



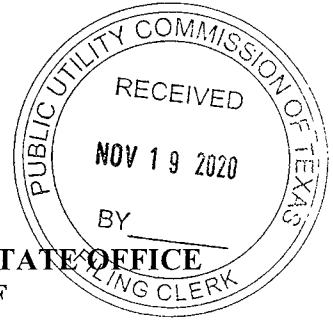
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**APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY FOR § OF
AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

AGREED MOTION TO ADOPT PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) submits this agreed motion to adopt a procedural schedule for this proceeding. Counsel for SWEPCO has conferred with counsel for Commission Staff, the Office of Public Utility Counsel, Texas Industrial Energy Consumers, Cities Advocating Reasonable Deregulation, Texas Cotton Ginners Association, Walmart Inc., and Eastman Chemical Company, and is authorized to state that those parties agree to the adoption of the following agreed procedural schedule and additional provisions related to the conduct of this proceeding:

Event	Date
Filing date	October 14, 2020
45-day case update ¹	November 30, 2020
Intervention deadline	February 10, 2021
Objections to SWEPCO's Direct Testimony	February 12, 2021
Replies to Objections to SWEPCO's Direct Testimony	February 22, 2021
SWEPCO and CARD to File Supplemental Rate-Case Expense Reports ²	April 8, 2021
Deadline for Filing Written Discovery on SWEPCO's Direct Testimony	March 10, 2021
Relate-Back date under PURA § 36.211	March 18, 2021
Intervenor Direct Testimony	March 31, 2021
Staff Direct Testimony	April 7, 2021
Deadline for Filing Written Discovery on Intervenor and Staff Direct Testimony	April 16, 2021
SWEPCO Rebuttal Testimony & Intervenor/Staff Cross-rebuttal	April 23, 2021
Deadline for taking depositions	May 12, 2021

¹ Forty-five days after the filing date is November 28, 2020, which is a weekend day. The deadline rolls to the next Monday in accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.4(a).

² This deadline does not affect SWEPCO or CARD's ongoing duty to supplement discovery responses relating to rate-case expenses.

Deadline for Filing Written Discovery on SWEPCO Rebuttal Testimony & Intervenor/Staff Cross-rebuttal	May 12, 2021
Hearing on the Merits	May 19-28, 2021
Initial Briefs	June 17, 2021
Reply Briefs & Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law	July 1, 2021
Target Proposal for Decision Date (60 days after Reply Briefs)	August 30, 2021
Final Order Deadline ³	October 27, 2021

Additionally, the parties agree that the following provisions should be in effect for this proceeding and request the ALJs adopt the following:

1. Drafts of testimony and emails that include drafts of testimony as attachments are not discoverable.
2. Email service is a valid method of service.
 - a. Email service on SWEPCO shall be made on Stacy Bankston-Pankratz at slbankston@aep.com and aepaustintx@aep.com.
3. Any party serving a document electronically must include the Commission docket number and a description of the document(s) in the subject line of the email transmitting the document.
4. Requests for Information (RFIs) received after 3:00 p.m. are deemed to have been received the following business day.
5. For written discovery on SWEPCO's Application and Direct Testimony:
 - a. Responses to RFIs are due in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules;
 - b. Objections to RFIs on SWEPCO's Application and Direct Testimony that are not based on the assertion of privilege are due in accordance with the Commission's procedural rules;
 - c. Privilege-based objections to RFIs on SWEPCO's Application and Direct Testimony on the date responses to such RFIs are due, and privilege logs are due on the same day; and
 - d. Motions to compel, and responses to motions to compel are due in accordance with the Commission procedural rules.
6. For written discovery on Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony and SWEPCO Rebuttal Testimony:
 - a. Responses to RFIs are due within four working days of receipt of the RFIs;
 - b. Objections to RFIs are due within four working days of receipt of the RFIs;

³ SWEPCO has agreed that the deadline for final Commission action on the rate request is October 27, 2021.

- c. Motions to compel are due within three working days of receipt of the objection; and
 - d. Responses to motions to compel are due within three working days of receipt of the motion to compel.
7. For written discovery on Staff and Intervenor Cross-Rebuttal Testimony:
 - a. Responses to RFIs are due within five working days of receipt of the RFIs;
 - b. Objections to RFIs are due within five working days of receipt of the RFIs;
 - c. Motions to compel are due within four working days of receipt of the objection; and
 - d. Responses to motions to compel are due within four working days of receipt of the motion to compel.
8. Other than for SWEPCO's Direct Testimony, all objections and motions to strike any party's pre-filed direct, cross-rebuttal, and rebuttal testimony are due within seven working days of receipt of the testimony. Responses to all such objections and motions to strike are due within seven calendar days of receipt of the objections.
9. Workpapers to pre-filed Intervenor and Staff direct testimony, Intervenor and Staff cross-rebuttal testimony, and SWEPCO rebuttal testimony are due one working day after the filing of the testimony.
10. The days of November 23-27, 2020, December 23, 2020 - January 1, 2021, will not be counted for any discovery-related deadlines. Any discovery served on those days will be considered received on November 30, 2020, or January 4, 2021, respectively.

SWEPCO respectfully requests that the Administrative Law Judges: (1) adopt the joint proposed procedural schedule set forth above; and (2) adopt the additional agreed-to provisions concerning the conduct of the proceeding.

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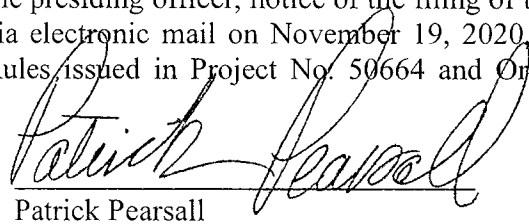
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on November 19, 2020, in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules issued in Project No. 50664 and Order No. 1 in this matter.



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