preparer: Olga Odell  
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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2014, a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument was served on all parties of record by electronic service and by either hand delivery, Federal Express, regular first class mail, certified mail, or facsimile transmission.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy M. Stuber", is written over a horizontal line.