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Southwestern Public Service Company (“SPS”) files this supplemental response to Commission of Texas Staff’s (“Staff”) Third Request for Information, Question No. 3-40. In accordance with the Commission’s *Order Suspending Rules* entered in Docket No. 50664, SPS has provided notice, by email, to all parties that SPS’s Seventh Supplemental Response to Staff’s Third Request for Information and accompanying exhibits (excluding voluminous and exhibits provided pursuant to the protective order) have been filed with the Commission and are available for download from the Commission’s Interchange website. In addition, SPS has posted SPS’s Seventh Supplemental Response to Staff’s Third Request for Information and all accompanying exhibits (including Voluminous, Confidential and Highly Sensitive exhibits) on SPS’s file sharing platform. SPS’s notice includes a link to SPS’s file sharing platform.

I. WRITTEN SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES

SPS’s written supplemental responses to Staff’s Third 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 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.144(c)(2)(A) (“TAC”), 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 16 TAC § 22.144(d)(5). Pursuant to 16 TAC § 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 16 TAC § 22.144(h)(2), the exhibit will be made available for inspection at SPS’s voluminous room at 600 Congress Avenue, Suite 2000, Austin, Texas 78701; telephone number (512) 721-2700. Voluminous exhibits will also be provided on SPS’s file sharing platform.

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. Access to Confidential and Highly Sensitive materials will be available on SPS’s file sharing platform to 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, Jeffrey Stuart at Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP, 600 Congress Avenue, Suite 2000, Austin, Texas 78701; telephone number (512) 721-2700; facsimile transmission number (512) 721-2656; email address jeffreystuart@eversheds-sutherland.com 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 16 TAC § 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 Mr. Stuart at (512) 721-2700 or jeffreystuart@eversheds-sutherland.com. Inspections will be scheduled to accommodate all requests with as little inconvenience to the requesting party and to SPS's operations as possible.

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Commission Staff's Third Request for Information*

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES

QUESTION NO. STAFF 3-40:

Reference Schedule G-8. Please provide the historical level of outside services expenses in the FERC 900 accounts for the previous five calendar years and the current calendar year to date.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE:

The following supplements and replaces SPS's most recent supplemental response filed on August 30, 2021, with the requested information for the current calendar year through August 2021.

FERC Account	December YTD	December YTD	December YTD	December YTD	December YTD	August YTD
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
901	\$1,764	\$ 1,561	\$ 26	\$ 101	\$ 336	\$ -
902	707,775	655,249	854,537	833,958	985,143	653,212
903	1,850,117	2,488,385	1,255,401	3,029,590	2,569,214	1,867,447
908	281,388	234,484	334,045	184,002	68,643	73,462
910	-	-	6,200	18,538	12,515	27,202
912	903	1,085	232		37,782	11,617
921	3,959,959	2,528,075	2,519,591	2,227,628	1,794,822	385,149
923	9,003,811	10,069,743	10,387,950	7,896,447	6,387,835	5,416,266
928	1,212,005	453,593	1,151,100	1,832,958	1,340,349	493,831
930.2	33,122	40,112	34,060	65,241	45,328	25,856
931	-		174,262	251,492		
Total	\$17,050,843	\$16,472,287	\$16,717,403	\$16,339,955	\$13,241,969	\$8,954,042

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 30th day of September 2021, notice of the filing of the foregoing instrument with the PUCT was served on all parties of record by electronic service and was posted to SPS's file sharing platform.

/s/ Amy M. Shelhamer